



Assemblyman William Colton

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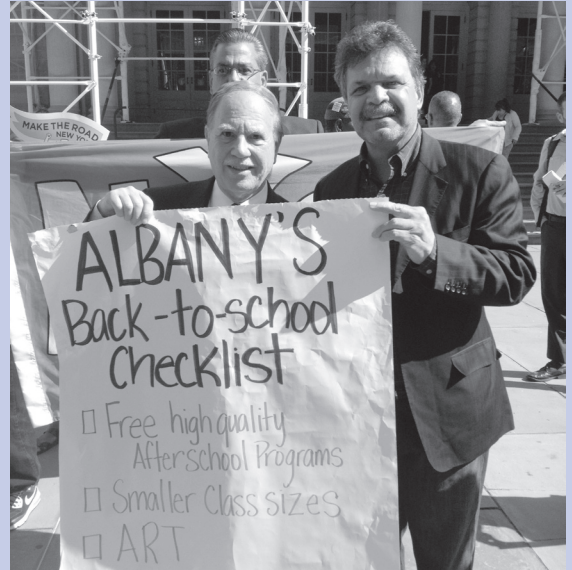
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Colton Fighting for the Best Education for All Our Children

As a former teacher, **Assemblyman William Colton** knows the importance of quality education. He has long fought to correct the inequitable funding which high needs schools, like NYC public schools, have been subjected to.

This year he helped pass a budget providing a **\$1.6 billion increase** in school aid over last year. He fought for **\$300 million** in state funding for NYC Universal Pre-K, in addition to the \$300 million in the year before. In addition, the state budget includes \$5 million for libraries, a full \$14.3 million restoration to teacher center funding and \$98.5 million for 4201 schools which help students with disabilities.

Since education of children in parochial schools and yeshivas is also important, he worked to make sure they also got help. While the Education Investment tax credit was not passed this year, he successfully fought to include **\$250 million** in additional funding over two years for mandated services previously not reimbursed to these non-public schools.



Assemblyman Colton along with Assistant Speaker Assemblyman Ortiz fight for school needs.

Colton Improving Neighborhood Quality of Life

Street and Transportation Improvements

Assemblyman Colton, working together with **Councilman Mark Treyger**, **Councilman David Greenfield** and community leaders **Nancy Tong** and **Charles Ragusa**, personally traveled our streets identifying and reporting over 200 cracks and potholes after the past winter.

Last year DOT repaved **86th Street, Bay Parkway, Avenue P, and Kings Highway**, among others. This year working with **Councilman Mark Treyger** and **Councilman David Greenfield** many more streets are scheduled for repaving including **28th Avenue** from Bath to Cropsey, **Cropsey Avenue** from Shore Parkway to Bay Parkway, **25th Avenue from Bath to Stillwell**, **19th Avenue** from 86th to 65th Street and numerous side streets.

Also this year, the MTA is finally starting renovation to the N Line stations from 86 Street to Bay Parkway after many complaint letters and petitions from Assemblyman Colton.



Promoting Our Veterans

Assemblyman Colton always stresses the importance of honoring our veterans whether visiting a school or a senior center or a community gathering. He has supported state legislation to provide better benefits and protections for our veterans, as well as hosting Veteran's Day events honoring our neighborhood veterans.



Assemblyman Colton shown with Community Leader Nancy Tong and veterans at Veteran's Day celebration.

Colton Helping Seniors and Youths

This year **Assemblyman Colton** was able to obtain over \$75,000 directed at neighborhood senior centers serving thousands of our seniors as well as over \$100,000 for neighborhood youth groups and community organizations.

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City Rushes to Build Garbage Station While Colton's Court Fight Goes On

Colton Calls for Continued Fight

Assemblyman Colton brought a lawsuit challenging the permits for the dangerous garbage station proposed for Shore Parkway and Bay 41 Street. Yet this past December, before the holidays, the City rushed to begin construction before the scheduling of the court date.

Now the City continues to rush ahead with construction, placing the environment and our quality of life in danger through its nonsensical plan.

Assemblyman Colton, together with Councilman Mark Treyger and Community Leaders Nancy Tong, Charles Ragusa and Ari Kagan have continued to organize community opposition to this dangerous plan.

Through rallies and over thousands petitions and letters, the community has shown its opposition. Yet the City continues to disregard our community and rush forward.



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Colton's Plan to Stop Garbage Station

1. JOIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

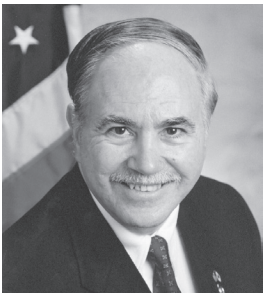
by taking photos and videos of the construction site on Shore Parkway Service Road between 26 Avenue and Bay 41 Street. If you are living or traveling near the site and see any problems like dust blowing, construction debris dumped in the water, work before 7 a.m., odors near site, uncovered construction dumpsters traveling from site or other dangerous conditions, then EMAIL photos or info to us at neighborhoodwatch47@gmail.com or call NANCY TONG at 718-236-1598 with info or photos.

2. CALL MAYOR DE BLASIO

at 212-788-3000 and tell him to stop the Southwest Brooklyn Garbage Station because our neighborhood's health and environment matters too.

3. GET PETITIONS SIGNED

Call 718-236-1598 to ask for petitions and get family and friends to sign against the Garbage Station.



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