



Assemblyman William Colton

Fighting for Us and Our Community

ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON URGES YOU TO PARTAKE IN THIS YEAR'S 2020 CENSUS

Census 2020 Stand Up. Get Counted.

Assemblyman Colton encourages everyone to participate in this year's Census. The Census is required by the constitution and will help determine distribution of federal tax dollars, representation through the number of congressional seats, and the number of Electoral College votes each state will receive. The results also help determine funding for schools, roads, and other public services in local communities.

"Getting everyone counted as part of the Census will go a long way in getting more federal monies for all the families in the neighborhood."

Important Dates

MARCH 2020:

Households will begin receiving invitations to complete the 2020 census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond via phone, mail, or online.

APRIL 1, 2020:

Census Day is observed nationwide, by this date every home will have received an invitation to participate in the census. When you respond to the census, you'll tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020.

MAY – JULY 2020:

Census takers will begin visiting the homes that haven't responded to the Census to help make sure everyone is counted.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why is it important to count everyone?

NYS receives \$53 billion each year in federal funding for hospitals, public schools, transportation, and more. Each person that is not counted costs the state over \$2,600 in federal aid each year.

How do I fill out this form?

For the first time ever, the U.S. Census Bureau will send mailings with instructions on how to fill out the form online.

If you have low access to internet usage, you will also receive a paper form. **EVERY HOUSEHOLD WILL HAVE THE OPTION TO RESPOND ONLINE, BY MAIL, OR BY PHONE.**

Is my information protected?

Yes, your information is **100% CONFIDENTIAL.**

Do I have to answer every question?

Filling out every question on the form is highly recommended, but if you are unable to answer every question, your form **WILL** still count.



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ASSEMBLYMAN COLTON CONTINUES FIGHTING FOR FOUNDATION AID, SPECIALIZED HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST (SHSAT), AND GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAMS



Assemblyman Colton Demands Repayment for Monies Owed to Our Schools

For many years, Assemblyman Colton has fought for better quality education for our children.

There is approximately \$4 billion owed in foundation aid under the CFE court decision. Assemblyman Colton believes that the budget should include the monies to repay the CFE. The monies should be distributed to the high need districts and should be seen in the classrooms. Assemblyman Colton recommend these monies to be used to reduce class size, upgrade computer technology, language skills, music, arts, etc. to meet the needs of the children. NYC is filled with some of the brightest kids in the country. Due to the lack of resources and programs, our children are not being challenged and are unable to fully develop their cognitive skills.

Colton Calls For Gifted and Talented Programs in All School Districts

I have introduced a bill, A.4818/S.3878, which requires the New York City Department of Education to create more gifted and talented programs and classes. This bill would create more Advanced and G&T programs and classes, thus creating a pathway for top students to develop throughout their time in elementary and intermediate schools. The Mayor and the NYC Chancellor are continuing to seek to eliminate SHSAT, to eliminate testing for admission to all middle schools, and to end Gifted and Talented programs in NYC public schools.



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

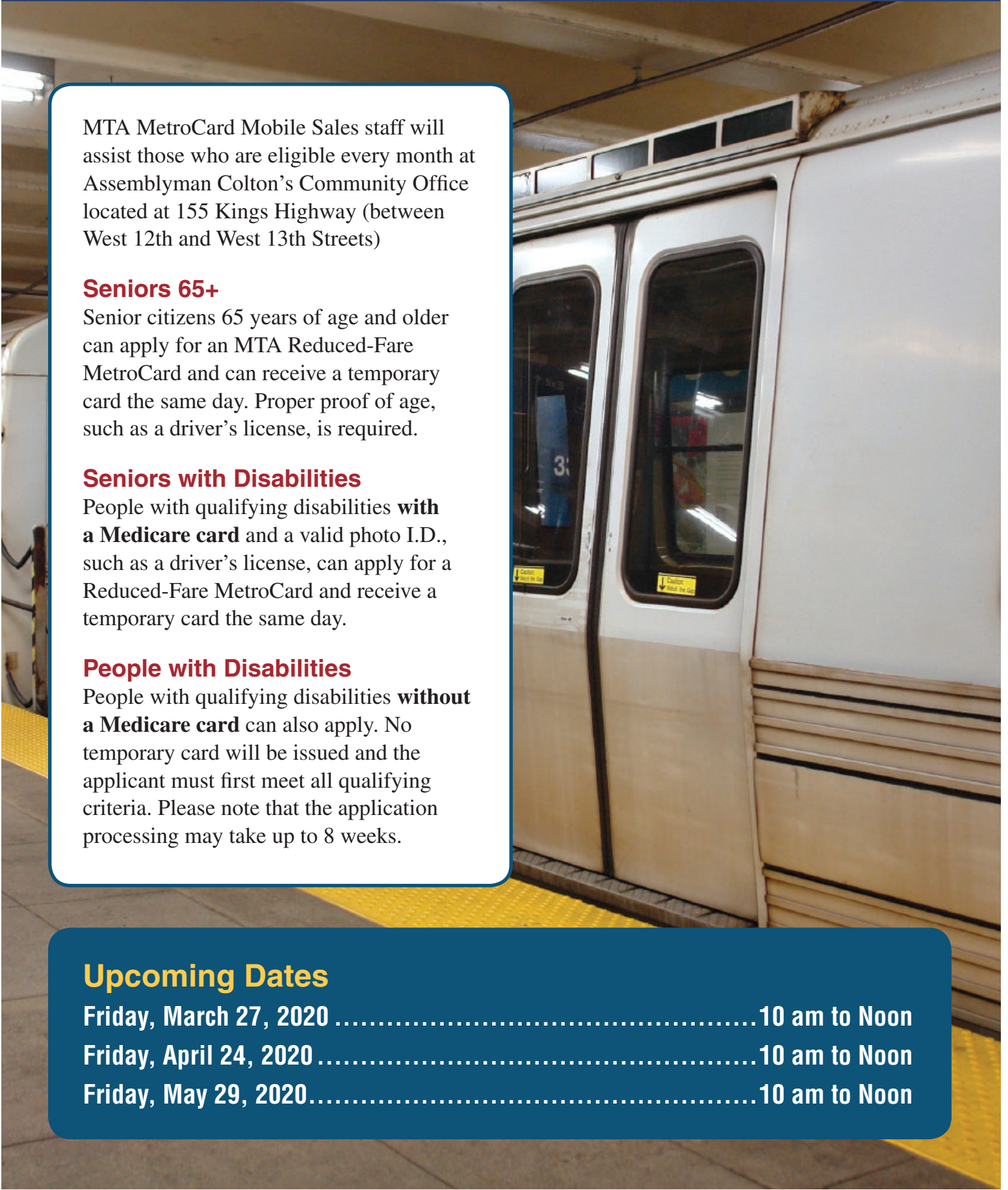
People with qualifying disabilities **with a Medicare card** and a valid photo I.D., such as a driver's license, can apply for a Reduced-Fare MetroCard and receive a temporary card the same day.

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, March 27, 2020	10 am to Noon
Friday, April 24, 2020	10 am to Noon
Friday, May 29, 2020	10 am to Noon





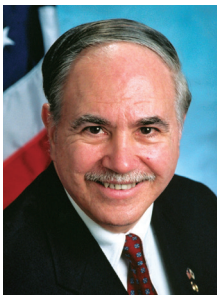
Join Assemblyman Colton Honoring Local Women

SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH @ 12 pm
29 BAY 25TH STREET, BROOKLYN
(Between 86 St. & Benson Ave.)

Please call the Assemblyman's office
at 718-236-1598 to make an
award nomination.

Community Office, 155 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, NY 11223

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155 Kings Highway

(between West 12 and West 13 Streets)

718-236-1598 • Email: coltonw@nyassembly.gov

Monday–Wednesday 10 am to 4 pm

Thursday Noon to 8 pm

Friday 10 am 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, potholes and dangerous conditions fixed and much more.