

## **Greetings!**

# How would you Fix the MTA? - Fill out my Survey

In light of the sustained mass transit crisis in NYC, the Speaker of the Assembly has called a special conference in Albany with the Assembly Majority on October 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss ways to improve the MTA.

This week I released a survey asking constituents what MTA funding ideas they think are the best.

The survey has 7 proposals on it from Congestion Pricing and a Millionaires Tax to adding an additional taxi surcharge and calling on the Governor to form an efficiency task force. There is also a space for you to offer your own ideas and suggestions.





If you haven't yet seen me at your local subway station while on your way to work in the morning – **you can fill out the survey by clicking the button below:** 



Later this month I will release the results of the survey, so please do share your views. The MTA is at a crisis point. We must have a full debate, out in the open and discuss what these plans are. I hope that the Governor, my colleagues in the assembly and the state senate will likewise go out and engage with the citizens of the state of New York.

### Access Denied Campaign

On Monday I joined Transit Center and many of my colleagues in the Assembly to highlight the need for our subway stations to be fully accessible to people with disabilities, parents with strollers, older New Yorkers, construction workers, travelers, and people with injuries.

<u>Only one subway station within my district is accessible and that is just unacceptable.</u> I look forward to continuing this fight alongside Transit Center and transportation advocates across the city.

#### Visiting Urban Assembly School for Criminal Justice

On Thursday I had a chance to visit with a government and civics class at the Urban Assembly School for Criminal Justice.



UASCJ is a wonderful all girls public high school in my district and I had a great time talking to them about government, civics, politics, John Stuart Mill, and my own bias of the Mets over the Yankees. I truly enjoyed the conversation and appreciate the invitation. If you would ever like for me to attend your child's class or if you are a teacher or administrator and would like for me to speak at your school, please reach out to my office at (718) 788-7221.

### Meeting on CAMBA Park Slope Women's Shelter

On Wednesday I attended the community meeting on the CAMBA Women's shelter at the Armory in Park Slope. A number of community members have expressed concerns about incidents involving residents of the shelter aggressively panhandling and harassing residents over the past several months. It was a productive meeting that was attended by CAMBA leadership as well as representatives from the 72<sup>nd</sup> and 78<sup>th</sup> Police Precincts, Department of Homeless Services and Community Board leadership. I am convinced that if we work with CAMBA and the Precincts that we will solve these issues. I look forward to assisting the community in any way I can.



# Upcoming Community Meetings - 10/9/2017-10/14/20107

# 72nd Precinct Community Council Meeting

Marien-Heim Senior Center

4520 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Tuesday, October 10th

7:30pm

The 72nd Precinct Community Council meetings typically take place on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm at the Marien-Heim Senior Center.

#### **Community Board 6 General Meeting**

John Jay Educational Campus Auditorium

237 7th Avenue

Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>

6:30pm

CB6 General Meetings typically take place on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm at locations throughout the district.

See you around the neighborhood,

Bobby

P.S. My District Office located at 416 7th Avenue (Between 13th and 14th Street) is collected emergency items for the victims of the hurricanes in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. We are accepting the following items:

- Batteries
- Flashlights
- Portable lanterns
- Diapers
- Baby Wipes
- Cases of water
- Feminine hygiene products

All items must be completely unopened and packaged. Please drop off between the Hours of 9:30am-4:30PM next Tuesday-Friday.