

## November 3, 2023

#### Greetings -

It was great to be at Green-Wood Cemetery's Day of the Dead family celebration this Wednesday to announce support for the build-out of Green-Wood's new Education and Welcome Center. Myself, Assemblymember Marcela Mitaynes, State Senator Iwen Chu, and State Senator Andrew Gounardes secured a combined \$500,000 in State funds for this project.



Located across from Green-Wood's Main Entrance at 25th Street and Fifth Avenue, the 20,400 square foot two-story construction will wrap around Green-Wood's restored nineteenth-century Weir Greenhouse, a New York City Landmark. When completed in 2025, the Center will offer Green-Wood's 450,000 annual visitors a welcoming space where they can get an introduction to the historic cemetery before exploring the grounds. The space will host educational activities and serve as a meeting and event space for local organizations. Green-Wood Cemetery is truly remarkable - a beautiful final resting place, a site of artistic treasures, an arboretum, and a historic landmark all at once.

### The 2023-2024 Regular HEAP benefit opened on November 1st

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) can help eligible New Yorkers heat and cool their homes.

If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off.

Eligibility and benefits are based on:

- income
- household size

- the primary heating source, and
- the presence of a household member who is under age 6, age 60 or older or permanently disabled

Find more <u>information here</u>.

#### **Coat & Canned Food Drive**

My office is partnering with the YMCA to offer support to people in need throughout our community. Please provide coats or canned goods at the Park Slope Armory or the Prospect Park YMCA. With a large number of asylum seekers coming to our city, the need for help is greater than ever. I urge everyone in my district to come together as a community to help New Yorkers new and old who require assistance and aid.



# Thanksgiving Food Drive w/People in Need

I am partnering with People in Need, a local non-profit in Parkville-Kensington to collect food items for local immigrant and low-income families. See requested items and drop off location and times on the flyer below:



FOR THE LOCAL IMMIGRANT AND LOW-INCOME FAMILIES. ACCEPTING COLLECTIONS UNTIL NOVEMBER 20, 2023

# **Requested Food Items:**

Turkey(Halal appreciated)StuffingCorn cansCookingSweet PotatoesStaples:

Stuffing Cooking Oil Staples: Beans, Rice

DISTRIBUTION DETAILS Date: 11/23/2023 Time: 4–5pm Location: 944 Newkirk Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11230



Scan to Donate!

Drop-off time: Anytime between 3 pm to 5 pm Drop-off days: Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday Drop-off Location: 766 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, NY-11218

PLEASE CALL US AT (347) 247-5076 ATLEAST 15 MINS PRIOR TO REACHING THE LOCATION.



If you have any concerns about these or any other legislative or community matter please email me at carrollr@nyassembly.gov or call (718) 788-7221.

-Bobby

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