

"I'm working to ensure you have the support and services to make life easier and more affordable in the Hudson Valley."

AssemblymemberDidi Barrett

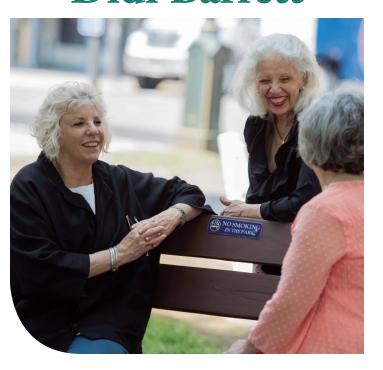
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Helpful
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Assemblymember Didi Barrett is keeping you informed

Prescription Drug Assistance

The Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) Program provides copayment assistance for Medicare Part D-covered prescription drugs after any Part D deductible is met. EPIC also covers many drugs excluded from Medicare Part D.

EPIC is available to seniors aged 65 and older who are not receiving full Medicaid benefits and whose income is no higher than \$75,000 or \$100.000 if married.

For more information, contact 1-800-332-3742.

Property Tax Relief

Thanks to the Enhanced STAR program, eligible seniors can receive exemptions on the taxable value of their homes, resulting in significant school tax savings. The Enhanced STAR program provides increased exemptions for eligible seniors who make less than \$86,300.

For more information on the Enhanced STAR program, visit: tax.ny.gov/pit/property/star/default.htm

Consumer Scam Protection

Consumer scams have caused people to lose millions of dollars through false promises, inaccurate claims and deceptive tactics. Seniors are often targeted and less likely to file claims. It is important to learn about this fraud and prevent it before it happens.

For more information and tips to avoid being scammed, visit: dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection/scams/consumeralerts_recalls/scam_alerts.htm

Lyme Disease Prevention

With warmer weather on the way, it's important to be aware of the dangers of tick-borne diseases (TBDs). Columbia and Dutchess counties have some of the highest rates of Lyme disease and TBDs in the nation, and seniors are at a greater risk of contracting these illnesses, which can be difficult to diagnose. Tick bites may be easily prevented by wearing long, tucked-in pants and sleeves when outdoors, using repellents that contain DEET or permethrin, avoiding contact with surrounding vegetation when hiking and checking yourself for ticks once inside.

For more information and helpful resources, visit our **#GetTickedOff** page on our website at: **nyassembly.gov/Barrett**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Assemblymember Didi Barrett by calling 845-454-1703 or by emailing BarrettD@nyassembly.gov





Dutchess County

Dutchess County	
County Numbers	
MidHudson Regional Hospital	845-483-5000
Vassar Brothers Medical Center	
County Clerk	845-486-2120
Board of Elections	845-486-2473
Public Health Department	845-838-4801
Motor Vehicle Department	
Poughkeepsie	845-486-2130
Wappingers Falls	
Millbrook	
New York State Office for the Aging	845-486-2555
Veterans	845-486-2060
Emergencies	
Dutchess County Sheriff	845-486-3800
Emergency Fire, Police, EMS	
National Grid Emergency Line	800-892-2345
New York State Police	845-677-7300
Enderel Assistance	
Federal Assistance Federal Trade Commission	
Identify Theft Hotline	077 400 4000
Consumer Response Center	
Postal Service	
Senator Charles E. Schumer	
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand	
Social Security	
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Services & Hotlines	
EPIC Helpline	
Equifax	
Experian	
TransUnion	
Medicare Helpline	
Office for the Aging Hotline	
Utility Bill Problems	
"Do Not Call" Telemarketing Registry	888-382-1222
State Assistance	
Attorney General Helpline	800-771-7755
New York State Division of	
Consumer Protection	800-697-1220
New York State Office of Victim Services	

Department of Taxation & Finance518-530-4357