

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Dr. King dedicated his life to unifying people of all backgrounds and actualizing his dream of a nation where people thrived together in spite of their differences. Every year since 1983, the third Monday in January has been recognized as a federal holiday to commemorate his life, legacy and accomplishments. Dr. King was instrumental in the most impactful nonviolent civil rights demonstrations in our nation's history.

I am proud to announce \$1.5 Million funding to Simon Wiesenthal Center's Mobile Museum of Tolerance. The funds are for a state-of-the-art mobile education center to utilize innovative technology and interactive lessons. This investment will ensure that generations to come will learn important history including the impactful Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s actions.

The eviction moratorium ends on Saturday and I have written to Governor Kathy Hochul to urge her to act on behalf of housing insecure New Yorkers and extend the eviction moratorium. As a cosponsor of the "good cause eviction" bill I urged her support of the legislation to provide additional safeguards against displacement during these unprecedented times.

On Thursday, our office hosted our 7th booster clinic at the Roosevelt Island Senior Center. We also held a rapid test and N95 giveaway for community members. Over 300 constituents received a testing kit and PPE package.

Roosevelt Island Red Bus and Tram will now appear on Google Maps thanks to the work of District Leader Alex Bores who I connected with Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation to make getting to and around Roosevelt Island easier.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to our community office if we can be of assistance.

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Q Seau

Seawright Urges Governor Hochul to Extend Eviction Moratorium & Support Good Cause Eviction Bill



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The Honorable Kathy Hochul Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

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Any eviction crisis will lead to community wide trauma, especially in Black, Latino, Asian, and Indigenous households. Data collected from the Census Bureau Household Pulse Survey shows that these demographics are at heightened risk of eviction without an eviction monatorium.

Thank you for your leadership and for your attention to this serious matter during thi orgoing public health crisis and for doing everything in your power to prevent th lisplacement of thousands of families.

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Seawright Hosts 7th COVID-19 Moderna Booster Clinic At The Roosevelt Island Senior Center

Homebound Roosevelt Islanders Received Booster Shot Of Protection



Senior Center Director LIsa Fernandez (yellow sweater) and Wendy Hersh (seated and receiving her booster) with the Zeel vaccination team.

Distributes Over 300 Testing Kits At Thursday Giveaway At District Office & Roosevelt Island



Constituent Alex Bores Teamed Up With Assembly Member Seawright and RIOC To Make Tram and Red Busses Integration With Google Maps A Reality



The Roosevelt Island Tram and Red Busses (including Octagon Express) are now in testing on Google Maps. Residents and visitors can look up transit directions the same way they look up the subway.

"Roosevelt Islanders rely on the tram and Red Bus to transverse the City. I am pleased to have been a part of getting these critical transportation options integrated into google maps. I commend our local district leader Alex Bores for working with RIOC to make this integration possible for Roosevelt Islanders and visitors to travel with ease," Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

Google integrates around 120,000 different transit systems worldwide. This includes many different transportation sources around Roosevelt Island, including the subway, the Hornblower ferries, and Citi Bikes, but until now, did not include the tram or busses.

The initiative was spearheaded by Alex Bores, a former resident of Roosevelt Island and a District Leader representing the 76th Assembly District. "I noticed the tram was not on Google Maps when a friend tried to visit me. When he saw that Google's directions did not suggest the tram, he assumed it wasn't running," said District Leader Bores.

He teamed up with Assembly Member Seawright and RIOC to accurately represent the schedule, and then coded it into the technical format that Google and other map providers use to show schedules.

NYS Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright Announces \$1.5 Million funding to Simon Wiesenthal Center's Mobile Museum of Tolerance



"The Mobile Museum of Tolerance is a traveling source of information to teach tolerance and the perniciousness of hate," said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, the sponsor of legislation requiring counseling for persons convicted of hate crimes. "I commend Speaker Carl Heastie for his leadership in prioritizing Holocaust education and tolerance, and Ways and Means Chair Helene Weinstein for her support. Michael Cohen, the Eastern Director of The Simon Wiesenthal Center, is working diligently to keep the history and the lessons of the Holocaust alive with interactive exhibits that will now be available for the benefit of neighborhoods throughout the metropolitan area and beyond. I look forward to the van visiting the Upper East Side, Yorkville and Roosevelt Island." said NYS Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

This state-of-the-art mobile education center will utilize innovative technology and interactive lessons becoming a critical expansion of the Simon Wiesenthal Center's educational resources in New York State. The MMOT will allow easy access for tens of thousands of students, educators, law enforcement agencies, faith groups and professionals to critical educational training on issues such as anti- Semitism, racism, bullying, stereotyping, hate and intolerance and to promote diversity and human dignity.

The NYS MMOT will represent the third such initiative for SWC who currently operate highly successful Mobile Tolerance Museums in Illinois and Canada. Since its launch, Tour for Humanity Mobile Tolerance Center has educated over 150,000 students at 750 schools and communities across Canada. MMOT in Illinois, launched in February 2021, has educated almost 4,000 students in person and 2,000 students virtually.

Insurance To Cover The Costs of At-Home COVID-19 Tests Starting Saturday, Jan. 15

At-home COVID-19 tests must now be paid for by insurance companies without copays or deductibles. COVID-19 D: COVID-19 CO

New Yorkers are now able to receive free at-home COVID-19 tests! Insurance companies and group health plans will cover the cost of eight over-the-counter at-home COVID-19 tests per person each month. Getting tested when necessary is crucial to protect yourself and others. Click here for more info:

https://www.cms.gov/how-to-get-your-at-home-OTC-COVID-19-test-for-free



NEW YORK STATE HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND (NYSHAF)

UP TO \$50,000 IN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO QUALIFYING CONDO AND COOP OWNERS!

APPLY NOW WHILE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE!

Call: 1-844-776-9423 or Visit: nyhomeownerfund.org

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Affordable Connectivity Program Is Live

Need help getting connected?

The Affordable Connectivity Program can help eligible households receive:

Up to a \$30 per month discount on internet service

A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet or desktop computer The federal Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) helps income-eligible households pay for internet service and devices. It's replacing the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) and families currently enrolled in EBB will receive info on how to transition to the new program. To apply or learn more, visit: <u>www.acpbenefit.org</u>.

Pick Up Your N95 Mask At The Next Thursday No-Cost PPE Giveaway



NO-COST THURSDAY **PPE** GIVEAWAY





12:00PM-2:00PM

COMMUNITY OFFICE 1485 YORK AVENUE (78/79 STREETS)

212-288-4607

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RSVP Here

Get Tested For COVID-19

Rapid Testing Sites

St. Catherine's Park

(Rapid antigen testing only) Intersection of 68th Street & 1st Avenue New York, NY 10065 Dates: January 10 - 16 Monday - Sunday, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Testing site is currently only testing people 2 years and older.

Manhattan Health + Hospitals Sites

Ongoing sites- Metropolitan Hospital, 1901 First Avenue, New York, NY 10029 Monday- Saturday, 9am- 3:30pm 212-423-6262

Northwell Health-GoHealth Urgent Care

1555 First Avenue 8am-8pm 212-897-1995

Total Health & Wellness Medical Center

1632 1st Avenue 917-634-6063

CityMD Urgent Care- East 86th

336 East 86th Street 212-933-1364

Non-rapid Testing

CityMD Urgent Care-East 79 Street 1143 Lexington Avenue

8am-8pm 646-350-4815

Lenox Hill Hospital 100 East 77 Street 212-434-2000

For more information: <u>https://www1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/get-tested/covid-19-testing.page</u>

Vaccines and booster shots:

NYC COVID-19 and Flu Vaccine Finder: Call 877-829-4692 or schedule here

City-run vaccine sites: Call 877-829-4692 or schedule here

State-run vaccine sites: Call 833-697-4829 or schedule here

CVS Pharmacy: Call 800-746-7287 or schedule here

Rite Aid Pharmacy: Call 800-748-3243 or schedule here

Walgreens Pharmacy: Call 800-925-4733 or schedule here

Testing is available to all New Yorkers statewide, *find a test site near you*.

Excelsior Pass provides a free, fast and secure way to present *digital proof of COVID-19* vaccination or negative test results.

In-home COVID-19 vaccinations

NYC also offers in-home COVID-19 vaccinations to any city resident who requests one. Schedule your appointment today for your in-home vaccination by filling out this

form: *http://nyc.gov/homevaccine*.

COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card or need verification

If you are fully vaccinated but lost your COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card or need verification of your vaccine status, you can request a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record. Go here for more information: https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/cir-parents-guardians.page

To schedule free transport by either ambulette or taxi (including wheelchair accessible vehicles), call 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692). This services is available for everyone but if you are younger than 18, you must have your parent or guardian call to book the trip on your behalf.

ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA SEAWRIGHT INTERNSHIP **OPPORTUNITY**

OUR OFFICE IS SEEKING STUDENTS INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE FOR AN INTERNSHIP IN OUR DISTRICT OFFICE.

THE POSITION PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH.

WE ACCEPT INTERNS ON A ROLLING BASIS UNTIL ALL POSITIONS ARE FILLED. PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CALL OUR OFFICE WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

SUBMIT YOUR RESUME AND COVER LETTER TO THE OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER SCAN TO APPLY REBECCA SEAWRIGHT PHONE: 212.288.4607 EMAIL: SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV



APPLY HERE FOR OUR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



sanitation

NYC Sanitation Offers Weekend Operational Update, Including Plans for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday

The New York City Department of Sanitation is sharing our plans for the holiday weekend, which may include snow/winter precipitation.

Snow watch: The forecast is still changing a bit, but we are monitoring closely and preparing for snow. Spreaders & plows will be ready.

Collection: Trash, recycling, compost and tree collection is ongoing Friday and Saturday. We plan to transition to snow operation Sunday, and continue that work Monday. Remember Monday is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a holiday, and no regular collection was planned.

We especially want to thank all our Sanitation Workers who will be working on Monday, dedicated to keeping the City healthy, safe and clean. The connection between Dr. King and sanitation work is not lost on us, and we want to recognize them for their work on this day.



