

#### **COLTON ARGUES CASE AGAINST GARBAGE STATION IN APPEALS COURT**

#### **COLTON CONTINUES 12 YEAR FIGHT AGAINST GARBAGE STATION**

For a dozen years, **Assemblyman Colton** blocked the proposed Southwest Brooklyn Garbage Station at Shore Parkway and Bay 41 Street, making this one the last scheduled to open.



Shown in this 2007 photo is **Colton**, with community leaders **Mark Treyger, Charles Ragusa, Mitch Cohen, Steve Chung** and others at the 2007 Flotilla Protest.



This 2011 photo shows **Colton** surrounded by **Charles Ragusa**, **Charles Michaels**, **Ida Sanoff** and others at another of the numerous rallies from 2006 to 2016.



As shown in this 2016 photo, **Colton with Anti Waste Task Force Co-Chairs Charles Ragusa and Nancy Tong** are seen inspecting the site after **Assemblyman Colton** argued the case before the Appeals Court. **Colton** vows to continue fighting until the city's dangerous Garbage Station is stopped.



Now, as the neighborhood's free pro bono attorney, he began a lawsuit for the neighborhood, challenging the permit.

The case was argued in the Appellate Division where Tong and Ragusa brought dozens of neighborhood people to observe Colton's passionate Court presentation. Local attorney Chris Robles, also pro bono, assisted the assemblyman in the arguments. This 2016 photo shows the neighborhood group outside the Courthouse following the argument. The Appeals Court decision is still being awaited.

Colton, together with Councilman Mark Treyger, Ida Sanoff, Charles Ragusa, Jeanette Givant and now Nancy Tong, and others have mobilized community groups, elected officials, and the neighborhood to collect tens of thousands of petitions and letters, organize numerous rallies and appear at hearings to oppose the city's dangerous garbage station.

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#### COLTON WORKING TO CLEAN UP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Bill Colton with community leaders Charles Ragusa and Nancy Tong cleaning dirty catch basin.



Assemblyman **Colton** is concerned about the cleanliness of our neighborhood, **Colton** has:

- Worked with Councilman **Mark Treyger** in obtaining funding to hire non-profit groups to clean up 86th street four times a week.
- Organized street clean-ups, recruiting hundreds of youth volunteers.
- Made neighborhood store owners aware of their duty to clean in front of their stores.

### RAIN BARREL GIVEAWAY



Assemblyman **Colton** together with **Charles Ragusa** and **Nancy Tong** promote many services for the community such as the recent New York City-sponsored rain barrel giveaway at PS 97.

## **COLTON PROTECTING OUR SENIORS**

#### Bill Colton and Nancy Tong visiting a local senior center.

Assemblyman **Colton** has made services to seniors a top priority for the neighborhood. **Colton** championed legislation to provide seniors with EPIC, SCRIE and other programs to benefit them. That is why thousands of seniors take their problems to **Colton's** Office for help. **Colton** has also provided grants for our neighborhood senior centers.



**Colton**, together with Councilman **Mark Treyger** and Assemblywoman **Pamela Harris**, organized a Senior Prom

in conjunction with the Federation of Italian-American Organizations.

#### **COLTON GETTING RESULTS FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS**

#### This has been a good year for our school children.

Assemblyman **Colton** for many years has been a leading voice for more school fundings. This year, Assemblyman **Colton** succeeded in passing a budget providing a \$1.4

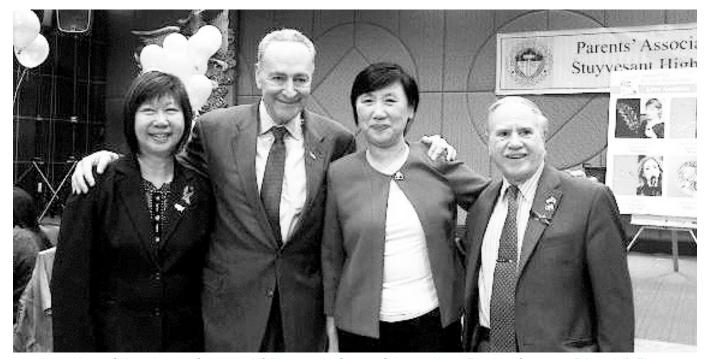
billion increase in school funding over last year's, with an increase of over \$550 million for NYC school children. The budget also includes some \$807 million for Pre K classes.



Assemblyman Colton reading to a Kindergarten class.

# Assemblyman **Colton** also was able to provide over \$2 million in capital grants for neighborhood schools, including IS 96, PS 97, PS 101, PS 163, PS 212, PS 247, IS 281, and IS 303.

Assemblyman **Colton** was able to successfully block eliminating the Specialized High School Admissions Test as the criteria for accepting students into Specialized High Schools. Instead the budget included more monies for making available more tutoring and preparation help. Assemblyman **Colton** believes we should not deny admission to those students who work hard and get the highest scores on this test, which has been proven accurate over many years.



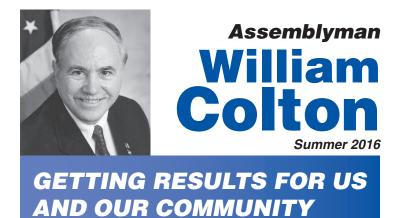
Assemblyman Colton shown at Stuyvesant HS PA event with Senator Schumer, Nancy Tong and Stuyvesant Principal Jie Zhang.

## **REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Assemblyman **Colton** makes honoring our veterans a top priority. He has sponsored legislation giving veterans credit for their sacrifices when applying for jobs, seeking real property tax breaks, getting an education and getting cost-of-living increases in their pension benefits.



Shown in photo is Assemblyman **Colton**, who has joined with Councilman **Mark Treyger**, Community Leader **Charles Ragusa**, **Nancy Tong** and **Ari Kagan** at **Colton's** 2015 Annual Veterans Recognition event.



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