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for an end-of-the-
year update from
Assemblymember Harry
B. Bronson on what we've
accomplished.

Assemblymember Harry Bronson:

An advocate for our community



“We have faced significant challenges due to the federal government’s reckless actions and funding cuts this year. But, by collaborating with strong community partners, prioritizing affordability for our families, increasing economic opportunities and enhancing public safety in our neighborhoods, we are investing in a resilient future for our region. I am proud of the work we have accomplished for Assembly District 138 and look forward to continuing these partnerships to build a prosperous and robust New York.”

Harry B. Bronson



Reflecting on our accomplishments, looking ahead

DEAR NEIGHBOR,

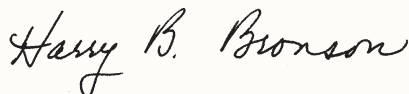
I hope you are enjoying the holiday season and spending time with those you love. As 2025 comes to a close, we reflect upon a year that has tested our trust in government and the systems we believed would protect our values. This has placed many in our area under tremendous pressure, but I believe that the government works best when people participate. We face these trying times together. They will bring us clarity on what matters most and remind us that it is our community that uplifts both our spirits and circumstances.

I am proud of the people and organizations in the 138th Assembly District. You have risen to the challenge. You have called and emailed my office with questions and concerns, held me accountable, made me aware of situations in the district, and offered solutions. Our district made national news when we came together to protest ICE unfairly targeting hardworking people, and we have shown that it is our voices and the power of unity that can make real differences. This is the strength of a government for the people, by the people.

This coming year, I will continue to look to my district for inspiration and hope. I will continue to fight for the rights we have earned and deserve, and to focus on initiatives that help people meet the needs of their everyday lives: health and mental health care, a strong economy, meaningful workforce development opportunities, education, housing, and safe streets.

Spend these last few weeks of 2025 with those you love and cherish, be present in your communities and neighborhoods, and remember that our unity is our power and our diversity is our strength. We are in this together, and I know we will prevail.

With gratitude,



Harry B. Bronson
Member of the Assembly
District 138



Security

- Investments in community programs and law enforcement have effectively increased public safety through prevention, intervention and response, leading to an **18% overall decline in crime in Monroe County and the City of Rochester.**¹
- ✓ **\$3.1 million** to the Rochester Police Department and **\$500,000** to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office as part of the **Gun Involved Violence Elimination program**, leading to a **56% decrease in firearm-related homicides in 2025**
 - ✓ **\$10 million** for the Rochester Police Department and **\$6 million** for the Monroe County Sheriff's Office to install new blue light cameras to deter and solve crimes via the Law Enforcement Technology Grant Program
 - ✓ **\$8 million** for the Daniel's Law Pilot Program, helping our area address community-based, peer-led crisis response
 - ✓ **Secured funding for PathStone Corp & Rochester General Hospital** to work with those at risk of gun violence by connecting them with support and services through SNUG Street Outreach Grants

Opportunity

- ✓ **\$3 million** to support economic independence for our families through the Monroe County Ladder Demonstration Project
- ✓ **Enacted the "bell-to-bell" cell phone ban**, removing distractions from classrooms
- ✓ **Paid off the state's Unemployment Trust Fund Debt**, raising the UI payments to \$869 per week in October
- ✓ **Expanded Career Technical Education (CTE)** to develop a workforce development pipeline for Rochester City School District students to enter the skilled trades

Affordability

- ✓ **Decreased taxes for more than 75% of New Yorkers**
- ✓ Free breakfast and lunch for every student in every school through funding a **universal school meal program**
- ✓ **Expanded the Empire State Tax Credit**, providing up to \$1,000 per child under the age of four, and \$500 for children ages 4-16
- ✓ Reduced costs to our local health care system with **\$15 million** for Monroe County's Transformational Community Care Coordination Project (TC3) to address hospital overcrowding
- ✓ **Increased funding for public libraries** so communities continue to benefit from free and accessible technology, materials and services

All funding and measures included in the 2025-26 NYS Budget
1. governor.ny.gov/news/safer-streets-governor-hochul-high-lights-24-million-investment-law-enforcement-technology-10

Questions? Concerns? My office is always here to help!

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