





Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the Israel-Hamas war continues, we are deeply distraught to see and hear the news about attacks on innocent civilians, babies, children, and grandmothers. The reporting and images have been devastating. I was part of a rally and vigil for Israel on Tuesday at Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza. This week, I participated in a security briefings with the Mayor's Office and the NYPD. At the briefing we learned there are no current credible threats to New York. Our city is home to the largest Jewish community of any city in the world, greater than the combined totals of Tel Aviv and Jerusalem so out of an abundance of caution, the Governor and Mayor have ordered law enforcement to increase local patrols with special attention to religious schools, synagogues, museums, cultural institutions, and places that were deemed vulnerable in the city and throughout the state. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your loved ones through this unprecedented and distressing time. Enclosed in this report you will find my full statement and some resources on the relief effort.

In recognition of National Disability Employment Awareness Month I was honored to receive the "Equity and Inclusion Champion" Award from the non-profit Goodwill NYNJ. It was a pleasure to join them and present the hardworking program participants with citations for their dedication.

We are holding a no-cost paper shredding this Saturday, October 14 from 10am-2pm at 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and First Avenue. Hope to see you there!

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

Phone: 212.288.4607 Email: SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov Sincerely,

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SEAWRIGHT NO-COST PAPER SHREDDING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 10 AM - 2 PM @ 92ND/FIRST



### Assembly Member Seawright Joined Vigil In Support of Israel



Assembly Member Seawright with a Ramaz School student and constituent at the vigil held at Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza.



At a rally and vigil for Israel, Assembly Member Seawright stands with fellow elected officials Council Members Rita Joseph, Gale Brewer and Julie Menin at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza.

### **Relief Resources**

#### Consulates

- Consulate General of Israel in NY- <u>Consular.services@newyork.mfa.gov.il</u> Humanitarian Relief Organizations
  - <u>Latet</u>
  - <u>United Hatzalah</u>
  - <u>UJA-Federation Israel Emergency Fund</u>
  - <u>Magen David Adom</u>
  - <u>Sheba Medical Center</u>
  - International Committee of the Red Cross
  - Save the Children
  - Doctors Without Borders
  - <u>Anera</u>
  - Ways to Support Those Impacted by the Ongoing Crisis

#### Israeli Organizations Working for Peace:

- <u>New Israel Fund</u>
- <u>The Abraham Initiatives</u>
- Standing Together
- <u>Nefesh B'Nefesh</u>

#### U.S. Department of State

- Information for U.S. Citizens in Israel
- **U.S Department of Homeland Security** 
  - <u>Resources and Information for Faith and Community Leaders Regarding the</u> <u>Situation in Israel</u>
  - <u>Protecting Places of Worship: Six Steps to Enhance Security Against Targeted</u> <u>Violence</u>
  - Protecting Houses of Worship: Perimeter Security Considerations
  - <u>Nonprofit Security Grant Program Information</u>
- White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships
  - <u>Allied Against Hate: A Toolkit for Faith Communities</u>

#### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

- <u>Disaster Distress Helpline</u>
- Coping Tips for Traumatic Events and Disasters

- <u>Managing Stress After a Traumatic Event</u>
- <u>Coping with Grief After a Traumatic Event</u>
- Tips for Parents and Families Affected by Mass Violence
- Helping Your Child Cope with Media Coverage of Disasters: A Fact Sheet for Parents
- After a Crisis: How Young Children Heal

#### U.S. Department of Education

- <u>Protecting Students from Discrimination Based on Shared Ancestry or Ethnic</u> <u>Characteristics</u>
- Dear Colleague Letter on Addressing Discrimination Against Jewish Students
- <u>Video: Departments of Justice & Education Discuss Protecting Students from</u>
  <u>Discrimination in the Classroom</u>

#### **Community Update**

### Seawright Named "Equity and Inclusion Champion" By Goodwill NYNJ



Katy Gaul-Stigge, President & CEO of Goodwill NYNJ, Jose Medellin, Director of Communications and Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

Goodwill Industries of Greater NY and Northern NJ, Inc.(Goodwill NYNJ), a nonprofit, named Assembly Member Seawright as Equity and Inclusion Champion during the National Disability Employment Awareness Month.



East Brooklyn Business Improvement District Pathway to Employment program participant Michael Spellman. Citiview Clubhouse member Andy Moreno received a citation from the State Assembly.

The clubhouse setting provides opportunities for members to work, learn new skills, and join a community to advocate for access to the rights of all individuals to employment, stable housing, relationships, education and quality of life. Another Citiview Clubhouse member Pedram Birjandi received a citation for his hardwork and participation.



The art therapy program is a part of the day habilitation services through Goodwill and some of the artwork was on display at the event.



Assembly Member Seawright with the artists and their artwork.

### **District Office Flu Shot Clinic**



A neighbor received his flu shot at the no-cost seasonal flu shot clinic in our district office. Over 50 constituents received their shot of protection!

# As Featured In...

### Cheryl Wills In Focus Featured Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright



Cheryl Wills, Host of NY1's *In Focus,* sat down with Assembly Member Seawright this week to discuss important health issues, the 50th Anniversary of the Rehabilitation Act and more! <u>View the interview here.</u>

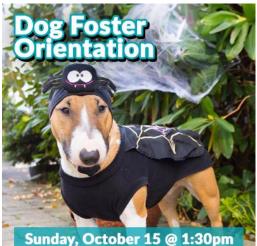
#### **Consider Our Office A Resource!**



The federal government relaunched its free COVID-19 at-home tests program. Households can receive four free rapid tests delivered directly to their home. For more information and to place an order, visit <u>https://www.covid.gov/tests</u>.







Calling all animal lovers! This October, Adopt a Pet is sponsoring adoption fees\* for all ACC dogs! So stop by any of the Animal Care Centers and head home with your new best buddy.

View all available dogs here!

#### **Upcoming Events**



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**UPCOMING DATES:** 

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 FIRST AVE/ 92ND ST

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 ROOSEVELT ISLAND MOTORGATE TURNAROUND

# **10AM TO 2PM**

NO NOTEBOOKS, BINDINGS, OR X-RAYS

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# A FIRESIDE CHAT WITH JESSICA COLE, FOUNDER OF USDR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 · 5:30PM CORNELL TECH / BLOOMBERG 071

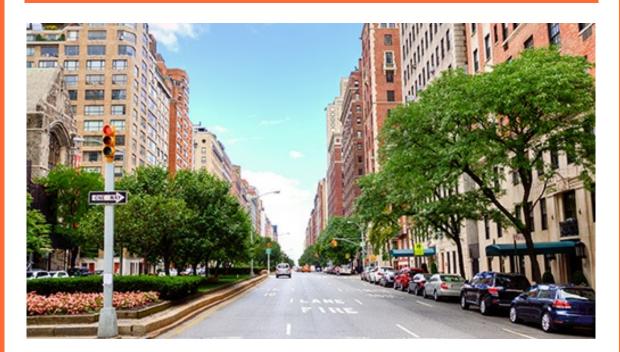
Catalyzing Change in Local and Federal Government Through Technology

You are invited to join the PiTech initiative for its next fireside chat: Catalyzing change in local and federal government through technology – a conversation with Jessica Cole, Founder of U.S. Digital Response (USDR):

PoTech

This event is open to the public and will have a virtual option to join. The virtual link will be shared on Monday, 10/16 prior to the chat.

Date/Time: Monday, October 16 from 5:30 - 7:00pm Location: Bloomberg Center, 2 West Loop Road, Rm. 71 Register by *clicking HERE.* 



#### Manhattan Community Board 8 Calendar

The Manhattan Community Board 8 (CB8M) represents the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Roosevelt Island. CB8M is comprised of 50 volunteer members who serve as advocates and service coordinators for the community and its residents, as well as help citizens resolve municipal service delivery complaints.

CB8M reviews and makes recommendations on various issues, including applications for Zoning Text Amendments, building variances and special permits, liquor licenses,

sidewalk cafes and street fairs, changes to landmarked buildings or buildings in historic districts, traffic and transportation issues, and more.

Each month, CB8M committees meet to discuss and resolve issues in the community.

Full Board Meeting - 3rd Wednesday Land Use Committee - 2nd Wednesday Street Life - 1st Tuesday Transportation - 1st Wednesday Housing - 1st Thursday Parks - 2nd Thursday Landmarks - 3rd Monday Social Justice - 4th Monday Zoning and Development - 4th Tuesday Youth and Education - 4th Thursday

Read More

**Transportation Advisory** 

#### **Roosevelt Island Tram**

Please be advised that Tram service will be affected the morning of Sunday, October 15 from 6AM to 10AM to accommodate a state mandated training session for all Tram operators and maintenance personnel.

While the training is taking place, one cabin will be out of service and one cabin will operate on its normal off-peak weekend schedule, servicing passengers every 15 minutes. The second cabin will resume service once the training is complete.

Regular cabin attendants will be on hand to alert riders of the ensuing training. In addition to the greater-than-normal number of Tram personnel, during the training, you will also notice higher noise volumes on and around the Roosevelt Island station, including from the evac braking system which will be engaged during safety drills.





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