

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATOR KARA HAHN



FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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**LEGISLATOR HAHN AND BAXTER'S PET PANTRY NOT PLAYING DEAD
WHEN IT COMES TO FIGHTING PET HUNGER ON LONG ISLAND**

The logo for Baxter's Pet Pantry, featuring a close-up of a pug's face inside a bone-shaped frame with the text "Baxter's PET PANTRY" below it.The logo for Long Island Cares, Inc., featuring a stylized sun rising over water with the text "Long Island Cares INC. The Harry Chapin Food Bank" below it.

Pets are Family Donate Today
Donate pet food today to help more pets stay at home with their families and out of shelters

The 3rd Annual Legislative Food Drive Challenge to benefit Long Island Cares is collecting much needed pet food this winter February 1st through March 31st

Most Needed Items

Best size to donate: 5 or 10 pound bags of dog food and cat food
Canned food, Kitty litter, and New pet toys
Don't forget hamsters, fish, and ferrets too! All pet foods welcome

Select representatives from New York State, Nassau County, and Suffolk County are participating. Contact your local elected officials to find drop off sites in your neighborhood!

The official seal of the State of New York, featuring a figure holding a staff and a shield, with the text "THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK".The official seal of Suffolk County, New York, featuring a bull and the text "SUFFOLK COUNTY SEVENTH NEW YORK".The official seal of Nassau County, New York, featuring a lion and the text "NASSAU COUNTY STATE OF NEW YORK".

PORT JEFFERSON, NY – Suffolk County Legislator Kara Hahn (D-Setauket) today announced that she is hosting a pet food drive that will run through March 31, 2014 in her Port Jefferson office. Donated items are being collected for “Baxter's Pet Pantry” that was established by Long Island Cares, Inc. in 2009.

“When circumstances prevent a home’s basic needs from being met it affects both the two and four legged members of that family,” said Legislator Hahn. “No family should have to pick and choose which lives within the household should be sustained. Because of the efforts of Baxter’s Pet Pantry, families do not have to sacrifice their beloved animals in order to survive.”

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According to Elana Sissons, Food Drive Coordinator for Baxter's Pet Pantry, "The purpose of distributing pet food to families in need is to avoid having pets placed in shelters or abandoned because families might be having difficulty in securing pet food."

Donations of:

Wet/Dry Dog Food
Wet/Dry Cat Food
Dog and Cat Treats
Collars and Leashes

Bird Seed
Fish Food
Kitty Litter
Small New Toys

can be dropped off to Legislator Hahn's office at 306 Main Street in Port Jefferson during normal business hours. For additional information please call: (631) 854-1650.

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