

Dear Neighbors,

Happy New Year!

This year as I return to Albany for my eighth legislative session, I am reminded what an honor it is to serve as your Assembly Member. Since my election in 2018, I have had the opportunity to pass legislation that has had a meaningful impact on the lives of New Yorkers. We have addressed so many critical issues for New Yorkers like protecting tenants and expanding affordable housing, outlawing discrimination against the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities, and seniors, enshrining the right to reproductive care in our state constitution through the Equal Rights Amendment, fully funding foundation aid to our schools, expanding statewide Pre-K and after-school programming, and increasing public safety. I remain dedicated to building a future that includes all of us.

We still have so much work to do and my team will be with you, on the streets of our neighborhood and in the halls of Albany, to make it happen.

We're just getting started,

Harvey

Make Your Voice Heard!

We want to hear what matters to you. Share your thoughts on how we can improve the neighborhood, what policies we should be fighting for in Albany, and how we can best serve you in the upcoming year.

> Scan the QR code, visit tinyurl.com/harvey2025priorities, or call us at (212) 979–9696 to help shape our priorities for 2025.



Free Upcoming Events



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LUNAR NEW YEAR ELEBRATION 農曆新年慶祝活動

FOOD-COMMUNITY-FUN 美食-社區-娛樂活動

Sunday, February 9th 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

2月9日星期天 下午2:00-4:00

Trinity Church 602 E 9th Street 602 E 9th Street

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RSVP 敬請回覆 (212) 979-9696 tinyurl.com/harveylunarnewyear





Performances | Art | Proclamations | Food | Community

HISTORY

MONTH

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH 6:00 PM UNTIL 7:30 PM WILMER JENNINGS GALLERY AT KENKELEBA HOUSE, 219 EAST 2ND STREET (AVE B)



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2024 Recap



- Several of our bills became law including allowing people who turn 18 before election day to apply for an absentee or early mail ballot (A.03250), bringing more transparency to the county committee nomination process (A.00494), and prohibiting the sale of environmentally hazardous styrofoam coolers (A.04943).
- Cosponsored **30** bills that became law including mandating warnings to be posted and provided by firearms dealers (A.02882), requiring insurance policies to cover neuropsychological exams for dyslexia (A.02898), requiring the reporting of certain accidents involving electric scooters and bicycles with electric assist (A.07628), and expanding the food donation and food scraps recycling program (A.05906).
- Sent out 65 e-blasts to keep constituents informed on our work in Albany, events in the community, volunteer opportunities, scholarships, and more!
- Gave out over **3,000 meals** for the Thanksgiving holiday with the help of community organizations.
- Assisted over **500 constituents** with concerns related to housing, food insecurity, mental health, education, health care, and so much more.
- Allocated millions of capital and operating dollars to community nonprofits such as the Loisaida Center and the Stuyvesant Park Neighborhood Association, local schools, and public housing developments.
- Responded to thousands of constituent emails.
- Hosted 5 e-waste events that diverted hundreds of old electronics from landfills and helped over 1,000 constituents shred their sensitive documents through our 4 shredding events.
- Fought tirelessly against the closure of Mount Sinai Beth Israel and New York Eye and Ear Infirmary to preserve community healthcare.





- Held dozens of community events and Hang with Harveys to talk to community residents and toured numerous nonprofits in our community and visited dozens of schools.
- Hosted a **town hall** to discuss affordable housing, public safety, the Campaign to Save Mount Sinai Beth Israel, and more!
- Featured in approximately 100 news articles from 45+ news outlets and published 10 op-eds about issues ranging from reproductive care to the benefits of going vegan to standing up for veterans.
- Honored community leaders with **45 proclamations and countless citations**, and attended numerous ribbon cuttings for new services and initiatives in the district.
- Hosted a **successful baby supplies drive** to provide hundreds of families at Bellevue Hospital with essentials for their newborn.
- **Celebrated** Black History Month, Women's History Month, Earth Day, Juneteenth, and Pride, put on a Summer Film Festival and co-sponsored the first annual Lower East Side Puerto Rican Day Parade and the annual Loisaida Festival.

Investing in the Arts

The arts have a transformative impact on people's lives. At the end of last year, Speaker Carl Heastie and I announced a \$3 million investment in The Joyce Theater's new rehearsal location at the former Boys Club (287 E 10th St). The funding will be used to transform the building into a dance and creative center with multiple rehearsal and performance spaces. Spaces will be upgraded with an elevator and redesigned for costume designers to work, musicians to rehearse, and local schools and community partners to participate in education programming. We are happy to restore such a vital place to community-based arts!

Additionally, in the 2024 State budget, we provided over \$2 million in arts grants to over 30 local organizations, including the National Arts Club, Vineyard Theater, and Allied Productions. Out of 150 Assembly Districts, we received an outsized share of the funding. View the complete list at nysca.org.



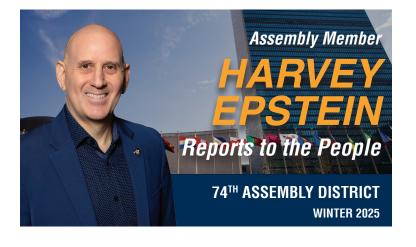


Assembly Member Harvey Epstein Fights For Our Community





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