

November 17, 2023

Greetings –

This week, the Governor signed into law the Clean Slate Act (S.7551A/A.1029C), which passed the legislature earlier this year. This important criminal justice reform will give millions of New Yorkers the opportunity to seek employment, housing, and educational opportunities so they can improve their lives. Records of individuals with eligible misdemeanor convictions will now be sealed after three years and those with certain felony convictions, after eight years, following their release from incarceration. I was proud to be with Governor Hochul and my colleagues in the State Senate and Assembly for the bill signing at the Brooklyn Museum.



Town Hall on Flood Mitigation

This week I co-hosted a Town Hall on Flood Mitigation organized by Council Member Rita Joseph. Residents got the opportunity to hear from and ask questions of government agencies about the efforts being made to address flooding and how best to protect their homes. You can watch the town hall by clicking here.



In 2022, I sponsored legislation (A.7876A) passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor that requires landlords to include flood risk and flood history in residential leases. This year, I sponsored legislation (A.1967) also passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor, that requires home sellers to disclose flood information to buyers at closing. I will continue to work with my colleagues in government to find ways to mitigate flooding and the harm it causes.

Dyslexia Diagnosis Access Act in the News

The December issue of <u>Scientific American</u> highlighted my bill, the Dyslexia Diagnosis Act (<u>A.2898</u>), which would require private health insurance to pay for neuropsychological exams to diagnose dyslexia. I am glad to see there is a growing consensus on the need for better access to neuropsychological exams. This bill passed the Assembly earlier this year but failed to make it to the floor in the Senate. I will be pushing hard to see this legislation passed in both the Assembly and Senate in 2024.

Thanksgiving Food Distribution with COPO

This morning I joined Council Member Farah Louis and Mohammad Razvi at the Council of Peoples Organization (COPO) annual Thanksgiving Turkey and food distribution. It was a wonderful event that truly captures the spirit of Thanksgiving, with people of all backgrounds coming together to both give and receive.



People in Need, another incredible non-profit on Coney Island Avenue is still accepting items for their Thanksgiving Food Drive until November 20th. See the flyer below for details, and please give if you are able. The drop off is

located at 766 Coney Island Avenue and you can call 347 247 5076 if you have questions.



FOR THE LOCAL IMMIGRANT AND LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

ACCEPTING COLLECTIONS UNTIL NOVEMBER 20, 2023

Requested Food Items:

Turkey(Halal appreciated)

Corn cans

Sweet Potatoes

Stuffing

Cooking Oil

Staples: Beans, Rice

DISTRIBUTION DETAILS

Date: 11/23/2023

Time: 4-5pm

Location: 944 Newkirk Ave,

Brooklyn, NY 11230

Scan to Donate!

Drop-off time: Anytime between 3 pm to 5 pm

Drop-off days: Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday

Drop-off Location: 766 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, NY-11218

PLEASE CALL US AT (347) 247-5076 ATLEAST 15 MINS PRIOR TO REACHING THE LOCATION.



MTA Metro Card Van

The very popular MTA Metro Card Van will be back in the 44th AD, this time in front of the Windsor Terrace Library (160 E. 5th Street) on November 30th between 10am – 2pm. See full details on the flyer below and call or email my office if you have questions.

The MTA MetroCard Van is Coming to the 44th District!

Sponsored by Assemblymember Robert Carroll



Thursday
November 30th
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
160 East 5th Street
Windsor Terrace Library
(between Ft. Hamilton and Caton Avenues)



Services Offered at the Mobile Sales Van:

- Get help with a Reduced-Fare application
- Transfer MetroCard balances (Full fare and Reduced-Fare)
- Exchange a damaged Reduced-Fare MetroCard for a temporary replacement
- Report a lost/stolen Reduced-Fare MetroCard
- Ask our team about any MetroCard-related issues
- Ask about the OMNY Program

If you can't come on November 30th, here is the regular MetroCard Bus/Van Schedule for Brooklyn

LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Sheepshead Bay at 3520 Nostrand Avenue (Between Avenue V & Avenue W)	1st Tuesday	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Starrett City at Pennsylvania Avenue & Twin Pines Drive	1st & 3rd Tuesday	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Coney Island at Neptune Avenue (Between West Fifth Street & Sixth Street)	1st Tuesday	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Flatlands at Kings Plaza Shopping Mall (Avenue U & Flatbush Avenue)	1st & 3rd Tuesday	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Flatlands at 2424 Ralph Avenue (Avenue N & Mill Lane)	1st & 3rd Tuesday	12:30 p.m. –1:30 p.m.
Bensonhurst at 86 Street & Bay Parkway	2nd & 4th Friday	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Bay Ridge at 86 Street & Fourth Avenue	2nd & 4th Friday	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.





Rat Academy

I am co-sponsoring an in-person Rat Academy Training with the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that teaches rat prevention methods for homeowners, tenants, and building staff and superintendents on December 4th at the Brooklyn Public Library at Grand Army Plaza. See details on the flyer below and <u>register here</u>.

Join us for a Rat Academy Training

Sponsored by

New York City Councilmember Crystal Hudson,
New York State Assemblymember Robert Carroll,
North Flatbush BID, Lincoln Civic Block Association and
South Portland Avenue Block Association



Free training for:

- Building superintendents and staff
- Homeowners and tenants
- · Managing companies

Learn about:

Rat prevention methods

Monday, December 4, 2023

5:00pm-7:00pm

Brooklyn Public Library—Central

10 Grand Army Plaza, Business and Career Center, Brooklyn 11238

Please register for this in-person event <u>here</u> or scan the QR code

For more information or to request additional accommodations, contact ratportal@health.nyc.gov

For more information, visit nyc.gov/rats













If you have any concerns about these or any other legislative or community issue please email me at <u>carrollr@nyassembly.gov</u> or call (718) 788-7221.

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