



# TOWN OF HUNTINGTON Access Newsletter

2021 Edition



Hello Huntington residents!

Now that 2020 is behind us, the Town of Huntington wants to ensure that our residents can enjoy all the Town has to offer in 2021. A few things to note about our Town:

**Stay Informed:** Receive our emergency and non-emergency robo calls, emails and/or texts by signing up at [HuntingtonNY.gov/alert](https://HuntingtonNY.gov/alert) or text HuntingtonNY to 99411.

### In case of Weather Emergencies:

- To report a power outage or a downed wire, call PSEG Long Island at 800-490-0075 or text OUT to PSEGLI.
- **Seniors:** A storm may affect the Senior Center’s meal pickup and delivery programs. If you have any questions or concerns, please call (631) 351-3253 or (631) 351-3304.
- **Trash Pickup:** Residential trash collection may be cancelled due to a storm please call (631) 351-3186 with any questions.
- **HART Bus Service:** Fixed Route and Paratransit bus services will determine storm-related impacts on services by 6:00 AM. If you have any questions in regard to schedule please call HART bus at (631) 427-8287 or the Department of Transportation and Traffic Safety at (631) 351-3053.

### Automatic 2021 Renewal Process for Senior/Disability Low Income Exemptions Passes

The Town Board established procedures allowing the automatic renewal of the Senior/Disability Low Income Exemptions for applicants who received these real property tax exemptions in 2020; those who received the exemption in 2020 will receive the same exemption in 2021 automatically without an application, as long as their eligibility for these exemptions is maintained.

In early December 2020, I joined with fellow Suffolk County Supervisor colleagues in urging Governor Cuomo to intervene on behalf of municipalities across the State to assist those most in need allowing for the creation of an automatic renewal process for Senior/Disability Low Income Exemptions for 2021. The New York State COVID-19 Emergency Eviction and Foreclosure Prevention Act of 2020, enacted on December 28, 2020, provided for the renewal of such exemptions.

### Parks & Recreation

The Town opened the Harborfields Community Playground in March of 2019, a fully inclusive playground for children of all physical abilities on the school property behind the Harborfields Public Library in Greenlawn. The playground is a joint project between the Town of Huntington and the Harborfields School District. The playground offers children between two and twelve years of age a diverse array of equipment, including slides, play panels, swings, and climbers. Special inclusive elements include a cushioned, rubberized surface, accessible swings, double-wide wheelchair ramps, a feature specifically designed for children with sensory sensitivities, a rocking element that can accommodate both wheelchairs and seated children, and a new accessible walkway that connects the playground to nearby streets.

As for our other parks, Crab Meadow Beach and Hobart Beach both have ADA-compliant playgrounds. There is the boundless playground at Veterans Park in East Northport, which provides fun for children of all ability levels. The Town has a swing for disabled children at Heckscher and Veterans Parks. Three Town parks: Caledonia, Elwood and William E. Kessler have handicap accessible picnic areas, as does the bocce court at Elwood Park. All comfort stations at Town parks are handicap accessible.

### Beach Stickers

Free beach stickers are available to persons 60 years of age or older, and for persons **under 60** who have a disability and **meet income eligibility guidelines**. Persons **60 or older** can obtain a sticker at Centerport Beach, Crab Meadow and West Neck Beach from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Persons with disabilities can call Janet Serrao (631) 351-3068 to have an application mailed to them or can download the application from the Town’s website at [Huntingtonny.gov](https://Huntingtonny.gov).

### Vaccinations

Late in March, New York State approved the request made by the entire Huntington Town Board in January to make the Senior Center a vaccination site. This approval was also made possible by the Town’s collaboration with the Health Equity Task Force-Northwell Health. The dates were approved for March 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup> for the first dose and April 19<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup> for the second dose for persons age 60 or older. Six hundred vaccinations were given between the two dates. The State notified the Town on Tuesday to be ready to deliver the vaccines on Monday. The Human Services Department- Senior Division, came through notifying seniors in the community. A complete success! More seniors are protected now.

Stay safe, stay healthy and enjoy the good weather coming soon!

Sincerely,

**Chad A. Lupinacci**

*Supervisor, Town of Huntington*

**Supervisor Chad A. Lupinacci**

**Councilman Mark Cuthbertson  
Councilwoman Joan Cergol**



**Councilman Eugene Cook  
Councilman Edmund J.M. Smyth**

## Resources for Persons with Disabilities

### **Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center: Long Island Events & Seminars**

Phone: (631) 580-5100

<http://www.adrcinc.org/>

### **Disabled American Veterans Transportation Network at the Northport VA Medical Center**

Phone: (631) 261-4400 ext. 7487

<http://suffolkcountyny.gov/veterans/transportation.aspx>

### **Office of Disability Employment, U.S. Department of Labor**

Phone: (866) 633-7365

<https://www.dol.gov/odep/>

### **Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind**

Phone: (631) 930-9000

<https://www.guidedog.org/>

### **Long Island Alzheimer's Foundation (LIAF)**

Phone: (516) 767-6856

<https://www.liaf.org/>

### **NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness**

Phone: (631) 385-0754

<http://www.nami-huntington.org/>

### **New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)**

Phone: (866) 946-9733 Suffolk County: (631) 434-6100

<https://opwdd.ny.gov/>

### **SILO - Suffolk Independent Living Organization**

Phone: (631) 880-7929

<http://www.siloinc.org/>

### **Special Olympics**

Phone: (631) 254-1465

<http://specialolympics-ny.org/>

### **Suffolk County Office for People with Disabilities**

Phone: (631) 853-8333

<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/CountyExecutive/PeoplewithDisabilities.aspx>

### **Town of Huntington Office for Persons With Disabilities**

Phone: (631) 351-3068

<http://www.huntingtonny.gov/content/13749/13861/16626/99666/16632/default.aspx>

### **United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Suffolk, Inc.**

Phone: (631) 232-0011

<http://ucp-li.org/>

### **Huntington YMCA**

Phone: (631) 421-4242

<https://ymcali.org/locations/huntington-ymca>

### **The Social Security Administration Ticket to Work Program**

(866) 968-7842 / (866) 833-2967 (TTY)

<https://www.ssa.gov/work/>

Anyone age 18 to 64 who receives Social Security Disability Insurance and/or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is eligible to participate in this program. Participation is voluntary and free. Services available through this program include career counseling, vocational rehabilitation and job placement and training.



**Check all these agencies out!  
They have lots of services for people with disabilities!**

# **Resources for Persons with Disabilities**

## **Suffolk County Office for People with Disabilities (OPD)**

Phone: (631) 853-8333

<https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Elected-Officials/County-Executive/People-With-Disabilities>

### **Handicapped Hotline**

OPD operates a Handicapped Hotline to answer questions on jobs, housing, education, transportation, health services, rehabilitation, etc.

### **Information and Referral Programs**

OPD acts as a one-stop information resource for disabled persons. Appropriate referrals will be made to public and private agencies.

### **ID Card Program - (631) 853-8335**

OPD has established the Suffolk County Handicapped Identification Card Program. Eligible permanently disabled county residents may apply for an ID card, which, when used with the Parks Department Green Key card gives free "weekday" admission to county parks and reduced rates at some recreational activities. It also provides reduced fares on county bus routes. For bus route schedule information, phone number (631) 852-5200 weekdays from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

### **Advocacy Programs**

OPD has an advocacy program to foster positive change in areas where problems exist for people with disabilities.

### **Ombudsman Service**

OPD contacts both public and private agencies for clients in an effort to cut red tape.

### **Accessibility Program (631) 853-4405**

Working in conjunction with other county departments, OPD fosters the removal of architectural barriers and provides technical assistance.

### **Deaf Telephone Access Center**

OPD operates a Text Telephone (TTY), a Deaf Message Relay Center for all county departments and agencies. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals who have their own TTY's can contact Suffolk County Government directly by telephone to conduct business.

### **Employment Program**

OPD coordinates the Section 55A employment program for people with disabilities under the State Civil Service Law. Suffolk County leads other New York State counties in employment of people with disabilities in this program.

### **Handicapped Parking Enforcement Program (631) 853-4405**

OPD, in conjunction with local Police Departments, has implemented a Handicap Parking Enforcement Program where volunteer agents patrol with Polaroid cameras to ticket violators. Parking areas are also checked for compliance with the handicapped parking requirements of the State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Violations in the Town of Huntington, please call (631) 351-3234.

### **Paratransit Eligibility ID Card Program - (631) 738-1150**

Under strict Americans with Disabilities Act Regulations, OPD certifies paratransit eligibility and issues Suffolk County Accessible Transit (SCAT) ID cards. In general, under federal regulations, curb-to-curb paratransit services are only for those who are unable to use the regular public bus system because of a physical or mental disability. All regular Suffolk County Transit buses are wheelchair lift-equipped. OPD reviews applications and issues SCAT paratransit ID cards.

**Paratransit Trip Reservations:** Rides are on a first-call, first-served basis. Once you have a SCAT paratransit ID card, to arrange for a ride call: **Suffolk Paratransit Dispatcher (631) 491-6500, Huntington Town Paratransit (631) 427-8287.**

## Local Emergency Agencies

Centerport Fire Department  
9 Park Circle  
Centerport  
Emergency: (631) 757-4444  
Non-emergency: (631) 261-5916

Cold Spring Harbor Fire Department  
2 Main Street  
Cold Spring Harbor  
Emergency: (631) 692-4747  
Non-emergency: (631) 692-6772

Commack Fire Department  
6309 Jericho Turnpike  
Commack  
Emergency: (631) 499-5777  
Non-Emergency: (631) 499-6690

Dix Hills Fire Department  
115 East Deer Park Road  
Dix Hills  
Emergency: 911  
Non-emergency: (631) 499-8836

East Northport Fire Department  
55 Eaton's Neck Road  
Northport  
Emergency: (631) 757-5700  
Non-emergency: (631) 757-8932

Greenlawn Fire Department  
23 Boulevard Avenue  
Greenlawn  
Emergency: (631) 261-1616  
Non-emergency: (631) 261-9106

Halesite Fire Department  
1 North New York Avenue  
Huntington  
Emergency: (631) 427-7250  
Non-emergency: (631) 427-1910

Huntington Fire Department  
1 Leverich Place  
Huntington  
Emergency: (631) 423-3131  
Non-emergency: (631) 427-3030

Huntington Manor Fire Department  
1650 New York Ave  
Huntington  
Emergency: (631) 385-3434  
Non-emergency: (631) 427-1629

Melville Fire Department  
531 Sweet Hollow Road  
Melville  
Emergency: (631) 547-4121  
Non-emergency: (631) 423-2635

Northport Fire Department  
204 Main Street  
Northport  
Emergency: (631) 757-1111  
Non-emergency: (631) 261-7504

Commack Volunteer Ambulance Corps  
P.O. Box 819  
Commack  
Emergency: 911  
Non-emergency: (631) 499-9342

Huntington Community First Aid Squad  
2 Railroad Street  
Huntington Station  
Emergency: 911  
Non-emergency: (631) 421-1263

Suffolk County Department of Fire, Rescue,  
and Emergency Services (FRES)  
P.O. Box 127—Yaphank Avenue  
Yaphank  
(631) 852-4900

Suffolk County Chapter Red Cross  
95 Horseblock Road  
Yaphank  
(631) 924-6700

Huntington/Smithtown Red Cross Regional  
Office  
90 High Street  
Huntington  
(631) 423-0307

# Town of Huntington Information

## **Transportation and Traffic Safety**

Pedestrian signal equipment at most existing traffic signals have the capability of being upgraded with equipment that operates with an audible or sound feature. This feature can be requested by contacting the Department of Transportation and Traffic Safety, (631) 351-3053, if they are located at intersections.

## **Public Safety**

- ◆ Public Safety has two roles for parking:
  1. Security Division: enforces illegal parking in parking zones for persons with disabilities within town properties and some authorized private properties.
  2. Code Enforcement: in case there is a Segway alteration to the parking spaces by moving them or changing them, Public Safety can issue them a violation.
- ◆ Public Safety monitors cameras that are throughout the town at parks, beaches and town buildings. If there is an incident, they will alert the patrols that are in the area.
- ◆ Public Safety Agents and Park Rangers are trained to interact in diverse situations.
- ◆ Public Safety is working on updating signage at the parks to state what is and what is not allowed at the park.
- ◆ If you believe you see something that is unauthorized, you may call the Public Safety Hotline at: (631) 351-3234.

## **Assessor**

The Huntington Town Board held its January 12, 2021 meeting remotely and broadcast meeting audio and video live, establishing the automatic renewal of the Senior/Disability Low Income Exemptions for 2021 and applying for \$25 billion in grant funding from the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

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## **Town Clerk's Office**

### **Renewal of Permanent NYS Department of Motor Vehicles Disability Parking Permits**

Huntington Town Clerk Andrew P. Raia wishes to remind resident permanent Disability Parking Permit holders that there will be a renewal by mail of all permanent (blue hang-tag) permits that are expiring on September 30, 2021. The new permits will expire on September 30, 2024.

Renewal letters and applications will be mailed in May to those residents who were issued a Disability Parking Permit from the Town Clerk's office and will contain instructions to follow. After applications have been reviewed and approved; all renewed permits will be mailed out in early September.

If you do not receive your renewal application in the mail by June 1st, or if you misplace your renewal application, please be sure to contact the Town Clerk's office at (631) 351-3206, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. and you will be mailed another renewal application.

Since there are over 13,000 permits to be renewed, please return your renewal application as soon as possible in order to ensure that you receive your new permit before September 30.

## Town of Huntington Snow Berm Removal

The Office of the Highway Superintendent will remove the mound of snow from your driveway within the right of way caused by the plows if you are a person with a disability, meet the income eligibility criteria and you do not have an able-bodied person with whom you reside to remove the berm caused by the plow trucks.

**This program requires annual re-registration.** Starting in November, applications for the next winter storm season may be submitted. Applications for this program may be obtained by calling Janet Serrao in the Office of Disability Services at (631) 351-3068 or download application at [HuntingtonNY.gov/snow-berm-removal](https://HuntingtonNY.gov/snow-berm-removal)

If you do not fall within the income guidelines and would like to get your snow berm removed/cleared, please contact the Human Services office in Town Hall at 631-351-3068 for a list of vendors **prior** to the snow fall. Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm.

- Christopher Higgins: 631-360-0016 (Area 11) Fort Salonga or Elwood
- Gene @ Nightingale Landscapes: 516-790-1037 (Area 7) Dix Hills
- Gus @ Anax Home Improvement: 631-462-2262 (Area 10)\*\* East Northport
- Bennett Pizzurro: 631-423-4810 (Area 12) Dix Hills or Huntington Station
- Brendon Casey: 631-741-5784 Centerport
- Brendon Casey Jr.: 631-421-1977 Centerport
- Richard Gomberg: 516-652-6771 Melville
- Jack Bento: 516-984-4943 Huntington or Dix Hills
- John Joyce: 516-702-8571 Huntington
- Mike Winepol: 631-664-5105 Huntington Station
- Ciro Aliperti: 516-330-9358 East Northport



Please keep in mind the vendors have expressed an interest in providing residents of the Town with such assistance for a fee. The Town of Huntington is not in contract with these companies.

## Where Are Dogs Allowed and Not Allowed?

After two trials were done throughout 2020, it has been decided by the Town Board that leashed dogs will be allowed at Heckscher Park. Here are some things to keep in mind:

- Leashes may not be greater than 6 feet in length and should not run at large.
- Dog waste must be immediately collected and removed by the owner or person in charge of the dog.

**Dogs leashed and/or unleashed are not allowed at the following town properties or parts thereof:**

- Betty Allen Nature Preserve
- Heckscher Park's Harry Chapin Rainbow Stage area during performances or events
- All playgrounds
- All picnic areas
- All park benches
- All active recreation areas including but not limited to courts and sports fields
- All town camp or town-licensed education program areas
- All town beaches except for paved areas and boardwalks



## Free Services for Youth and Adults with Vision and Hearing Loss

Services from the Helen Keller National Center can include low vision and audiology screenings, adaptive equipment and training for safer independent living and travel, assistive technology training, and help with preparing for and finding employment. All services and equipment are funded by the New York State Commission for the Blind with no out of pocket costs for eligible individuals. For more information about eligibility and services, please contact Debbie Fiderer at 516-944-8900 x333 or [Debbie.Fiderer@hknc.org](mailto:Debbie.Fiderer@hknc.org).

## Resident Recreation I.D. Card

Resident Recreation I.D. Cards (and Golf I.D. Cards) are for residents only and offer discounts on Parks & Recreation Department programs, admission to the ice rink, swimming pool, Town of Huntington golf courses, and free entry into the spray park! Purchases and renewals can be now done online and by email. This new process allows residents to receive the benefits of obtaining one of these cards without the stress of visiting a Town facility. Online Purchase or Renewal: <https://huntingtonny.formstack.com/forms/recid>

Email Purchase or Renewal:

Use your smart phone to take a picture of your photo ID and utility or tax bill with your current address and name on it and email it to the Parks Department at [parksandrec@huntingtonny.gov](mailto:parksandrec@huntingtonny.gov).

Let them know what kind of card you would like to purchase:

- o 1-Year Adult Rec Card - \$25
- o 2-Year Adult Rec Card - \$40
- o 2-Year Teen / Senior / Disabled Rec Card - \$15
- o 1-Year Golf Card (all) - \$30
- o 2-Year Golf Card (all) - \$50

**The Parks Department will then follow up with you to help complete the transaction!**

When your payment is made, the card will be eligible to be used online immediately for admissions to the ice rink or to sign up for any Parks and Recreation Programs. We will also mail the physical card to your home.



## Swimming Classes for Persons with Disabilities

Swim classes for persons with disabilities are given at the Dix Hills Park Swimming Pool. The facility is fully handicap accessible and features a mechanical chair lift that can accommodate those with more substantial disabilities. Contact **Parks and Recreation** for more information: (631) 351-3089.



Campers who have various developmental disabilities will experience true fun and develop friendships at Camp Bright Star, in a safe, caring and structured environment. Activities include swimming, sports, arts & crafts, music, creative arts, trips and special events such as; carnivals, camp plays, talent shows, and picnics. There is an application and evaluation process for new campers. For more information on this process, please contact the Department of Parks and Recreation at (631) 351-3071. Due to COVID-19, 2021 registration will be online only beginning March 15 for residents at 10 am and beginning March 22 for non-residents at 10 am.



## Town of Huntington Beach Stickers



Free beach stickers are available to persons 60 years of age or older, and for persons **under 60** who have a disability and **meet income eligibility guidelines**. Persons **60 or older** can obtain a beach sticker at Centerport Beach, Crab Meadow and West Neck Beach from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Persons with disabilities can call Janet Serrao (631) 351-3068 to have an application mailed to them or by downloading the application from the Town's website: <https://www.huntingtonny.gov/disability-beach-stickers>

## **DISABILITY PARKING**

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles parking permits for persons with disabilities, permanent or temporary in nature that affect mobility, are issued to Town residents through the Town Clerk's Office. An application (either downloaded from the Town's website or obtained from Andrew Raia, Town Clerk, 100 Main Street, Room 102, Huntington, New York 11743) must be completed by the applicant and the applicant's physician.

<https://www.huntingtonny.gov/disability-permits>





**COVID is challenging  
our community  
and we're here to  
help you cope ...**



Join the Virtual  
**Support Groups**

**2pm-3pm**

Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays

**6pm-7pm**

Tuesdays & Thursdays

**10am-11am**

Saturdays



**Connect and gain support from  
those who can relate.**

**Enter Zoom ID & Passcode to Join:**

Meeting ID: 939 2266 2794

Passcode: 659532



**For More Information:**

516-510-0282

[projecthopeinfo@eac-network.org](mailto:projecthopeinfo@eac-network.org)



**Free, anonymous & confidential**

NY Project Hope  
Coping with COVID



A program of the NYS Office of Mental Health  
Funded by FEMA





Here to **Talk**  
Here to **Listen**  
Here to **Support**

**516-510-0282**

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Coping with COVID



**Who Can Benefit**

ANYONE Impacted by COVID-19

**Uncertainty**  
Loss  
Grief  
Stress  
Financial Strain



**How We Can Help**

Emotional Support Helpline

Educational Materials

Trusted Referrals



Mon-Fri  
8a-8p

Sat  
8a-4p



516-510-0282



nyprojecthope.org

## ***News from the Town of Huntington - Senior Division...***

These have been unprecedented times for all. The administration and staff of our Senior Division value and appreciate the community's generosity and resilience throughout the Covid 19 pandemic. To further support the needs of our town's senior citizen population, we want to share information about Senior Center Programming. Did you know...

**The Adult Day Care Program** continues to actively engage members (functionally impaired) and caregivers via, phone, email and with interactive themed Zoom classes such as Jeopardy, Word Games and Bingo. Beloved staff provide musical entertainment, exercise and yoga in addition to seasonal presentations about current events and pertinent issues i.e., Black History Month, International Women's Day, Valentine's Day, etc. We are known for the occasional drive-by offering games and crafts at home and regularly initiate inspiring conversation over the phone. Virtual support services for caregivers are on-going.

**The Congregate Frozen Meal** pick up program occurs on Mondays between the hours of 12 PM and 2 PM at the **Senior Center** 423 Park Avenue, Huntington for residents who are registered at the Senior Nutrition Center. The drive-by meal pick up program allows seniors to remain in their vehicles, check in, and give their voluntary contribution (suggested \$2.00 per meal/\$10.00 per week) before picking up five frozen meals. For information regarding how to register, please call the Senior Center.

**Home Delivered Meal** deliveries include (5) frozen meals, delivered on Mondays and Tuesdays to home bound senior residents who are registered for the Home Delivered Meals Program. For information regarding how to register, please call the Senior Center.

**The Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP)** continues to serve enrolled members, Monday-Friday as scheduled. For information please call the Senior Center.

**The Notify Me** program is an opportunity for residents to receive weekly electronic updates regarding a variety of pertinent Town related topics. To register, please visit our website <https://www.huntingtonny.gov/content/13865/19050.aspx>

**Residential Repair** program continues to service our senior citizen population with minor home repairs on a safety first, priority driven basis. For information please call the Senior Center.

**Senior Support Services** are available at the Senior Center. Social Worker and senior advocates are ready to assist. Please call the Senior Center to inquire.

**The Telephone Reassurance** program reaches out to the senior citizen population via phone for personalized communication and wellness checks on an on-going basis.

**Although the Senior Center is currently closed to the public, staff are on site to assist/answer questions by phone from Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, (631) 351-3253.**

Additional Town of Huntington Senior programming is available online. Please visit: [www.HuntingtonNY.gov/Seniors](http://www.HuntingtonNY.gov/Seniors)

The Town of Huntington Senior Division eagerly looks forward to the day when we are permitted to reopen.

# **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**



Local public transportation is available Monday through Saturday. The Town of Huntington's HART system (631) 427-8287 and Suffolk County Transit (631) 852-5200 operate a network of regularly scheduled bus routes that serve many of the places seniors might want to travel, including the Senior Center. Buses are handicap accessible. Senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and Medicare cardholders are eligible to pay reduced fares.

Minibus service is also provided, at somewhat higher fares to persons who are prevented from using the regular buses because of a disability. This paratransit service is operated on a shared-ride, advance-request, curb-to-curb basis by HART (for rides entirely within the Town of Huntington) and Suffolk County's SCAT program (for rides within Suffolk but not entirely within the Town). Both agencies require prior enrollment by application. Personal travel assistance is limited. HART also extends paratransit service, with reduced priority, to non-disabled senior citizen residents who do not drive and do not have access to regular buses. Paratransit is not offered as a more convenient alternative to regularly scheduled buses.

**HART Paratransit is now accepting applications to provide service for Town residents who wish to go to the following Health Care Facilities along Commack Road in Commack: Memorial-Sloan Kettering, St. Catherine & St. Charles Health & Wellness Center, and Stony Brook Advanced Specialty Care.**

**For information call:**

**HART at (631) 427-8287 [TTY: (800) 662-1220]  
SCAT at (631) 853-8337 [TTY: (631) 853-5658]  
Bus schedules are available at the Senior Center**

**Paratransit hours of operation are:  
Monday through Friday 6:55 am - 7 pm  
Saturday 9 am - 6:55 pm**

HART has enhanced cleaning and sanitizing routines of their buses and monitor what the neighboring transit agencies are doing in order to continue keeping the community safe.

## **MTA Long Island Rail Road:**

Approximately 85% of MTA Long Island Railroads are accessible via ramps and/or elevators. They are: Babylon, Rockville Centre, Seaford, Wantagh, Atlantic Terminal - Brooklyn, Jamaica, Penn Station, Woodside, Hempstead, Queens Village, Long Beach, Lynbrook, Patchogue, Hicksville, Huntington, Mineola, Northport, Port Jefferson, Flushing, Great Neck, Port Washington, Ronkonkoma, and Belmont Park. Elevator installation projects are underway or about to begin at Nostrand Avenue, Murray Hill and Floral Park stations.

The Long Island Railroad has also launched a new program called LIRR CARE, which help individuals with special needs receive assistance with the bridge-plate to board the train. To ensure adequate time for assistance, it is recommended customers call (718) 547-7227 at least two hours before the desired departure time. The customer should provide the date, departure time, where they will be departing from and the destination.

People with disability parking permits can always park for free at metered spaces within Huntington Village and at the Huntington LIRR Train Station parking lot all year long, as long as the vehicle has handicap license plates or displays a valid disability parking permit.

There is never a fee for parking in one of the six spaces in the parking lot in front of the Huntington LIRR Train Station dedicated for handicap parking next to the station house, as long as the vehicle has handicap license plates or displays a valid disability parking permit.



**Suffolk County  
Executive Steven Bellone**

## SUFFOLK CARES



**Food Delivery  
Program for  
those who are  
Homebound  
and in Dire  
Need**

Call 311 if you are in need of food and do not have ANY access to transportation

- You will be asked a few questions as part of Suffolk's 311 assessment
- When approved for food delivery, you will receive a box of non-perishable food items within 24-30 hours of your request
- Non-perishable food items will be dropped at your place of residence-no contact with delivery person
- Call 311 Monday-Friday between the hours of 9:00am-4:30pm (if you call on a Friday, food will be delivered on Monday)



### GET YOUR **FREE** HOME ENERGY AUDIT TODAY!

Get a **FREE** energy audit & find the areas where your home is wasting energy

Fix problem areas with affordable energy upgrades

Save \$1,000 a year on your home energy bills

Make your home more comfortable year round

Long Island Green Homes makes energy efficiency simple and easy. Our knowledgeable Energy Navigators are ready to guide you every step of the way.



Regardless of income level, if you are a Long Island homeowner you can participate in Long Island Green Homes. Assistance of 10-50% is available for home energy improvements depending on your family's income and size.



New York State also provides low interest financing for approved energy efficiency measures. Home improvements can be made with little to no out-of-pocket expenses.



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# Town of Huntington Citizens Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 45th Anniversary

*The Citizens Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was founded in 1976. It is comprised of residents from the Town who are interested in issues related to disabilities. Carmen Kasper, Director of Human Services is the liaison to this Committee.*

*The Town of Huntington Citizens Advisory Committee meets the third Wednesday in the months of: January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October and November from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The meetings are open to all residents. For more information, please contact: [humanservices@huntingtonny.gov](mailto:humanservices@huntingtonny.gov) or call (631) 351-3304.*



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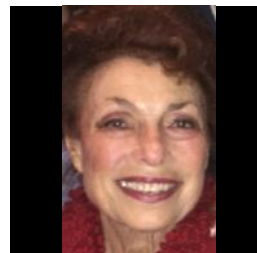
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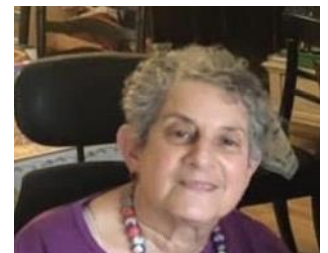
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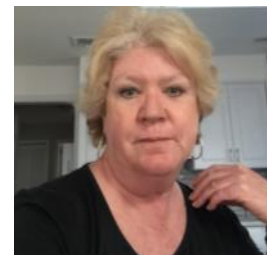
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**Upcoming Huntington Town Board Meetings**

April 13 - 7 pm  
May 11 - 2 pm  
June 15 - 7 pm  
July 13 - 2 pm  
August 17 - 7 pm  
September 14 - 2 pm  
October 13 - 7 pm  
November 4 - 7 pm  
November 18 - 7 pm  
December 14 - 2 pm



Councilman  
Edmund J.M. Smyth

Most all Town Board Meetings are held at Huntington Town Hall,  
100 Main Street, Huntington  
Meetings can also be viewed on the Town's public access channels  
18 on Optimum and 38 on Verizon.

**Carmen Kasper**

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