



Assemblyman William Colton

Fighting for Us and Our Community

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON CONTINUES FIGHTING FOR SHSAT AND GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAMS



Assemblyman Colton wants to inform parents that the fight for SHSAT and gifted & talented programs is not over. The Assemblyman believes there is a strong attempt to eliminate SHSAT test while attempting to lull parents into stopping their protest.

Colton said “the attack on the SHSAT is an attempt to distract from the DOE’s failure to provide gifted classes in all neighborhoods in the city. Therefore, it continues the policy utilized under this and prior city administrations to deny gifted education to middle and early school aged children in those very school districts where it is claims children are being underrepresented in the specialized high schools.” Colton called on all parents to demand the expansion of gifted school classes in every school district so that every child including gifted children will receive their right to the quality education.

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON IS CIRCULATING A PETITION TO OPPOSE PLAN TO ELIMINATE THE SHSAT AS CRITERIA TO SELECT THE HIGHEST SCORING CHILDREN FOR ADMISSION TO SPECIALIZED HIGH SCHOOLS

Colton warned the parents not to be fooled into thinking that the fight is over, it’s far from being over. We demand more specialized High Schools and more Gifted & Talented programs in the early grades and in the middle schools to better prepare students for the SHSAT. Please contact my office at 718-236-1598 or stop by the office to pick up petitions.

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE CITY WILL NO LONGER ISSUE VIOLATIONS TO HOMEOWNERS FOR SIDEWALK DAMAGES CAUSED BY CITY TREES

Colton is pleased that after decades the City has finally decided that it will no longer issue violations to homeowners for sidewalk damage caused by City trees. In addition, the City will stop imposing liens on one, two, and three family properties that have sidewalk damage caused by City trees. The Department of Transportation will be reviewing all existing violations to determine which were caused by City trees and cancel the liens on all the properties that meet the criteria.

“I am grateful that Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie was instrumental in reaching this agreement with the City administration as a result of many concerns in the Assembly Members’ districts,” said Colton.



ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON ALONG WITH ARI KAGAN, BRIAN GOTLIEB AND HIS COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIRECTOR NANCY TONG AT ONE OF HIS COMMUNITY CLEANUPS



ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON SUPPORTS BUILDING MOTHER CABRINI MONUMENT

“Sister Frances Xavier Cabrini came to the United States in 1889. She founded 67 institutions within 35 years, including orphanages, schools, and hospitals dedicated to caring for the poor, uneducated, sick, and abandoned. Her institutions were spread out in places all over the United States, including New York, Colorado, and Illinois. Sister Frances Cabrini has been known as the Patron Saint of Immigrants. The iconic Sister Frances Cabrini monument is well deserved to be built in our city,” Colton stated.

The organization named She Built NYC was rejecting the public’s choice to build the statue of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, even though it has received 219 votes – more than any other nominee.

“I appreciate Governor Cuomo for now stepping in and taking a position that he will set up a commission for building Mother Cabrini Statue,” Colton added.

My office is circulating a petition for anyone who is in support of building the St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Statue. Please feel free to contact my office at 718-236-1598 or visit my office for more information to make your voice heard.

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON CEREMONY HONORS OUR VETERAN HEROES

Veterans Day is officially observed on November 11th. These outstanding individuals sacrifice so much so that we can preserve our way of life. For this reason, on November 20th, 2019 Assemblyman Colton continued to honor all neighborhood veterans as he does every year.



ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON ALONG WITH VOLUNTEERS IN FRONT OF HIS COMMUNITY OFFICE

Over the years, Colton has conducted numerous cleanups and stresses the importance to the people that clean streets is a way to maintain a high quality of life in the neighborhood.



GOVERNOR CUOMO SIGNED BILL SPONSORED BY ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON TO ALERT CUSTOMERS IF THERE IS SAFETY RECALL ON THEIR VEHICLE

Assemblyman Colton first introduced bill, A3366-A in 2015. The bill requires the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles’ to publish on the Department of Motor Vehicle’s website information to help people determine if a safety recall has been issued on motor vehicles and related equipment, child safety seats or tires. This bill will go into effect on October 4th, 2020.



Assemblyman visited Narrows at The Lodge Senior Center where he discussed with seniors their concerns and ways to improve our neighborhood. Colton also joined the group in dancing to the Electric Slide.

**ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON,
HIS COMMUNITY RELATIONS
DIRECTOR NANCY TONG AND
NYFD FIRE SAFETY UNIT
RECEIVING COMMUNITY
LEADERSHIP AWARDS FROM
HEALTH ESSENTIAL
AT ITS STREET FAIR**



ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON'S OFFICE OFFERS REDUCED-FARE METROCARD SERVICES

MTA MetroCard Mobile Sales staff will assist those who are eligible every month at Assemblyman Colton's Community Office located at 155 Kings Highway (between West 12th and West 13th Streets)

Seniors 65+ – Senior citizens 65 years of age and older can apply for an MTA Reduced-Fare MetroCard and can receive a temporary card the same day. Proper proof of age, such as a driver's license, is required.

Seniors with Disabilities – People with qualifying disabilities with a Medicare card and a valid photo I.D., such as a driver's license, can apply for a Reduced-Fare MetroCard and receive a temporary card the same day.

People with Disabilities – People with qualifying disabilities without a Medicare card can also apply. No temporary card will be issued and the applicant must first meet all qualifying criteria. Please note that the application processing may take up to 8 weeks.



Upcoming Dates

Friday, December 20, 2019 10 am to Noon

Friday, January 31, 2020 10 am to Noon

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON'S OFFICE ANNOUNCES TOYS FOR TOTS EVENT

Assemblyman Colton's office is collecting any new or unwrapped toys until the middle of December. Our office has a drop off box for anyone who would like to donate. Please feel free to stop by any time during my office hours. Bringing hope and joy to kids and the communities where they live and even yourself is what we are trying to do. You can make a difference for a family in need who lives in your community during the holiday season by contributing to Toys for Tots.



ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON CELEBRATED HALLOWEEN WITH LOCAL GROUPS, SCHOOLS AND NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN

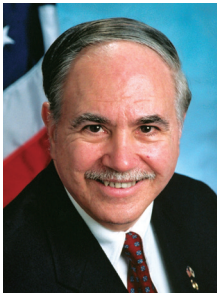


Assemblyman Colton was invited to the Georgian Cultural Dance School, under Shorena Barbakadze, to celebrate Halloween with the talented students of the School.



Assemblyman Colton celebrated Halloween by distributing treats in front his community office.

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Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday Noon to 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. to Noon



We will help you with: Small Business Concerns + Housing Issues + STAR/E-STAR + SCRIE / DRIE + HEAP + HeartShare + Food Stamps + Health Insurance + State/City Agencies Problems + Quality of Life Issues, getting traffic safety measures, such as traffic lights, speed bumps, getting potholes and dangerous conditions fixed and much more.