

NEWS FROM Legislator

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## *Help the Homeless*

### **Leg. D'Amaro Asks Residents to Donate Clothing In Conjunction With Annual Event**

(HUNTINGTON STATION, NY... July 27, 2015) – In preparation for Suffolk County's annual Stand Up for the Homeless event on August 28th, Legislator Lou D'Amaro and the Suffolk County Department of Social Services (DSS) are asking residents to help by cleaning out their bureaus and closets and bringing gently-used or new clothing to donate at his local district office, located at 130 West Jericho Turnpike in Huntington Station.

“We all have clothes in our closets and drawers that are still in wonderful condition, but we just never wear,” D'Amaro said. “Rather than having them continue to sit there unused, we can donate them to help those less fortunate.”

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is coordinating the collections and will be cleaning and sorting the donations by size and gender prior to delivering and assisting with distribution at the event. Last year more than 850 people attended the Stand Up for the Homeless event so clothing for all sizes and all seasons are needed.

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Clothing Drive Underway

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Donations are welcome Monday through Friday between 9 am and 5 pm between now and August 20th. For more information on the clothing drive, contact Legislator D'Amaro's office at (631) 854-4433

For more information on the Stand Up for the Homeless event, which is being held August 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 2pm at Suffolk Community College in Brentwood and includes health and dental screenings, food counseling and information on employment opportunities and veterans services, please contact Michael Gudema from DSS at (631) 854-9930.

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*Suffolk County Legislator Lou D'Amaro represents the 17<sup>th</sup> Legislative District, which includes parts of Huntington, Huntington Station, South Huntington, Melville, West Hills, Cold Spring Hills, Dix Hills, Deer Park, North Babylon and West Babylon. He is chairman of the Budget & Finance committee and a member of the Education & Information Technology and Human Services committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.*