



Assemblyman William Colton

**PROTECTING US
AND OUR COMMUNITY**

Summer 2014

Colton Continuing Fight Against Garbage Station

Assemblyman Colton first alerted the community to the threat of NYC building a dangerous Garbage Transfer Station along the Shore Parkway service road in 2004. The assemblyman has been leading the fight against the plan ever since.

Assemblyman Colton has mobilized neighborhood groups, community leaders, elected officials and residents in rallies and petition drives to stop the plan.

In 2008, he led some one thousand people at a NYS Department of Environmental Protection hearing, exposing the dangers it poses.

In 2012, Colton filed a lawsuit with a number of community environmental organizations and himself as the petitioners. That lawsuit is still proceeding and is now on appeal before the Appellate Division, with Colton as the community's free attorney.

Colton continues to lobby the City and State to stop a plan that threatens to contaminate our waters, poses serious health and safety risks if another hurricane, like Sandy, hits and will create massive traffic congestion.



Assemblyman Colton, Councilmember Treyger, community leaders Nancy Tong and Ari Kagan and hundreds of neighborhood residents at rally against garbage station.

Assemblyman Colton is known as an elected official who will always keep fighting for the neighborhood, no matter how long it will take to win.

Colton Strengthening Neighborhood Schools

As a former NYC teacher, Assemblyman Colton knows the importance of education. He has long been a leader in the fight for equitable funding for NYC school children. This year he led a successful fight to get \$300 million for NYC to implement a universal Pre-Kindergarten program. Also, the state budget provides a \$1.4 billion increase in state school funding over last year, with some \$435 million more for NYC schools. Assemblyman Colton was a leading spokesperson against the failed implementation of the Common Core curriculum leading to the passage of legislation limiting its negative impacts.

Colton Community Office Serving Thousands

The Community Office of Assemblyman Colton located at 155 Kings Highway (between West 12 and West 13 Streets) has served almost 4000 people each year. The dedicated staff helps people with city, state and federal concerns from housing to government benefits to consumer issues to utility related issues to quality of life matters. The office is open Monday thru Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m. and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Reduced-Fare Metrocard Mobile Outreach

MetroCard Mobile Sales Staff will assist those who are eligible:

Seniors 65+ Senior citizens 65 years of age and older can apply for an MTA Reduced Fare MetroCard and can receive a temporary card the same day. Proper proof of age, such as Medicare Card or Drivers License, is required.

People with Disabilities. People with qualifying disabilities without a Medicare Card can also apply. No temporary card will be issued and the applicant must first meet all qualifying criteria. Please note that the application processing may take up to 8 weeks.

Friday, September 19, 2014	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Friday, October 31, 2014	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Friday, November 21, 2014	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Friday, December 19, 2014	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Assemblyman William Colton's Community Office at
155 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, NY 11223 • 718-236-1598

Colton Getting Street Repavings

With State Assemblyman Colton working closely with Councilman Treyger and the NYC Department of Transportation major streets resurfacings are underway. The DOT currently plans to **resurface Bay Parkway from 81st Street to 86th Street** and **most of 86th Street from 14th Avenue to Stillwell Avenue** this summer. Councilman Treyger and Assemblyman Colton are still working with the DOT to have Stillwell Avenue from 86th Street added to the repaving plan. Also included in the Fall repaving schedule are **Kings Highway from 78th Street to McDonald Avenue; Bay 29th Street from 86th Street to Cropsey Avenue; 19th Avenue from 61st Street to 86th Street; 80th Street from Bay Parkway to Stillwell Avenue; and Cropsey Avenue from Bay Parkway to 26th Avenue.** However, DOT cautions residents that minor changes could occur in terms of exact locations or timing.

Colton Cutting Taxes

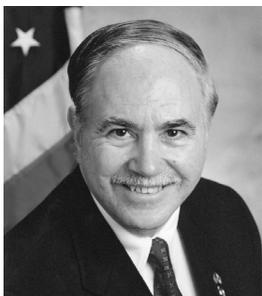
As a member of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, Assemblyman Colton continues his fight to cut taxes. Previously he led successful fight to eliminate sales taxes on clothing under \$110. This year he helped pass the fourth on time State Budget including a new refundable tax credit for homeowners and renters based on ratio of property taxes or rent to their income. Also, he accelerated the phase out of the utility tax surcharge on residents and businesses, saving New Yorkers \$600 million over 3 years. He also helped eliminate the NY estate tax on assets below \$5 million.

Colton Winning Subway Station Renovations

For years Assemblyman Colton has been demanding "N" and "D" subways station improvements with both petitions and letters. Finally, the NYCTA renovated and installed an elevator in the BAY PARKWAY "D" station and repaired "D" line stations from 18th Avenue to Bay 50th Street. Now the NYCTA has announced that long-awaited renovations will begin by the end of this year on deplorable "N" line stations including Bay Parkway, Kings Highway and Avenue U.

Colton Remembering Our Veterans

Assemblyman Colton has always stressed the importance of our veterans in protecting us and being models for improving our neighborhood. This year he supported legislation establishing a 6% participation goal for service-disabled veteran-owned companies in State contracts, making New York a leader in such efforts.



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