

March 7, 2025

Greetings -

Pushback on Trump Cuts to Federal Funding

This week, New York State Attorney General Letitia James held a briefing for Assemblymembers and State Senators on actions her office is taking in response to the Trump Administration's unilateral cuts to federal agencies and programs. On Wednesday, a coalition of State Attorneys General including Attorney General James won a temporary restraining order stopping the Trump Administration's cuts to the National Institute of Health, which would have severely compromised scientific research in New York and across the country – SUNY schools were among the institutions that would have been hardest hit. Just yesterday, State Attorneys General also secured another order blocking the Trump Administration's attempt to freeze funding for federal agency grants, loans, and other financial assistance programs. Such a freeze would have a devastating impact on the non-profit sector in New York and a range of vital services.

While the federal government is under court order to dispense funds appropriated by Congress and fulfill its contractual obligations, concern remains that the Trump Administration may find excuses to not comply. If you are aware of an organization that is not receiving federal funds due to Trump Administration actions that are being contested in court and are able to share information regarding such an organization, please fill out the form here. My office will then share with the Office of the Attorney General, who may follow-up to determine if this is in fact a case of non-compliance.

No to Con Ed Rate Hikes; Yes to the NY HEAT Act

Consolidated Edison has filed with the Public Service Commission for a rate hike for 2026. I strongly oppose their proposal and recently joined my colleagues, Con Ed rate payers, and advocates to speak out against it. Energy bills are already too high and Con Ed continues to spend huge sums to repair and build out polluting gas infrastructure. This is why it is all the more imperative that we pass the NY HEAT Act (A.4870), which will help facilitate our transition to green energy while providing a path to stabilize energy costs.



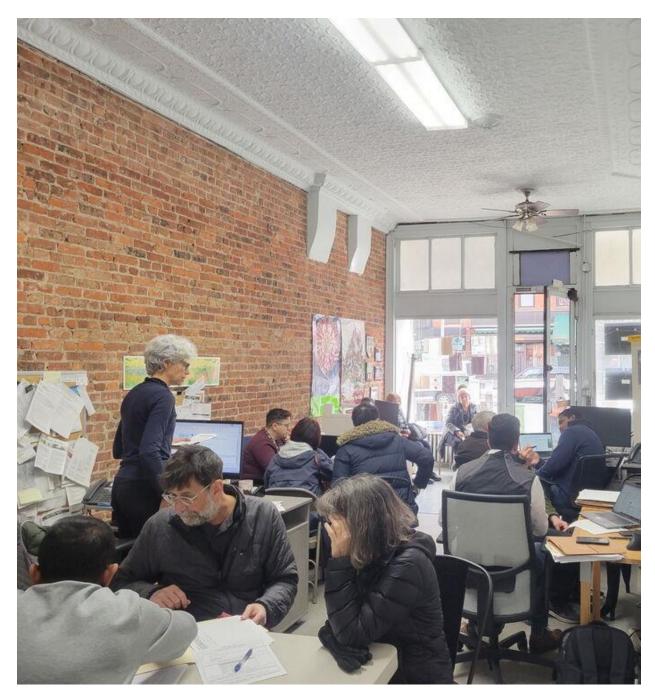
Protecting Consumers and Reducing E-Waste

I recently joined a press conference hosted by the US Public Interest Research Group on their annual release of their report on electronics repair-ability and spoke about my "Repair Scores" bill A.3058, which would require NY to develop a repair score rating system for electronics like smart phones and computers and retailers to prominently display such ratings. Repair scores not only help inform consumers but also can play an important role in protecting human health and the health of the planet by reducing e-waste. You can read more about the issue and my legislation here.

NYC Department of Finance Event a Huge Success

Yesterday, my office hosted representatives from the New York City Department of Finance who offered one-on-one sessions with constituents to discuss everything from

their real estate taxes and NOPV, to coop abatements and SCRIE and DRIE applications, and much more. Dozens of constituents were served and many on the wait list were able to get the in-person help they needed. If you missed this event, and need help with a Department of Finance issue, contact my office and we can assist you in reaching a representative.



Central Brooklyn Job Fair March 18th

Along with neighboring Assemblymember Phara Souffrant-Forrest, I am cosponsoring a Job Fair with the New York State Department of Labor at the Central Library at 10 Grand Army Plaza on March 18th. The event will begin at 10am and you can register here if you would like to attend.

Additionally, Brooklyn Public Library is hosting a Job Fair Readiness Workshop next week:

Virtual Workshop

Tuesday, March 11 | 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM You can register for this workshop here.

District Office Service Event – March 31st

On Monday, March 31st, my district office at 416 7th Avenue will host three service providers for my constituents: the MetroCard Van for all your MetroCard related issues including reduced fare applications and card transfers from 10am-2pm, NYPD's crime prevention officers for tips on how to keep you and your property safe as the warm weather approaches from 10am-2pm, and the New York State Comptroller's office's Unclaimed Funds team will be available to check to see if you're eligible to apply for a claim to get your money back from 10am-12:30pm. See the flyer below for more information:

SAVE THE DATE



- MTA METROCARD VAN
- NYPD CRIME PREVENTION UNIT
- UNCLAIMED FUNDS

Sponsored by Assemblymember Robert Carroll

All services will be provided on the sidewalk in front of my district office at 416 7th Avenue (between 13th and 14th St)



MTA METROCARD VAN From 10am to 2pm

Get assistance with all your MetroCard related issues including reduced fare MetroCard applications; transferring balances; lost, stolen or damaged cards; questions about OMNY and more.



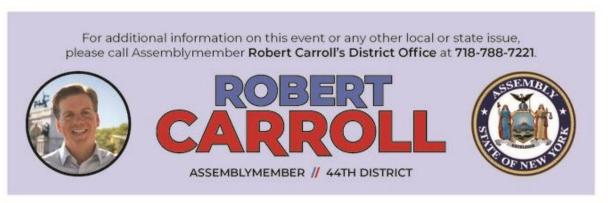
NYPD CRIME PREVENTION UNIT From 10am to 2pm

Meet the Crime Prevention
Officers from the 72nd and 78th
Precincts and hear how you can
better safeguard your property
and ensure your personal safety
and security as warmer weather
approaches.



UNCLAIMED FUNDS WITH THE NYS COMPTROLLER From 10am to 12:30pm

Learn about the types of funds that are held by the NYS Comptroller and see if you're eligible to file a claim to get your money back.



Annual Spring Clean and Green May 4th -Save the Date!

My annual Spring Clean and Green event in Prospect Park is scheduled for Sunday, May 4th from 10am-2pm. All the services you rely on will be there: E-waste collection, Shredding, Textile Recycling, along with new services, giveaways and

information from city agencies and local institutions. Mark your calendars for this highly anticipated event and, as always, contact my office for more details.

If you have any concerns about any legislative or community issue, please email me at carrollr@nyassembly.gov or call (718) 788-7221.

-Bobby

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