

NEED HEATING HELP?

Having trouble paying for heating bills this winter? Assemblyman Dov Hikind reminds seniors and income-eligible families that assistance is available for those who need help with the cost of heating their homes this winter.

HeartShare (the Neighborhood Heating Fund) helps low-income families and individuals with elevated bills to meet their monthly heating payments. The program is underway. Assembly-

man Hikind's office is designated as an authorized center for the program and has been assisting residents with applications and information for years. In addition, the **Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** has begun.

To receive help or for more information, please contact Assemblyman Hikind's office at 718-853-9616.

STAY TUNED: Improvements Coming to Ocean Parkway Starting with Bay Parkway Intersection

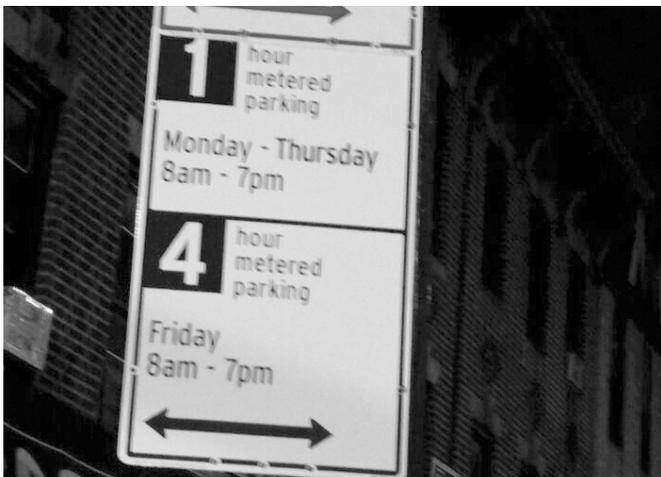


The Department of Transportation has begun a series of improvements along Ocean Parkway, starting with moving the sign that reads "Bay Parkway" 70 feet north of the intersection.

Assemblyman Hikind, who has been advocating for improvements along Ocean Parkway said, "This is a much needed improvement which will give drivers more notice prior to turning onto Bay Parkway."

Starting in April 2016, the Department of Transportation will be working on Ocean Parkway to install new traffic signs, new countdown pedestrian signals, new pavement markings, and various other improvements to enhance bicyclist and pedestrian safety. More information will be available in the upcoming weeks.

FRIDAY PARKING RELIEF FOR RESIDENTS: You Can Pre-Pay Muni-Meters on 13th and 18th Avenues



Sabbath observers looking for parking on 13th and 18th Avenues on Fridays will now be able to breathe easier without fear of being ticketed. Assemblyman Dov Hikind announced that Friday metered parking regulations have been modified to allow one to pre-pay for the meters for up to four hours. The Sabbath, which begins sundown on Fridays, can start as early as 4:00 p.m. in the winter. The changes, which just went into effect, built upon a successful pilot program on 16th Avenue. Assemblyman Hikind said, "Our community is grateful to the Department of Transportation and Commissioner Trottenberg for granting our request to modify Friday metered parking regulations. We are pursuing this program in other areas in the heart of Midwood, Avenues J, M, and P, and possibly other locations. Now you don't have to circle for hours to try to find a parking spot."

STANDING WITH OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN ISRAEL

Since September, the spate of violent attacks by knife-wielding terrorists in Israel has not let up. Reading these daily accounts spurred Assemblyman Dov Hikind to travel to Israel on a four-day solidarity trip to give support to Israelis, as well as American students in Israel. Recounting the purpose of his visit, the Assemblyman said, “This was one of the most powerful experiences in my life—and I’ve had many of them. I came to Israel to give support and I got much more in return.”



Assemblyman Hikind visited with terror victim Meir Pavlovsky at Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem. Although Meir was given a 10% chance of survival, Assemblyman Hikind was thrilled to learn of his miraculous recovery and his engagement a few days later.



Assemblyman Hikind visits with and gives strength to American students studying in Israel.

POLLARD IS FINALLY FREE!

Assemblyman Dov Hikind, who has long advocated on behalf of Jonathan Pollard, said, “I welcome Jonathan Pollard’s long overdue release from federal prison. Pollard’s life sentence was disproportionate and disparate to that of individuals convicted of a similar crime. After all these years and numerous appeals, we are happy that Pollard is finally free. We appeal to President Obama to permit Pollard to go to Israel forthwith in order to live there with his wife Esther.”

AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Assemblyman Hikind, Capt. Kenneth Quick, and personnel from the 66th precinct show support for Breast Cancer Awareness month.



Assemblyman Dov Hikind was delighted to visit the Nachas Health and Family Network annual Women's Day of Health which featured valuable resources about women's health and offered community members numerous free health screenings.



At the Nachas Health and Family Network annual Women's Day of Health, Assemblyman Hikind visited the booths of various organizations that do great work in helping out in the community, including Ezras Nashim, the all-female volunteer EMT service.



"I had a great meeting with education advocates from Families for Excellent Schools. I fully support their mission of school choice for our kids," said Assemblyman Hikind.



Assemblyman Hikind met with Jamey Hewitt, Deputy Director of Operations, Andrew Ullman, Director of Forestry, and Jamilah Belgrave of the Brooklyn borough office of the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation to figure out a simple question that has had him and his constituents stumped: who is responsible for repairs to the damaged sidewalk in front of a homeowner's property? This issue has frustrated many constituents, whose sidewalks have been uprooted and damaged by city-owned trees.

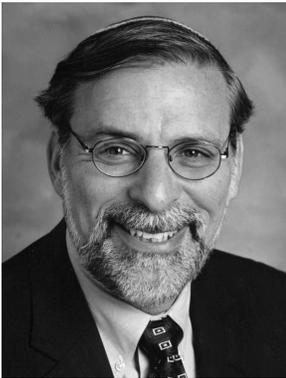


Assemblyman Hikind shows his support for the Boro Park Jewish Community Council at their annual Legislative and Community Tribute Breakfast. "We are indeed fortunate to have such an outstanding organization in our midst," said the Assemblyman.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS REALLY WORK



Assemblyman Dov Hikind showed his support for the Crown Heights community after recent attacks there. He pledged to work with local community leaders and elected officials, including Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, NYC Council Member Laurie A. Cumbo, and Chanina Sperlin, Executive Vice President of the Crown Heights Jewish Community Council, on procuring surveillance cameras to mirror an historic \$1 million security initiative he was instrumental in securing for his district. "Cameras are one of the most effective tools for law enforcement's ability to solve and prevent crimes," said Assemblyman Hikind, noting that there have been recent cases where the local police precincts have utilized footage from the cameras to solve crimes in the community.




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*It's never been easier to contact me about an issue of concern to you or our community.
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