# **NEWSLETTER**



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### The Bores Brief

Only have minutes to spare? Here's what you need to know:

- The New York State budget has officially passed! This year's budget includes key investments in housing, public safety, education, and mental health. You can find more details on what's included on the next page.
- Justice Center for a walkthrough with their Community First Outreach Program. The program has been successful in getting our unhoused neighbors off the street and ensuring they have access to the resources to get them on their feet. During my visit we met individuals who have benefited from the program. I am exploring ways we could bring this or a similar program to the 73rd District.
- I joined veterans and advocates outside the Margaret Cochran Corbin 23rd St VA hospital to highlight the impact of proposed federal cuts on veterans' care. As a grandson of a veteran, I know that we must keep our sacred promise of care to them.

My office is here to serve you. If we can ever be of assistance, write to us at BoresA@contactme.nyassembly.gov.

Sincerely,

Alex Bores Your Assemblymember

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#### **PASSING LEGISLATION**

A1191: Alex's bill to study the viability of personalized "smart guns" recently passed the Assembly with bipartisan support. These guns, which only fire for authorized users, could reduce accidents in the home, cut down on gun trafficking, and significantly improve safety for civilians and law enforcement.

**A3986:** Assemblymember Bores recently passed a bill to reduce patient costs and protect small health care providers. The bill bans insurance companies from insisting on reimbursing insurers using virtual credit cards, whose costs can reach as high as 5%. The law ensures providers receive full payments without added costs.



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#### IN THE COMMUNITY



Assemblymember Bores joined neighbors across the district to celebrate "It's My Park" Day—a citywide effort to care for and beautify our green spaces. He visited Sutton Place Park, Peter Detmold Park, Rupert Park, and Glick Park, pitching in on cleanup and maintenance alongside dedicated local volunteers.







Congratulations to the Sutton Place Parks Conservancy on 10 years of service! Their work has revitalized Sutton Place's waterfront parks with new landscaping, seating, and community programming. Assemblymember Bores joined neighbors in celebrating this milestone.

With street fair season in full swing,
Assemblymember Bores has loved
connecting with neighbors throughout the
district. Stop by our table this summer to
say hello and share your ideas—many of
Alex's bills start with conversations just like
these!



#### **BUDGET BREAKDOWN**

This month, New York passed a budget to improve public safety and help make New York affordable.



#### Major Tax Relief for Working Families

- New York cut taxes for over 75% of families statewide.
- Once fully phased in, the new rate will bring middleclass taxes to their lowest level in 70 years.
- A substantial child tax credit was introduced benefiting over 1.5 million families and doubling the average tax break to nearly \$1,000 annually.



#### Fully Funded MTA Capital Plan

- The five-year plan includes major infrastructure repairs such as work under Grand Central and the Park Avenue Viaduct.
- Includes improvements to ADA accessibility throughout the district and the Q line extension.



# Nearly \$50 Million for Local Schools & Community Programs

- Alex secured nearly \$50 million in funding for district organizations, including \$43 million for local schools.
- Funding will support services like free cancer screenings, essential school programs, and more.



# Fertility Preservation for Cancer Patients Now Covered by Medicaid

- Alex's bill passed into law through the state budget, expanding Medicaid to cover fertility preservation treatments for those at risk of iatrogenic infertility.
- This ensures low-income New Yorkers won't have to choose between life-saving care and the ability to start a family.



#### Bell-to-Bell Cell Phone Ban in Schools

 New legislation bans student phone use from the opening to closing bell, helping students stay focused and get the most out of their education.



#### Free School Meals for All Students

 New York guaranteed free meals in all public schools, helping address childhood hunger and ensure every student is nourished and ready to learn.



#### Launch of the BABY Benefit Program

- New York leads the nation with a new \$1,800 stimulus for low-income families upon the birth of a child.
- Paired with funding to provide baby essentials to 100,000 families, the program supports early childhood development from day one.

#### **RALLY FOR JUSTICE**



Assemblymember Alex Bores and Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal recently gathered with civic and legal leaders at the Capitol to advocate for their Uncap Justice Act—a constitutional amendment they have introduced to remove outdated limits on the number of State Supreme Court Justices. The bill aims to reduce court backlogs and ensure fairer, faster access to justice for all New Yorkers.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Lenox Hill Neighborhood House 1st Avenue Festival

Saturday, May 31, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM First Avenue between E 68 St and E 79 St



#### **Community Board 8 Art Show**

Saturday, May 31, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM E 91 St and Third Ave



Red, White, and Blue Street Fair Friday, June 6, 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM E 84 St between Park Ave and Madison Ave



#### **DSNY Compost Giveback Event**

Tuesday, June 10, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Sutton Place Parks, 501 E 56 St To Register: <u>bit.ly/SPCompost</u>



#### **Museum Mile Festival 2025**

Tuesday, June 10, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Fifth Avenue between E 82 St and E 110 St For more Information: bit.ly/MMile2025

#### **Turtle Bay Street Fair**

Saturday, June 14, 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM Lexington Ave between E 42 St and E 54 St



Tuesday Movie Matinee: Vengeance Tuesday, June 17, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

NYLAG Legal Services at

Assemblymember Bores' District Office

Monday, June 23, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

353 Lexington Ave To make an appointment, call: 212.605.0937

#### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT: ASSEMBLYMEMBER BORES IN THE PRESS



### Capitol Pressroom: bit.ly/CPRBores

Lifting the Cap on State Supreme Court Judges



News 10: <u>bit.ly/ABAI25</u> NY Lawmakers push Al Safety Bill



## Bloomberg Government: bit.ly/ShapeAl

Three State Lawmakers Shaping Tech, Al Rules as Congress Dawdles



#### Harlem World Magazine:

The Bold Push To Break Court Backlogs: Inside The Uncap Justice Act Movement