Rebecca Seawright

ASSEMBLYMEMBER



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Governor Hochul's appointment of Attorney General Letitia James as Special Prosecutor in the Cornell University "Jane Doe" sexual assault case is a positive step toward uncovering the facts and pursuing justice. I stand ready to work with my legislative colleagues to strengthen protections for victims.

I awarded a state grant to P.S. 183 to renovate its playground, and this week I joined the school community to cut the ribbon and tour a new classroom.

I also joined Manhattan Borough President Brad Hoylman-Sigal at the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Temple of Dendur to celebrate Manhattan's community board members.

Protecting your personal information is an important step in preventing identity theft. Ridgewood Savings Bank is offering free shredding on Saturday, October 3, from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. at its Yorkville branch, 1646 First Avenue. No appointment is needed, and residents may bring up to five boxes per household.

This edition of the Community Update includes resources to help eligible households lower their utility bills, request free smoke alarm installations, search for unclaimed funds, and learn about the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund.

I invite you to join us at our upcoming events:

- Monday, October 5 at 2:00 pm - **Planning Ahead for Your Pet** at the Webster Library, 1465 York Ave (77/78 Streets), 3rd Floor. Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to RSVP. Join on zoom by registering **here**.

- Friday, October 9, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm - **No-Cost Flu Shot Clinic** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets). Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to RSVP or use the link below: https://drugmart.fullslate.com/services/1489?location=1436&start=6846

- Wednesday, October 21, from 2:00–6:00 p.m. — **Community Job Fair at Metropolitan Hospital**, 1901 First Avenue. Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright is proud to co-sponsor this event with State Senator José M. Serrano, connecting job seekers with employment opportunities and community resources.

- Friday, October 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. — **No-Cost Community Shredding Even**t at Motorgate Turnaround, 688 Main Street, Roosevelt Island, NY 10044.

Our office is always just a phone call, email, or visit away.

Phone: 212-288-4607

Email: SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov

REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT

Seawright Statement on Appointment of NYS Attorney General Letitia James as Special Prosecutor by Governor Hochul

“The appointment of NYS Attorney General Letitia James as Special Prosecutor by Governor Kathy Hochul is a positive step in the disgracefully bungled Cornell University "Jane Doe" sexual assault case. Facts long buried must be unearthed so that justice will be done. We stand ready to work with legislative colleagues to strengthen state laws so that victims’ rights are fully upheld.”

Seawright Cuts the Ribbon on School Playground Funded by Discretionary Capital Funding at P.S. 183



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright awarded a $517,862 state grant to P.S. 183 to renovate its pre-K playground. This week, she joined the school community to cut the ribbon and tour a new classroom.

She thanked Principal Martin Woodard, PTA leaders, Superintendent Kelly McGuire, UFT Chapter President Nina Philips, and Tasha Edmond of the Division of School Facilities for their dedication to the school and its students.

Seawright Speaks at MBP Hoylman-Sigal's Celebration of Manhattan’s Community Board Members at the Met's Temple of Dendur



Assembly Member Seawright joined Manhattan Borough President Brad Hoylman-Sigal at the Metropolitan Museum of Art to celebrate the dedication of Manhattan's community board members. She thanked Community Board 8 Chair Valerie Mason, District Manager Ian McKnight, and the members serving the Upper East Side, Yorkville, and Roosevelt Island for their leadership, partnership, and commitment to our neighborhoods.



Manhattan Borough President Brad Hoylman-Sigal, Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright, Community Board 8 Member Alida Camp, and Community Board 7 Chair Alex Morgan Bell.



No-Cost Flu Shots with Drug Mart





Thank you to Drug Mart for partnering with our office to provide no-cost flu shots to neighbors on Tuesday, September 29.

Missed this clinic? Our next no-cost flu shot clinic will take place on Friday, October 9, at our district office, 1485 York Avenue. The clinic is by appointment. Reserve your appointment **here**.

Rebecca Seawright

ASSEMBLYMEMBER

FLU SHOT CLINIC

Office of Assembly Member
Rebecca A. Seawright
1485 York Ave
(78/79 Streets)



Friday,
October 9, 2026

10:00 AM–2:00 PM



In partnership with
Drug Mart,
East 86th Street

Schedule your appointment

https://drugmartfullslate.com/services/1489?location=1436&start=6846

Rebecca Seawright
ASSEMBLYMEMBER

Search and Care

PLANNING AHEAD FOR YOUR PET

PRESENTED BY ROBIN STRASHUN

Outreach, PET, Medical Escort and Volunteer Coordinator | Search and Care



WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Create an Advance Pet Plan and an alert wallet card
- Organize essential veterinary and caregiving information
- Identify trusted helpers and emergency backup arrangements
- Explore PET resources and eligibility-based financial support

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026 | 2:00 PM

Webster Library

Community Room

1465 York Avenue, New York, NY 10075

RSVP

seawrightr@nyassembly.gov | 212-288-4607

Pet owners of all ages are welcome.

Search and Care: 212-289-5300 | SandC@searchandcare.org | searchandcare.org

Note the new location at the Webster Library. Join by **zoom**.

Roosevelt Island Update: Vessel Incident Damages West Seawall and Sculptures

Our office contacted the Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation (RIOC) for information about a tugboat and barge incident along the island's west seawall overnight September 29–30.

According to RIOC, the crew reported a hydraulic line issue that caused a loss of steering and required emergency docking. The vessel struck and submerged the Tom Otterness sculptures in the river and damaged the seawall behind 30 River Road. No injuries were reported.

RIOC Public Safety and Maintenance personnel secured and barricaded the affected area. Residents should respect the barriers while the damage is assessed. The vessel departed after repairs to its steering system.

The U.S. Coast Guard is involved, and RIOC is seeking a thorough investigation and comprehensive assessment of the damage. Our office will continue following up and share updates as they become available.

Update on New York City's Pied-à-Terre Tax

A Staten Island judge has ordered New York City to revise the rollout of its pied-à-terre tax, which applies to certain high-value homes that are not primary residences.

The ruling addresses the City's implementation and notification process; the tax itself remains in place. The City has appealed, temporarily putting the court's order on hold while the legal challenge continues.
Our office will continue to monitor developments and share updates with residents.

Read more about the ruling and the City's appeal

Help Shape Community Board 8's Budget Priorities

Upper East Side and Roosevelt Island residents are encouraged to share the most pressing needs in our community through Community Board 8's Fiscal Year 2028 District Needs and Budget Priorities Survey. Select Manhattan and Community District 8 to provide your input.

Complete the district needs survey

Big John's Moving Relocates, Continues Serving the Upper East Side

After nearly 50 years on the Upper East Side, Big John's Moving is relocating its primary office operations to its nearby warehouse facility, just 12 minutes away. In a letter to neighbors and elected officials, owner John Healey and his team explained that commercial real estate pressures and increased competition have made their current storefront unsustainable.

"We are still fully operational, still local, and still ready to handle your moves with the exact same precision we have provided for half a century," they wrote.
The company hopes to return to an affordable Upper East Side storefront.
Reflecting on its longstanding community ties, the team shared: "We aren't just a corporate crew; we are a multi-generational family business moving your families."

We thank Big John's Moving for its decades of service and charitable work in our neighborhood and encourage neighbors to continue supporting our local small businesses.

Veterans & Their Best Friends: Share Your Story

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services is launching Veterans & Their Best Friends, a new series celebrating the special bond between veterans and their dogs.

Whether your dog provides comfort, encourages you to get outside, or simply brightens your day, DVS wants to hear your story.

To participate, email a photo of you and your dog, your name and your dog's name, and a few sentences about your bond to **connect@veterans.nyc.gov**. Selected submissions may appear in the DVS newsletter, on social media, and in an upcoming video.

Email DVS to share your story

Opera for All: Free Metropolitan Opera Tickets for New Yorkers

Available throughout the 2026–27 season
Metropolitan Opera, Lincoln Center

The Metropolitan Opera's Opera for All program will distribute 70,000 free tickets to eligible New Yorkers throughout the season.

New York City residents with valid identification who have not purchased a Met Opera ticket since 2019 are eligible to enter the free-ticket lottery. First-time opera attendees are encouraged to participate.

Learn more about eligibility and enter the free-ticket lottery

Consider Our Office Your Resource



Make Your Voice Heard: NYC Aging Town Hall

Join NYC Aging on Wednesday, October 21, from 10 a.m. to noon at Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, 331 East 70th Street, for its Manhattan town hall. Older adults and advocates can meet agency leadership, learn about the Annual Plan Summary, and share feedback on meals, services, and programs. Bring your ideas for improving support for older New Yorkers!

NYC Aging Town Hall

A Review of Food, Services, and Programs





Date & Time	Borough	Location	Address
October 8 10am - 12 pm	Bronx	JASA Bay Eden	1220 E 229th St. Bronx, NY 10466
October 14 10am - 12 pm	Queens	Sunnyside Community Services	43-31 39th St. Sunnyside, NY 11104
October 16 10am - 12 pm	Staten Island	Staten Island Borough Hall	10 Richmond Terrace Staten Island, NY 10301
October 21 10am - 12 pm	Manhattan	Lenox Hill Neighborhood House	331 East 70th St. New York, NY 10021
October 28 10am - 12 pm	Brooklyn	RAICES Times Plaza	460 Atlantic Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11217

Let NYC Aging know how you feel about the meals being served and services we provide. Join agency leadership, older adults, and advocates for a presentation on the agency's Annual Plan Summary and share your ideas on how to improve programs for older New Yorkers.

NYC Department for the Aging

Important Update: Unemployment Insurance Services Upgrade
Beginning Monday, November 2, at 5:00 p.m.
Expected service interruption: 9–12 days

NEW YORK STATE | Department of Labor

WORKING FOR YOU

The New York State Department of Labor is upgrading its unemployment insurance system to improve claim tracking, communication, and accessibility.
During the upgrade, all online and phone-based unemployment insurance services will be temporarily unavailable, and benefit payments will be delayed. Customers will be unable to file claims, certify for weekly benefits, or access or update their accounts.

Once the upgraded system becomes available, customers must file or certify to receive all benefits due to them. The Department will notify customers when services resume.

Career Centers will offer virtual appointments for job-search assistance during the transition, but staff will be unable to assist with unemployment insurance.

Visit the NYS Department of Labor for updates and guidance

Grant Opportunity for Local Nonprofits and Public Schools

Application deadline: Friday, October 16
Applications available online
The Manhattan Borough President Community Award Program offers reimbursement-based grants, typically ranging from $2,500 to $5,000, to support education or criminal justice projects at local nonprofits and public schools.

Learn more and apply for the Community Award Program

NYC Health Department Hiring Licensed Social Workers

In-person interviews: Tuesday, October 13
The NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is recruiting for six Co-Response Team Coordinator positions. New York State Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs) and Licensed Master Social Workers (LMSWs) with experience serving vulnerable populations are encouraged to apply. Multilingual skills are highly desired.
Interested candidates should contact the recruitment team promptly for application and interview-screening instructions.

Email recruit@health.nyc.gov for more information

Save on Utility Bills: Energy Affordability Program

New York State's Energy Affordability Program provides eligible households with monthly discounts on electric and natural gas bills. Residents are encouraged to check current eligibility requirements and enrollment options to see whether they qualify.

Learn more and check your eligibility

Free Smoke Alarm Installations

The American Red Cross and its partners offer free home fire-safety visits, including testing existing smoke alarms and installing up to three alarms where needed. Working smoke alarms can save lives—request an appointment to help keep your household safe.

Request a free smoke alarm installation

9/11 Victim Compensation Fund: Support Remains Available

The September 11th Victim Compensation Fund provides compensation to eligible individuals with 9/11-related physical illnesses and representatives of those who have died.

Eligibility can extend beyond first responders to residents, workers, students, and others who were present in designated exposure areas during qualifying periods.

Visit the Fund's website to learn about eligibility, registration, and filing a claim.
Learn more about the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund

Could New York State Be Holding Money That Belongs to You?

The New York State Comptroller's Office encourages residents, businesses, and nonprofits to check for unclaimed funds. These funds never expire, and searching for and claiming your money is free.

Take a few minutes to see whether you or your organization has money waiting to be claimed.

Search for unclaimed funds through the State Comptroller's Office

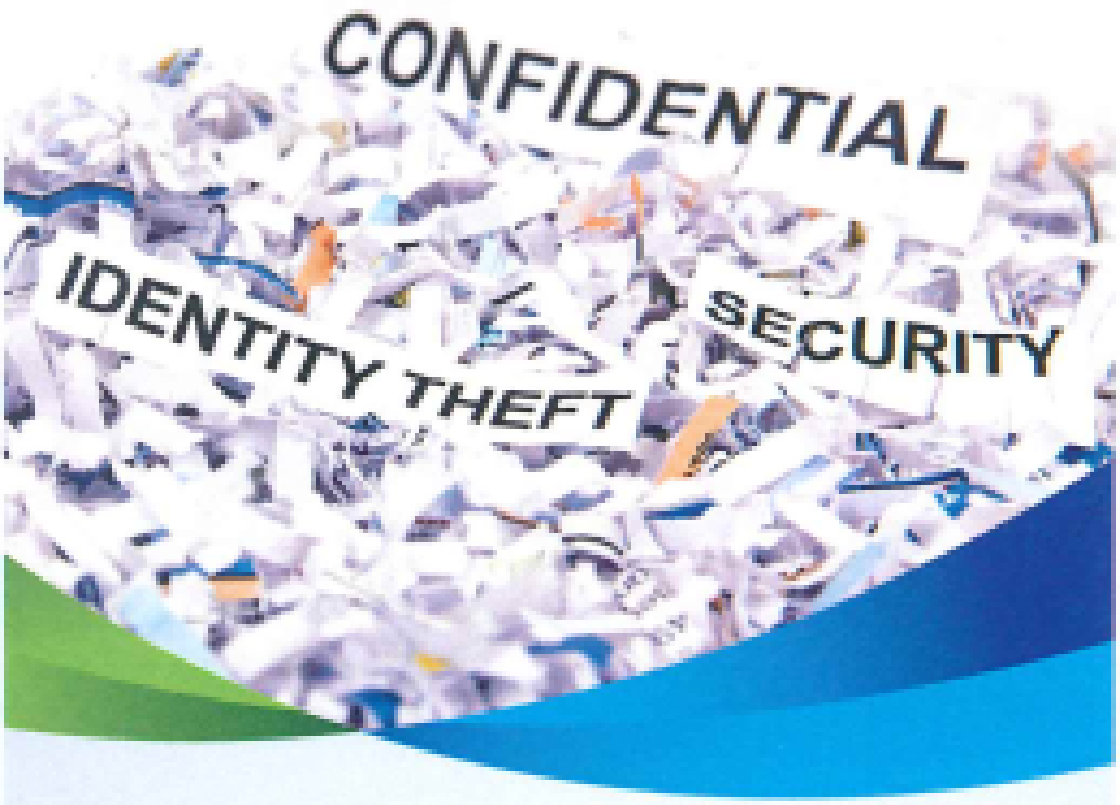
Rebecca Seawright
ASSEMBLYMEMBER

NO-COST NOTARY PUBLIC SCHEDULE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING PHOTO ID AND YOUR WITNESSES IF YOUR DOCUMENT REQUIRES THEM

Upcoming Events



FREE

SHRED EVENT

October 3, 2026
10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Shred your personal documents and papers securely... for FREE!

No appointment necessary.
Limit five boxes per household.

Yorkville Branch

1646 1st Avenue

New York, NY 10028
(212) 348-2200

RIDGEWOOD SAVINGS BANK

multiply the good

Ridgewood is proud to partner with USAA SAVER to help protect your privacy

ridgewoodbank.com

Member FDIC



Rebecca Seawright
ASSEMBLYMEMBER



NO-COST COMMUNITY SHREDDING 2026

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD
9 AM - 12 PM

MOTORGATE TURNAROUND
688 MAIN ST, ROOSEVELT ISLAND, NY 10044

NO NOTEBOOKS, BINDINGS, OR X-RAYS

OFFICE OF NYS ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT
1485 YORK AVENUE
212-288-4607
SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV

Community Board 8 Manhattan Art Show on the East Side

Saturday, October 3, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
James Cagney Place, East 91st Street between Second and Third Avenues
Rain date: Sunday, October 4
Community Board 8 Manhattan invites neighbors to enjoy its Art Show on the East Side and celebrate the work of local artists.

[Visit Community Board 8 for more information]



Community Board 8 Budget Priorities Meeting

Monday, October 5, 6:30 p.m.
Online via Zoom

Share your priorities as Community Board 8 continues its discussion of the Fiscal Year 2028 Statement of District Needs and Budget Priorities. This meeting was rescheduled from October 13.

Register for the Budget Committee meeting

Community Board 8 Street Life Public Hearing

Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 p.m.
Online via Zoom
Community Board 8 will review local liquor license and outdoor dining applications. Neighbors are invited to participate and share their comments.

Register for the Street Life Committee hearing

NYC Aging Town Hall

Wednesday, October 21, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, 331 East 70th Street
Join NYC Aging, community leaders, older adults, and advocates for a presentation on the agency's Annual Plan Summary. Attendees will have an opportunity to share feedback about meals, services, and programs and offer ideas for improving services for older New Yorkers.



Visit NYC Aging for more information

86th Street Subway Accessibility Update and Neighborhood Transportation Meeting

Wednesday, October 7, 6:30 p.m.
Online via Zoom
Join Community Board 8 for an MTA presentation on accessibility upgrades at the 86th Street 4/5/6 station. The agenda also includes transit updates, a proposed loading zone at 360 East 88th Street, and continued discussion of 15 mph speed limits at eligible school locations under Sammy's Law.

Register for the Transportation Committee meeting

Community Board 8 Parks and Waterfront Meeting

Thursday, October 8, 6:30 p.m.
Online via Zoom
Hear updates from NYC Parks representatives and participate in Community Board 8's discussion of neighborhood parks and waterfront issues. Additional agenda details will be announced.

Register for the Parks and Waterfront Committee meeting

In Case You Missed It: Past Editions of the Community Report

Community Update: September 25, 2026

Community Update: September 18, 2026

Community Update: September 11, 2026

Did someone forward this email to you?

Sign up for our e-news here.

Share This Email | Share This Email



Office of Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright | 1485 York Avenue | New York, NY 10075 US

Unsubscribe | Update Profile | Constant Contact Data Notice

Constant Contact

Try email marketing for free today!