



AN UPDATE FROM ASSEMBLYMAN **BILL CONRAD:** BRINGING HOME VICTORIES FOR NORTH TONAWANDA

"Our families have been through a lot in the last few years. I fought for a state budget that bolsters education funding, provides critical relief to working families, prioritizes public safety and much more."

-Assemblyman Bill Conrad

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ASSEMBLYMAN CONRAD IS LOOKING OUT FOR WESTERN NEW YORKERS

Conrad worked tirelessly to secure funding in the 2022-23 budget, delivering critical resources for North Tonawanda schools including:

- **\$30.9 million** in foundation aid, a \$900,000 increase from last year
- **\$45.9 million** in total aid
- **\$706,843** in funding for Universal Pre-K programs

LEGISLATIVE VICTORIES

This session, Conrad introduced and passed legislation that:

- Allows Niagara County to waive certain fees related to improvements for buildings owned by veterans' organizations (A.9183)
- Prevents lottery winnings valued at 25% or more of a school district's adjusted gross income (AGI) from being factored into the aid formula (A.9878)
- Makes it easier for cities and towns to finance sewer construction projects (A.9958)
- Streamlines the funding process for weatherization projects (A.10156)
- Addresses the shortage of truck drivers by extending the time that a commercial learner's permit is valid (A.10219)

Conrad co-sponsored legislation that:

- Requires social media networks to provide and maintain mechanisms for reporting hateful conduct on their platform and holding these companies responsible if they don't (Ch. 204 of 2022)
- Includes all hate crimes as a qualifying offense for determining bail (A.2603)

- Establishes the universal child care act to provide for the establishment and funding of universal child care in the state of New York (A.8623)
- Allows courts to hold a pre-trial community safety and well-being hearing when determining whether a defendant is released before trial (A.9210)

Conrad also introduced legislation that would:

- Protect the atmosphere of youth sports and punish dangerous and unruly behavior by parents and other spectators (A.9840)



BUDGET VICTORIES

Assemblyman Conrad helped pass a 2022-23 state budget that invests in education, supports working families and helps keep our streets safe.

To support working families, Conrad secured:

- **\$7 billion** over three years to expand childcare
- **\$2.2 billion** to create one-year property tax rebate checks for households that are eligible for School Tax Relief (STAR) and Enhanced STAR and have incomes at or below \$250,000

Conrad secured over \$500,000 for local police departments, including:

- **More than \$250,000 to the Town of Tonawanda Police Department** to purchase new squad car equipment
- **\$125,000 to the City of Tonawanda Police Department** for enhancement of its 911 infrastructure
- **\$125,000 to the North Tonawanda Police Department** for upgrades to its SWAT equipment
- **\$73,000 to the Tonawanda City School District** to help fund a full-time school resource officer
- **\$20,000 for the Village of Kenmore Police Department** for body cameras and other essential equipment

Conrad fought for funding for local projects including:

- **\$5 million** for emergency repairs at the North Tonawanda water treatment plant
- **\$1 million** for the redevelopment of the Brighton Recreation Complex in the Town of Tonawanda



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