



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Happy Easter to those celebrating this weekend! We wish you all peace and joy this spring.

The U.S. Supreme Court heard a case threatening nationwide access to reproductive medication. With Mifepristone at risk, we submitted an amicus curiae brief urging the court to uphold existing protections. New York has secured a five-year supply of medication, and we will continue fighting for the NYS Equal Rights Amendment.

I proudly rallied with Consumer Directed Action of New York (CDANY) and the NY Association on Independent Living (NYAIL) at an Albany press conference. We advocated for independent living programs and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance (CDPA) priorities in the final budget. These would help people with disabilities obtain critical assistance.

We joined our CUNY Caucus allies to call for greater higher education funding in this year's budget. With CUNY enrollment bouncing back and more personnel needed, our students and faculty deserve proper support.

Please join us for any of the upcoming events our office is pleased to sponsor:

- **No-Cost Screening Mammograms:** Wednesday, April 10, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The mammogram bus, in partnership with the American Italian Cancer Foundation, will be in front of the Office of Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets).
- **No-Cost Thursday Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Giveaway :** Thursday, April 4, from 12:00pm-2:00pm at the Office of Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets).

More information on upcoming events, my work in Albany, and our community is enclosed in this report. Please don't hesitate to reach out to our community office if we can be of assistance.

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Sincerely,

Rebecca A. Seawright

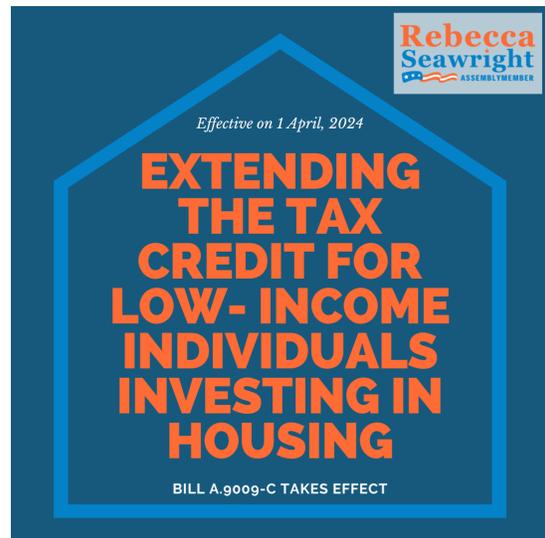
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New Laws Taking Effect

Help keep our roadways safe! On Wednesday, the newly expanded Move Over Law took effect. All drivers must now slow down or move over when any type of vehicle is disabled or when stopped on the side of a highway or parkway. This will prevent traffic accidents and keep New Yorkers safe.



Going into effect on April 1st, A.9009-C extends the credit against income tax for individuals or entities investing in low-income housing.



A.4755-B pays drug-impaired driving surcharges to counties for programs and initiatives to reduce drug-impaired driving incidents.

Effective on 1 April, 2024

SUPPORTING COUNTY PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES TO REDUCE DRUG-RELATED DRIVING ACCIDENTS.



Bill A.4755-B Takes Effect

Rebecca Seawright
ASSEMBLY MEMBER

Health insurance policies and Medicaid must soon cover biomarker testing for diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of a covered person's condition when the test is supported by medical and scientific evidence.

A dark blue graphic with medical icons like a stethoscope, syringe, and pills. The text reads: "EFFECTIVE ON 1 APRIL, 2024" and "INSURANCE AND MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR BIOMARKER TESTING". At the bottom, it says "Rebecca Seawright ASSEMBLY MEMBER" and "Bill A.1673-A Takes Effect".

A Green Energy Milestone!

A graphic featuring a solar panel array under a sunset sky. The Rebecca Seawright ASSEMBLY MEMBER logo is in the top left. A white torn-paper-style box contains the text: "MARCH 25, 2024", "TIMES UNION", and "NEW YORK SETS RECORDS FOR WIND AND SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATION".

We're making progress toward cleaner, greener New York! Visit www.nyiso.com/press for

Supporting Electric Vehicle Safety



Assembly Member Alex Bores, Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, and NYC E-Vehicle Safety Alliance (EVSA) Co-Leader Andrew Fine. Seawright has co-sponsored a vital legislative package to prevent electric vehicle accidents, secure bike batteries, and improve pedestrian safety.

Consider Our Office A Resource

Learn How to Prevent Scams, Fraud, and Identify Theft

Signs an Email or Text is a Scam



The email has a generic greeting.



Scammers pretend to be from an organization you know.



The email says your account is on hold because of a billing problem.



Scammers say there is a problem or prize.



The email invites you to click on a link to update your payment details.



Scammers pressure you to act immediately.



Scammers tell you to pay in a specific way.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF IDENTITY THEFT

- Complete the Identity Theft Victims Report.
- Call the three main credit reporting companies for free fraud alert and freeze account.
 - ID theft victims are entitled to an extended fraud alert for seven years.
- Call your banks/credit card companies and payment companies to alert them that you are a victim of ID theft.
- Visit [IdentityTheft.gov](https://www.identitytheft.gov) and take specific steps on the website.
- Report the phishing attempt to the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.reportfraud.ftc.gov)

TIPS VIA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Anyone can fall victim to scams or fraud. However, you can prevent incidents by following these tips from the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. Stay smart and stay safe!

**Rebecca
Seawright**
ASSEMBLYMEMBER

**NO-COST
THURSDAY
PPE
GIVEAWAY**



12:00PM-2:00PM

**COMMUNITY OFFICE
1485 YORK AVENUE
(78/79 STREETS)**

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@NYASSEMBLY.GOV**

Upcoming Events

Spring is here. That means the Wengerd Farms Farmer's Market (7 AM – 3 PM) will be returning to its spring/summer location at Good Shepherd Plaza, starting this Saturday, March 30th. Don't miss it!

SATURDAYS

April 27, 1-4 pm - Gene Casey and the Lone Sharks

May 11, 1-4pm - French Cookin' Blues Band

June 11, 1-4 pm - Special Guest Band

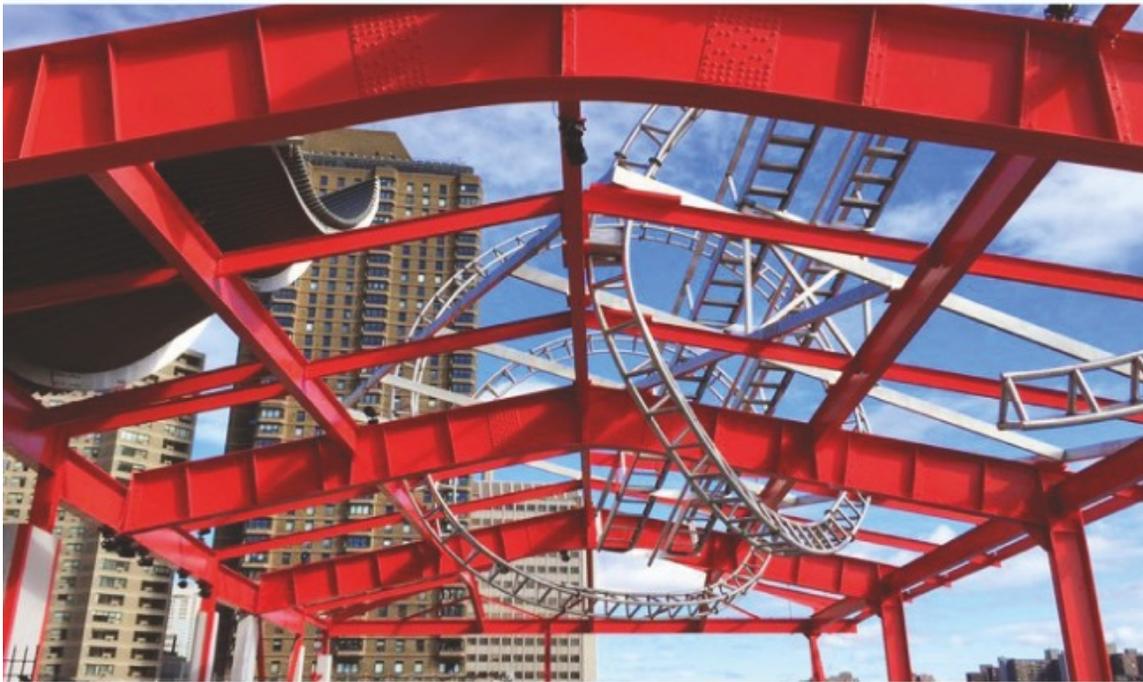
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Rain Date: June 10

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**Rebecca
Seawright**
ASSEMBLYMEMBER

NO-COST SCREENING MAMMOGRAMS

The Mammogram Bus



American-Italian
CANCER FOUNDATION

**will be at your District Office
1485 York Avenue**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024
9:30am to 4:30pm**

For an appointment please call
212-288-4607

Eligibility:

- Open to women age 40 to 79
- Living in New York City
- No Mammogram in the past 12 months
- All insurance plans are accepted
- Bring your insurance card with you
- Co-payments and deductibles are waived
- No-cost for uninsured women

**Funded by a grant from NYS Cancer Services Program
Additional funding provided by the generous support of the NBCF, NYC Council,
NYC DOHMH, NYS Senate, RAR Foundation,
and individual patrons**

Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright
is seeking nominations for the

2024 WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS

Together, let's celebrate **Women's History Month** by recognizing the extraordinary women who are making our communities stronger.

Thursday, May 30 at 6:30 PM

Zuckerman Auditorium
MSK Cancer Center
417 E 68 Street
Between 1st and York

Nominations must
be submitted by
03/20/24 via email to
seawright@nyassembly.gov



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For a nomination form or more information about this or any other community issue, contact **Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright** at 212-288-4607 or seawright@nyassembly.gov.



Manhattan Community Board 8 Calendar

The Manhattan Community Board 8 (CB8M) represents the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Roosevelt Island. CB8M is comprised of 50 volunteer members who serve as advocates and service coordinators for the community and its residents, as well as help citizens resolve municipal service delivery complaints.

CB8M reviews and makes recommendations on various issues, including applications for Zoning Text Amendments, building variances and special permits, liquor licenses, sidewalk cafes and street fairs, changes to landmarked buildings or buildings in historic districts, traffic and transportation issues, and more.

Each month, CB8M committees meet to discuss and resolve issues in the community.

Full Board Meeting - 3rd Wednesday
Land Use Committee - 2nd Wednesday
Street Life - 1st Tuesday
Transportation - 1st Wednesday
Housing - 1st Thursday
Parks - 2nd Thursday
Landmarks - 3rd Monday
Social Justice - 4th Monday
Zoning and Development - 4th Tuesday
Youth and Education - 4th Thursday

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Transportation Update

Roosevelt Island F-Train

UPDATE: RIOC is extending the hours for the planned Manhattan Red Bus shuttle this weekend to help residents with off-island travel while the F-Train is out of service. The shuttle will now run from 11am to 7:30pm. Details are highlighted below:

Dear Roosevelt Island Community:

The MTA has informed us that there will be no F- shuttle service on Roosevelt Island on

the weekend of March 30-31, starting on Friday 3/29 at 11:30 PM.

At this time, it is anticipated that F, E, and M train service will resume normal operation between Queens and Manhattan **starting at 5AM on April 1st**.

During the outage, the MTA will once again provide free shuttle buses for island residents to utilize:

Starting at 11:30 PM on Friday 3/29 and for the remainder of the weekend, a free shuttle bus will replace the Q95 and Q94 and will extend to connect Roosevelt Island, 21 St-Queensbridge, and Queens Plaza, following the current Q94 overnight shuttle route. This shuttle bus will run during daytime and overnight hours for the duration of the weekend and is scheduled to operate approximately every 5-10 minutes.

Other Methods of Travel

In addition to the MTA's free shuttle bus, island residents may utilize the following methods of off-island transportation during the weekend:

Red Bus Manhattan Shuttle: RIOC will once again run a Red Bus Shuttle to Manhattan on Saturday March 30th, and Sunday, March 31st, from 11:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. The shuttle leaves from the Tram Station at the top of every hour and picks up returning riders from the southwest side of 2nd Avenue, between 58th Street and 59th Street, on the half hour.

Tram: RIOC is running the Tram on a rush hour schedule every Saturday and Sunday from 7:00am – 10:00pm during the ongoing MTA trackwork. Please be advised that we expect longer than average wait times for the Tram while this MTA work takes place, so you should plan your travel accordingly. Extra PSD officers will be stationed at both the Roosevelt Island and Manhattan Tram stations during these weekends, and if you are elderly or disabled and need help reaching the Manhattan side Tram platform, please make sure to speak with one of the PSD officers on site.

NYC Ferry: The NYC Ferry Astoria line serves Roosevelt Island and can provide off-island transportation to Queens and Manhattan. [You can check its schedule here.](#)

Q102 Bus: Travelers can also utilize the Q102 Bus to Astoria for off-island travel. [You can view its schedule here.](#)

Thank you,

RIOC Transportation

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