



SEAWRIGHT NO-COST PAPER SHREDDING

WED. JUNE 24
9am - 12pm @ 79/YORK
In front of Chase Bank



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As a longtime advocate for equal rights and the sponsor of New York's Equal Rights Amendment, I remain committed to protecting the rights of LGBTQ+ individuals and advancing policies that promote inclusion, fairness, and respect for all. I proudly supported several measures advancing protections for LGBTQ+ New Yorkers and their families, including the PRIDE Care Act, inclusive updates to family law, stronger health privacy protections, and the Freedom to Read Act. These important measures help ensure that every New Yorker is treated with dignity, respect, and equality under the law. This Pride Month, let us celebrate our diversity, stand together against hate and discrimination, and continue working toward a more just and equitable future.

I encourage all eligible voters to participate in the upcoming Primary Election on Tuesday, June 23. Early Voting is taking place now through Sunday, and polls will be open from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM on Election Day. Before casting your ballot, I encourage you to confirm your polling location, review your sample ballot, and learn more about the candidates running for office. For more information and voter resources, please visit [NYCVotes.org](https://nycvotes.org).

I recently submitted written testimony to the New York City Rent Guidelines Board opposing excessive rent increases for rent-stabilized tenants. At a time when many New Yorkers are concerned about housing security and the ability to remain in their neighborhoods, I remain committed to protecting affordable housing and ensuring that residents can continue to call their communities home.

As consumers increasingly navigate a marketplace shaped by data collection and artificial intelligence, I was proud to support legislation that would prohibit the use of surveillance pricing, a practice that allows companies to use personal data to set individualized prices. New Yorkers should not pay more for the same product or service simply because of information collected about them online. This legislation advances transparency, fairness, and consumer protections in the digital age.

Additionally, I was proud to support the expansion of SUNY and CUNY Reconnect, which helps adult learners return to college and complete their degrees or credentials. These programs open doors to new career opportunities while strengthening New York's workforce and economy.

As a reminder our district office is closed on Friday, June 19, in observance of the legal federal holiday Juneteenth.

I invite you to join us at our upcoming events:

- Wednesday, June 24, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - **No-Cost Community Shredding Event** at 1495 York Avenue on the Northwest corner of York Avenue and 79th St.
- Tuesday, June 30, 3:30 pm – **No-Cost Housing Legal Clinic** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). By appointment only. Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to schedule.
- Wednesday, July 1, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm – **MTA OMNY Service Bus** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). Ask questions or refill your OMNY account.
- Wednesday, July 1, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm – **Benefits Screening with LiveOn NY** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). By appointment only. Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to schedule.

Our office is always just a phone call, email, or visit away.

Phone: 212-288-4607

Email: SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Rebecca A. Seawright". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rebecca" and last name "Seawright" clearly legible.

REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT



**Our district community office will be
closed in observation of
JUNETEENTH
Friday, June 19
for a legal federal government holiday.**

**We will re-open on
Monday, June 22 at 10 am.**

**OFFICE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER
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**Assembly Member Seawright Provides Public Safety Update at
19th Precinct Community Council**



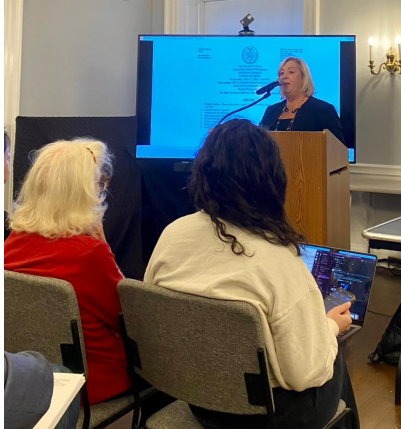
Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright joined neighbors and community leaders at the 19th Precinct Community Council meeting to share updates from the recently concluded legislative session in Albany. During her remarks, she highlighted the passage of Francesco's Law, which strengthens firearm safe-storage requirements, as well as new state measures to combat ghost guns, illegal firearm conversion devices, silencers, and the distribution of 3D-printed gun manufacturing files. She also discussed new restrictions on the unlawful use of drones near sensitive locations and large public gatherings, reaffirming her commitment to ensuring that every New Yorker feels safe in their home, on their block, and throughout their neighborhood.



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright with 19th Precinct Community Council President Nick Viest following the Council's monthly meeting, where she shared updates on public safety initiatives passed during the 2026 legislative session.

Assembly Member Seawright Addresses Community Board 8

Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright was pleased to attend the June meeting of Community Board 8, where she provided an update on key legislative and budget accomplishments from the recently concluded session in Albany. During her remarks, she highlighted the successful expansion of the SCRIE and DRIE rent freeze programs, increasing the income eligibility threshold from \$50,000 to \$75,000 for the first time in more than a decade. She also discussed her testimony before the New York City Rent



Guidelines Board advocating for a rent freeze for rent-stabilized tenants, legislation she sponsored to protect older adults from financial exploitation, and investments in programs that support aging in place. Assembly Member Seawright also updated the Board on the inaugural meeting of the Roosevelt Island Steam Plant Community Advisory Group, which her office helped organize in partnership with Senator Liz Krueger, Council Member Julie Menin, and Congressman Jerry Nadler to ensure community engagement and transparency throughout the planning process.

Seawright Holds Animal Adoption Event with Animal Care Centers in Carl Schurz Park



Our office was delighted to partner with the Animal Care Centers of NYC (ACC) to host a Mobile Adoption Event at Carl Schurz Park. Families, animal lovers, and prospective pet owners had the opportunity to meet wonderful dogs and cats seeking loving homes while learning more about adoption, fostering, and responsible pet ownership.

Events like this help connect deserving animals with caring families and support ACC's lifesaving mission. Thank you to ACC's dedicated staff and volunteers, everyone who attended, and all those who continue to open their hearts and homes to animals in need. Together, we are helping more pets find the safe, loving homes they deserve.



[Click here to view adoptable animals through ACC](#)

[Volunteer for ACC](#)



Honoring Valedictorian Naya Trost and Salutatorian Mac DiPaola at Eleanor Roosevelt High School Graduation



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright joined students, families, faculty, and staff at Eleanor Roosevelt High School's Graduation Ceremony to celebrate the accomplishments of the Class of 2026. During the ceremony, Assembly Member Seawright had the honor of participating in the hooding of Salutatorian Mac DiPaola and Valedictorian Naya Trost, recognizing their exceptional academic achievements, leadership, and dedication. She congratulated the entire graduating class on reaching this important milestone and wished them continued success as they pursue their future educational and professional goals.

Protecting Rent-Stabilized Tenants: Assembly Member Seawright Calls for a Rent Freeze



Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright submitted testimony to the New York City Rent Guidelines Board urging the adoption of a rent freeze for rent-stabilized tenants and opposing proposed rent increases for the 2026-27 lease cycle.

In her testimony, Assembly Member Seawright highlighted the growing

affordability crisis facing New Yorkers, particularly older adults, people with disabilities, working families, immigrants, and residents living on fixed incomes. She noted that rents continue to rise while many households struggle with increasing costs for food, utilities, healthcare, and other necessities.

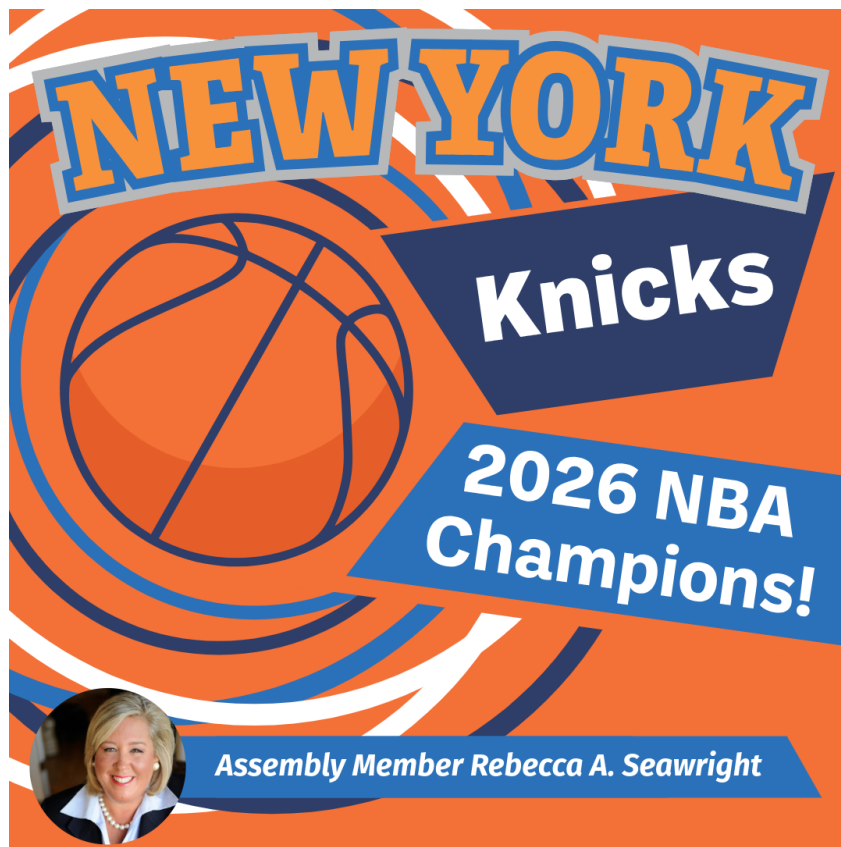
The Assembly Member also pointed to the loss of rent-stabilized housing across New York City, the persistence of vacant rent-regulated apartments, and the importance of preserving affordable housing opportunities for middle- and low-income New Yorkers. She argued that a rent freeze would provide meaningful relief to tenants and help prevent further displacement amid ongoing economic uncertainty.

"New Yorkers should not have to choose between keeping a roof over their heads, putting food on the table, or paying their utility bills," Assembly Member Seawright stated in her testimony. She urged the Rent Guidelines Board to ease financial burdens on tenants and protect one of the city's most important sources of affordable housing.

Assembly Member Seawright remains committed to fighting for housing affordability and protecting rent-stabilized tenants throughout the Upper East Side, Yorkville, Roosevelt Island, and communities across New York City.

The final NYC Rent Guidelines Board (RGB) vote is scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. It will take place in person at El Museo del Barrio located at 1230 5th Avenue at 104th Street, New York, NY 10029, with livestreaming available on the [RGB's YouTube channel](#). The Board will vote on proposed lease adjustments ranging from 0% to 2% for one-year leases and 0% to 4% for two-year leases.

Congratulations, Knicks!



What a day for New York! Thousands of fans lined the Canyon of Heroes to celebrate the New York Knicks' 2026 NBA Championship and honor a team that brought excitement, pride, and a championship title back to our city.

Congratulations to the players, coaches, staff, and loyal fans who supported the team throughout this remarkable season. The championship parade was a fitting tribute to an unforgettable achievement and a reminder of how sports can bring New Yorkers together in celebration.

Celebrating Pride Month



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright has long been a champion for equality and inclusion, including her leadership in advancing New York's Equal Rights Amendment, which protects against discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. This Pride Month, she joins communities throughout the Upper East Side, Yorkville, and Roosevelt Island in celebrating the diversity that strengthens our neighborhoods and recommitting to the ongoing work of securing equality for all.

This year, the New York State Legislature continued New York's longstanding leadership in protecting LGBTQ+ rights by passing legislation that strengthens support for LGBTQ+ individuals and families. Among the measures approved were the PRIDE Care Act, which expands anti-discrimination protections in home care and long-term care settings and requires training to ensure respectful treatment of LGBTQ+ individuals; legislation updating family law with gender-inclusive language to better recognize and support diverse family structures; strengthened health information privacy protections for

individuals seeking sensitive healthcare services; and the Freedom to Read Act, which protects access to diverse educational materials and literature. The Legislature also supported funding for LGBTQ+ crisis intervention services, including a 24-hour hotline and resources for individuals experiencing emotional distress or mental health crises.

Happy Pride Month!

Protecting Consumers from Surveillance Pricing



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright proudly co-sponsored and strongly supported legislation to protect New Yorkers from surveillance pricing, a growing practice in which companies use personal data—such as browsing history, location, and purchasing behavior—to charge different consumers different prices for the same goods or services.

The Assembly passed the One Fair Price Act (A.9349-B), which prohibits businesses from using personal data and algorithmic systems to engage in discriminatory pricing practices. The legislation also requires transparency when automated pricing systems are used.

Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Aging said: ***"No New Yorker should pay more for groceries, household essentials, or everyday purchases because a corporation has collected personal information about them. Surveillance pricing allows companies to use a consumer's data to maximize profits at the expense of fairness and transparency. This practice is particularly concerning for older adults and individuals on fixed incomes, who deserve protection from discriminatory pricing tactics. I was proud to co-sponsor this legislation and applaud Attorney General Letitia James for championing this effort. I urge Governor Hochul to sign this bill into law and ensure that New Yorkers are treated fairly in the marketplace."***

The legislation now moves forward as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen consumer protections and prevent the misuse of personal data.

STAR Tax Relief Checks Are on the Way

Nearly 3 million New Yorkers will receive more than \$2 billion in property tax relief this summer and fall through New York State's STAR (School Tax Relief) program. Most eligible homeowners will receive between \$350 and \$600, while most Enhanced STAR recipients—older adults with qualifying incomes—will receive between \$700 and \$1,500 in relief. Checks are already being mailed and will continue to be distributed throughout the summer and fall.

Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Aging, strongly supported continued funding for the STAR program in this year's State Budget. ***"With affordability remaining a top concern for New Yorkers, the STAR tax credit provides critical relief for homeowners and older adults facing rising costs. For many seniors living on fixed incomes, this assistance helps make it possible to remain in their homes and communities. I commend Governor Hochul for continuing to prioritize programs that put money back into the pockets of***

**OVER \$2 BILLION
IN TAX RELIEF**

**THIS SUMMER
AND FALL**

**FOR NEARLY 3 MILLION
NEW YORKERS**

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GOVERNOR KATHY HOCHUL



***hardworking New Yorkers and support
aging in place.*** — Assembly Member
Rebecca A. Seawright

Recipients can visit the STAR website to track check delivery, enroll in direct deposit, and learn more about eligibility requirements.

Expanding Access to Free Community College Through SUNY Reconnect and CUNY Reconnect



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright proudly supported the expansion of SUNY Reconnect and CUNY Reconnect in the 2026-27 New York State Budget, helping more New Yorkers gain access to tuition-free pathways to high-demand careers.

The expanded program provides eligible adults ages 25-55 with free tuition, fees, books, and supplies to

pursue associate degrees in fields critical to New York's workforce, including nursing, cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, engineering, advanced manufacturing, green energy, and education.

This year's budget broadens eligibility by adding new fields of study, including supply chain and logistics, air traffic control and aviation management, and emergency management. The expansion also allows students to pursue eligible associate degree programs at additional SUNY and CUNY campuses.

Since launching in 2025, SUNY Reconnect and CUNY Reconnect have helped more than 12,000 adult learners return to school and prepare for rewarding careers in industries facing workforce shortages.

Assembly Member Seawright remains committed to expanding educational opportunity, strengthening New York's workforce, and ensuring that cost is never a barrier to higher education and economic mobility.

To learn more about eligibility and participating campuses, visit the SUNY Reconnect and CUNY Reconnect websites.



SPOTLIGHT ON AGING:



New York State Supports Home Safety and Fall Prevention

Health Advocates for Older People is pleased to announce that we have received New York State funding to support the continued delivery of our Home Safety and Fall Prevention Initiative, helping New Yorkers age safely in their homes and communities.

We are especially grateful to Assemblymember Alex Bores, Assemblymember Rebecca Seawright, and Senator Liz Krueger for securing this important funding. Their leadership will help hundreds of New Yorkers age 60+ continue to receive these services which are always free of charge.

Falls are the leading cause of injury among older adults, yet many can be prevented. Through this initiative, Health Advocates provides:

- Home safety education with practical tips to reduce fall risks.
- Individual in-home safety consultations with personalized recommendations.
- An Equipment Exchange offering gently used walkers, canes, grab bars, and other mobility and safety aids.
- Weekly wellness classes, including Chair Yoga, Tai Chi, and Strength & Tone, that improve balance, strength, and flexibility.

These services address a growing need. Most older adults want to remain in their own homes as they age, yet more than one in four older New Yorkers experiences a fall each year. Through education, home modifications, exercise, and access to appropriate equipment, many of these falls can be prevented.

We are proud to partner with community organizations throughout Manhattan to help older adults age safely in place and are deeply appreciative of Assemblymembers Bores and Seawright and Senator Krueger for making this investment possible.

If you or someone you know could benefit from a home safety consultation, wellness classes, or mobility equipment, we'd love to hear from you at info@hafop.org.



Health Advocates for Older People promotes safe and healthy aging for New Yorkers. Programs are supported by generous donations from individuals, foundations, and government agencies. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Health Advocates for Older People

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Consider Our Office Your Resource

Vote in the June 23 Primary Election



Your voice matters! The Primary Election will take place on Tuesday, June 23, and we encourage all eligible voters to make a plan to cast their ballot.

Early Voting is underway now and continues through Sunday, June 21. On Election Day, polling locations will be open from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

Before you vote, be sure to:

- Find your [Early Voting or Election Day polling location](#)
- View a [sample ballot specific to your address](#)
- Learn more about the [candidates appearing on your ballot](#)

For election information, voter resources, and polling site details, visit [NYCVotes.org](https://nycvotes.org). Every election is an opportunity to make your voice heard and help shape the future of our communities. We encourage all eligible voters to participate.

[Check your registration status here.](#)

[Find your polling place here.](#)

[Request an early mail or absentee ballot here.](#)

Protect Your Summer EBT Benefits

Families receiving Summer EBT benefits are encouraged to reset their EBT card PIN immediately to help protect against benefit theft.

Summer EBT provides eligible low-income families with school-aged children a \$120 grocery benefit during the summer months when school meals may not be available. This year, New York State is preparing to distribute approximately \$75 million in Summer EBT benefits to more than 600,000 New York City families.

State officials have received reports of benefit theft in other states and are urging recipients to take preventive action by calling the number on the back of their EBT card and selecting a new PIN. Households may also receive a text message reminder from the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.

For assistance with Summer EBT benefits or other food assistance programs, please contact our office.

Cool tips for hot days

-  Stay hydrated and avoid strenuous outdoor activity
-  Keep kids and pets out of hot cars
-  Know the symptoms of heat-related illness

Extreme heat can be dangerous and even deadly. Protect yourself by staying hydrated, avoiding strenuous outdoor activity, and spending time in air-conditioned spaces. Don't forget to check on family, friends and neighbors. For more tips on dealing with extreme heat, visit: www.health.ny.gov/environmental/emergency/weather/hot/



IT'S HOT OUTSIDE!

**The Office of Assembly Member Seawright
is a designated**

COOLING CENTER

1485 York Ave (79th St)

Open 9:30am - 5:30pm

COME COOL DOWN, HYDRATE, AND STAY SAFE!

I use my **Protected Time Off** to *get a checkup*

Take your time.



If you work in New York City, your employer must give you a [Notice of Employee Rights](#) explaining your right to protected time off and paid prenatal leave.

NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection enforces the [Protected Time Off Law](#) where covered employees have the right to use leave to care for themselves or anyone they consider family. Use leave for:

- health, including illness or preventive medical care;
- safety because of domestic violence, unwanted sexual contact, stalking, human trafficking, or workplace violence;
- child care;
- public benefits or housing appointments or hearings;
- extreme weather events or public emergencies when directed to stay home.

It is illegal to punish or fire employees for requesting or using leave or reporting violations. You have the right to leave regardless of your immigration status.

To learn more or to file a complaint, visit nyc.gov/workers.



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(79/YORK):**

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10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING PHOTO ID
AND YOUR WITNESSES IF YOUR
DOCUMENT REQUIRES THEM**

**ASSEMBLY MEMBER
REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT**



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EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

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FOR CONSTITUENTS OF THE
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Get help navigating the housing court process, responding to notices, dealing with threat of eviction, getting repairs from negligent landlords, and advocating for your rights as a tenant in New York City!

**A VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY WILL
HOST A ONE -ON-ONE SESSION
WITH ATTENDEES.**



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The legal clinic is solely to provide guidance and advice from attorney's experienced in landlord-tenant law. The clinic does not guarantee a desired outcome and does not establish an attorney-client relationship. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright does not represent or advise constituents in any legal matters.

Upcoming Events



Rebecca
Seawright
ASSEMBLY MEMBER



NO - COST COMMUNITY SHREDDING 2026

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24TH
9 AM - 12 PM**

**1495 YORK AVENUE
NW CORNER OF YORK AVE & 79TH ST**

NO NOTEBOOKS, BINDINGS, OR X-RAYS

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ALL EVENTS@:
Andrew Haswell Green Park
at 60th St. & the Esplanade



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**Rebecca
Seawright**
ASSEMBLY MEMBER



June FREE FUN on the Esplanade!

SUNDAY, June 14th 1-4PM

LATIN DANCE!

Talia Castro-Pozo

FREE ice cream* FREE Kids

Activities! & More

Subject to weather cancellation.

*While supplies last

MONDAY, JUNE 8 - 6-7:30PM

Yoga with IronStrength NYC

Registration Required

Bring Your Own Mat!

SATURDAY, JUNE 27 - 10-11:30AM

Bird Walk with NYC Bird Alliance

Registration Required

MONDAY, June 29th - 11AM

PuppetMobile! - Pinocchio

Free ice cream and FUN



**Protect Yourself from Fraud: Free Webinar for LGBTQ+ Older
Adults and Community Members**

Fraud Prevention Webinar

Wednesday, June 24th at 2pm EST



According to the FTC, fraud is at a crisis level in our country. As much as \$200 billion was stolen from Americans in 2024 alone. In fact, an estimated 103 million people have had money stolen due to fraud or sensitive information obtained and used fraudulently. The numbers are even higher among adults age 50 and older.

Join a free webinar hosted by **SAGE** and **AARP** on how this crime affects the LGBTQ+ community. **Kathy Stokes**, Senior Director of Fraud Prevention Programs at AARP, will explain the insights from a recent survey and offer tools and strategies to help recognize and prevent consumer fraud.



Scams and fraud schemes continue to target older adults and vulnerable populations at alarming rates. Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright encourages community members to take advantage of a free educational webinar hosted by SAGE and AARP focused on fraud prevention and consumer protection.

Fraud Prevention Webinar

 Wednesday, June 24, 2026

 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM (Eastern Time)

Featured Speaker: Kathy Stokes, Senior Director of Fraud Prevention Programs at AARP. Participants will learn how to recognize common scams, protect personal information, and take steps to safeguard themselves from fraud. The webinar will also address issues impacting LGBTQ+ older adults and provide practical tools to stay safe.

Registration is free but required. We encourage interested community members to sign up and share this opportunity with family, friends, and neighbors.

In Case You Missed It: Past Editions of the Community Report

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[Community Update: June 5, 2026](#)

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