





Left to right: hard at work in the district office; speaking on the floor in support of a resolution to memorialize Holocaust Remembrance Day; meeting with the staff of the Desmond Fish Library in Garrison.

Since taking office at the beginning of January, my staff and I have been extremely busy. I currently have three full-time staff members; please feel free to reach out to them directly for assistance with the following:

- For legislative inquiries and scheduling in the Albany office, contact Rebecca Southard-Kreiger, Legislative Director, at **southardkreigerr@nyassembly.gov**.
- For press and communications-related inquiries, email Acacia Mauriello, Director of Communications, at maurielloa@nyassembly.gov.
- For constituent issues, scheduling in the district office, and all other inquiries, email Victoria Cafarelli, Chief of Staff, at **cafarelliv@nyassembly.gov.**

We are now recruiting interns to help out in the district office. Interested students can <u>click here</u> to access the application form. Please forward this information to prospective applicants.







Left to right: with Attorney General Tish James, State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli and my district office staff during State of the State in Albany; promoting Teatown's EagleFest with local, county and state officials; honoring Peekskill Mayor Vivian McKenzie at an event in January.

For the time being, my district office will be located at 2 Church Street in Ossining, in the same suite that Assemblywoman Sandy Galef used to occupy. A move is on the horizon this summer as the owner of the building would like to reclaim the space; we will update you when that happens and share the new location. Our phone number will remain the same: (914) 941-1111. In Albany, my office is number 325 in the Legislative Office Building, and my phone number is (518) 455-5348. Both of my offices are open Monday through Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM. You can follow me on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for frequent updates on my activities, new laws, and other helpful information - I am @AMDanaLevenberg on all three platforms.

Here in the district, I have been engaged in a listening tour with our local school districts, municipalities, not-for-profits, and other constituencies. I have also begun holding Town Hall meetings for the public; thanks to everyone who joined the virtual session on the evening of January 26. Please join us for an upcoming meeting if you can:

- Saturday, February 4 at 10 AM: Hendrick Hudson Free Library Community Room, 185 Kings Ferry Road, Montrose, NY 10548
- Saturday, February 11 at 10 AM: Desmond Fish Public Library, 472 Route 403, Garrison, NY 10524

We will also begin hosting mobile office hours around the district on Mondays from 1:00-4:00 PM starting on February 6, excluding holidays. I recognize that Ossining is not local for everyone, so my staff will be present in a different area of the district once a week to help with anything you might come into the office for: help navigating state agencies, providing information about state programs, and more. See the flyer on the next page for more details.



UPCOMING

MOBILE OFFICE HOURS

Get help navigating state agencies, information about state programs, other resources, and more!

- Monday, February 6 | 1-4 PM Cortlandt Town Hall, 1 Heady St. Cortlandt, NY 10567
- Monday, February 13 | 1-4 PM Philipstown Town Hall, 238 Main St. Cold Spring, NY 10516
- Monday, February 27 | 1-4 PM Cold Spring Village Hall, 85 Main St. Cold Spring, NY 10516

For more information, call (914) 941-1111 or email levenbergd@nyassembly.gov.









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Left to right: speaking at Nonprofit Westchester's State Budget Forum Breakfast; with the students who participated in my inauguration; with advocates in Albany.

My office fields lots of emails and phone calls every day, including hundreds of comments on pending legislation. If you have sent a comment, please know that my staff and I do review every message and keep track of how many comments we receive in support or opposition to legislation under consideration, and plan to respond when there are updates on the progress of a law.

If you have recently reached out to us about state roads, please know that we are keeping track of those complaints as well. I am sending a separate communication about state roads in our district, which will also be posted on my website and social media pages. Stay tuned for more on that very soon.

We have also received some inquiries regarding state and federal rebate programs and other assistance for switching from gas-powered to electric appliances. If you would like to learn about rebate programs and other support for transitioning to renewable home energy sources, Sustainable Westchester's EnergySmart Homes program can help. Click here to learn more about EnergySmart Homes offerings. You can also call (914) 242-4725 or email

energysmarthomes@sustainablewestchester.org with questions. For readers in Philipstown, if you reach out they can connect you with a clean energy advisor based in Putnam - Sustainable Westchester is working with Cornell Cooperative Extension to serve the entire mid-Hudson region.

Earlier this month, I received my committee assignments for 2023. I am excited to be serving on the Environmental Conservation, Correction, Housing, Libraries and Educational Technology and Local Governments committees.

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Left to right: asking questions at the public hearing on criminal justice data; with the members of the Legislative Women's Caucus at the welcome reception; with advocates in Albany.

I have also signed on to co-sponsor multiple pieces of legislation that align with my mission of building healthy communities - environmentally, economically, physically and mentally healthy, all through the lens of equity. You can stay up to date with the legislation I have signed on to at the Legislation tab of my Assembly web page, or <u>click here</u>. I was particularly proud to co-sponsor the second passage of the Equality Amendment, which will strengthen New York State's commitment to the right to privacy and equal protection under the law. <u>Here is a video</u> of my comments in support of the amendment, which will go before the voters in 2024.

That's all from me for now, but I will continue to reach out to this email list in the coming days with a pair of surveys, as well as updates on issues of concern in the district, including our roads. In general, you can expect a longer update message like this one once per month, interspersed with occasional shorter messages via email and frequent updates on social media. You can also bookmark my page on the Assembly website and check back frequently for updates.

Until next time, be safe and healthy!

Jane Devely