



**Greetings!**

**Relief for Puerto Rico**

As we know, our fellow citizens of Puerto Rico are still reeling and recovering from the damage from Hurricane Maria. Many in our community have been reaching out to try to help those in need, since the road to recovery will be long and many everyday needs and emergency supplies for Puerto Ricans must be met.



On Wednesday I visited the senior center at The Senior League of Flatbush and had the opportunity to thank them for generously raising money for the Puerto Rico relief efforts in conjunction with the American Red Cross. I was particularly impressed by the amazing generosity by so many on a fixed income.



My District Office has been collecting emergency items for the past couple of weeks, but I really want to thank the students, parents and teachers of PS 53K at IS 88 for coming by this week and donating much needed emergency items to our [#PuertoRicoRelief](#) effort!



If your school or community group would like to do the same, we are collecting baby wipes, flashlights, batteries, bottled water and feminine hygiene products. All items must be unopened and packaged.

Please drop off items at my District Office (416 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue) between the hours of 9:30am and 4:30pm Monday – Friday next week.

### **MTA Crisis Continued**

As you know, I have made it my mission to try and address the ongoing problems we are facing with the state of our public transit system. [Our ongoing MTA Funding survey, if you haven't filled one out with me at your local subway yet, can still be filled out on my Assembly website here.](#) The reaction to the survey has been tremendous and this is an incredibly important issue, so please join with hundreds of your neighbors and make your voice heard.

## How Would You Fix The MTA?



The time for our State government to step in to deal with the deteriorating state of the subway and bus system has long since passed. I was in Albany on Tuesday for a special conference with the Assembly Majority to begin conversations on how to find a solution to this problem. No matter what, I will continue to advocate strongly for meaningful investments and methods to finding more funding for our public transportation system. This issue has stymied prior legislative sessions, so the road to a better functioning New York City will be a long one, but I am as committed as ever to dealing with the systemic issue of underfunding and supporting repairs and services for New Yorkers.

In an effort to bring light to this issue, I participated on Monday in a press conference with local City Council legislators at the steps of City Hall. We discussed why the [MTA New York City Transit](#) is the most expensive system in the world and how we can fix that. More than ever, we need to bring accountability, efficiency and common sense to the MTA Capital and Operating budgets.



## **Happy 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Prospect Park!**

One of the crown jewels of my District and Brooklyn is Prospect Park. On Thursday I joined with Sue Donoghue, the President of the Prospect Park Alliance and Marty Maher, the Brooklyn Parks Commissioner to celebrate the park's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday!





The work to keep the park in a good condition for all the communities that surround it is daunting, but volunteer support of the park is always an important part of that. The Prospect Park Alliance and the Parks Department have been at the helm of that work for some time and I am grateful to have them as partners! [Read more about the mission of the Prospect Park Alliance and their upcoming projects here.](#)

### **Construction at PS 217**

I joined a meeting that the parents and school administration from [PS 217](#) called with the School Construction Authority regarding concerns that they had about the impact that necessary construction on the school building would have on the students ability to use the playground.



We received assurances from SCA that the scaffolding will be wrapped and the playground and schoolyard will be open during the school day and whenever construction work is not taking place. I will continue to keep a focus on this project to ensure that the school receives it's much needed renovation, but also so the project is done effectively and fairly so it doesn't negatively impact the experience of the students.

### **Upcoming Events Sponsored by my office:**

# FREE Flu Vaccine Event



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**Robert Carroll**

**Saturday, November 18**  
**10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Assemblymember Carroll's District Office**

416 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Brooklyn, NY  
(between 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets in Park Slope)

*We are working in partnership with SUNY Downstate Medical Center to administer FREE flu vaccines to constituents.*



Quantities are limited so please call my  
District Office for an appointment **(718) 788-7221**.



For more information on this event or any other local or state issue,  
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**Friday, November 17, 2017**

**Assembly Member  
Robert C. Carroll's  
Office**

416 7th Avenue,  
Brooklyn, NY 11215  
(9:00am -12:00pm)

**Park Slope Center for  
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463A 7th Street,  
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**Upcoming Community Meetings 10/21/2017-10/27/2017:**

**It's My Park Day**

16th Street Entrance to Prospect Park (Prospect Park Southwest and 16<sup>th</sup> Street)

Saturday, October 21

10:00am to 1:00pm

Join other volunteers in helping take care for our green spaces with brooms, shovels, rakes, and trash grabbers. Focus will be on Lookout Hill with cleaning, path maintenance and woodland restoration.

**CAMBA – Park Slope Women’s Shelter Community Advisory Board Meeting**

1402 Eighth Avenue

Eighth Avenue between 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> street

Tuesday, October 24

6:30pm to 8:00pm

Open to the public to discuss issues pertaining to the Park Slope Women’s Shelter.

## **Community Board 12 Monthly Meeting**

Amico Senior Citizens Center

13<sup>th</sup> Ave and 59<sup>th</sup> Street

Tuesday, October 24

7:00pm

Open to community members. The CB 12 board meeting is typically scheduled on the second Tuesday of the month at different locations during the year.

## **70<sup>th</sup> Precinct Community Council Meeting**

175 Lawrence Ave (Lawrence and Seton Pl)

Wednesday, October 25

7:30pm

Open to community members. The 70th Precinct Community Council meetings typically take place on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm at the 70<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

## **Mayors de Blasio's Town Hall**

William Alexander Middle School, 350 5th Ave

Thursday, October 26

7:30pm to 10:00pm

Open to the public. RSVP required.

If you have any community issues or legislative ideas, please reach out to my office by responding to this email or by calling my District Office at (718) 788-7221.

See you around the neighborhood,

Bobby

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