

Councilman Jared Rice
270 North Avenue, #202
New Rochelle, NY 10801



COUNCILMAN JARED RICE



Hard at work for you!

Contact information:

Email: Jared@JaredRice.org

Website: www.jaredrice.org

 Councilman Jared Rice

 @CouncilmanRice

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Police Department: 914-654-2300

Fire Department: 914-654-2212

For all emergenciesdial 911

Department of Public Works: 914-654-2131

Department of Buildings: 914-654-2035

Department of Finance: 914-654-2062

Department of Parks & Recreation: .. 914-654-2087

City Clerk's Office: 914-654-2159

COUNCILMAN JARED RICE

Hard at work for you!



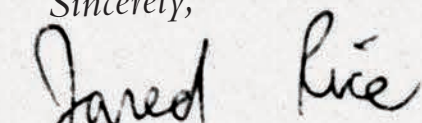
Dear Neighbor,

Nothing brings me greater joy than to represent you in the City Council. I strive every day to make our district and city a better place for all people. In this newsletter I share some of the achievements we've made over the past year from initiating a jobs program for youth, to providing relief to flood victims.

There is more to be done and I will be with you every step of the way. Please feel free to contact me for any constituent matters.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,


Councilman, District 3

In This Issue:

Iona College and our
New Rochelle Community

Construction Jobs in
New Rochelle

Flooding Relief for
Halcyon Park Residents

Councilman Rice's Leadership
Recognized by Local Group



COUNCILMAN JARED RICE

Hard at work for you!

Iona College and our New Rochelle Community

To address the student housing needs of Iona College’s undergraduate students, Iona College officials, New Rochelle community members, and representatives from the City of the New Rochelle formed a committee to come up with a solution to address Iona’s housing needs while benefiting the community. After more than a year and a half of meetings that Councilman Rice was a part of, the Community-College Planning Committee proposed to rezone a significant portion of the North Avenue

corridor designated as the “North Avenue Zone”. Councilman Rice was instrumental in the passage of this proposal into actual law where density along this part of North Avenue can increase from three stories to seven stories if it is for college related usage. Under this plan, student housing needs can be met, the burden of student housing in residential neighborhoods can be eased, and commercial viability and walkability along North Avenue can be increased.



Councilman Rice, city officials, and graduates of the NY Youth Works program

Construction Jobs in New Rochelle

In an effort to tackle the high unemployment rate among youth in certain areas of the City and to give them quality job training to compete for good paying jobs, Councilman Rice strongly advocated for the launch of the NY Youth Works program. Led by the New Rochelle Municipal Housing Authority (NRMHA), the program graduated 14 youth with marketable construction skills, and integrated them into the local work force, much of which was with the newly completed phase one of the Heritage Homes development sponsored by NRMHA.

With the success of the first program, the City of New Rochelle is set to launch a second construction training course labeled “New Ro Works”. Under this, the City has put out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to seek out a qualified partner capable of providing such training. The long term goal is to create a New Rochelle based construction workforce that can work on future development projects that take place in the City. This new program will further increase needed economic development in our community. Councilman Rice will continue to support programs that create real opportunities for all New Rochelle residents.

Flooding Relief for Halcyon Park Residents

Halcyon Park in New Rochelle has long been a victim of massive flooding. On April 15, 2007, an enormous storm impacted Halcyon Park and put the neighborhood under several feet of water where homes were destroyed and property was lost. Due to flooding and sewage backup, many residents had to be evacuated. Currently, the neighborhood still suffers from chronic flooding.

This will soon change as the City of New Rochelle has received a \$1.7 million grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to overhaul the storm drainage system in the area.

There has been unanimous support for the project by the City Council, especially from Councilman Rice who lives in Halcyon Park.



Residents of Halcyon Park are pleased that the grant and subsequent changes to the sewer and drainage system will help relieve the neighborhood flooding. Work is expected to begin once the review process is complete and matching City funds are allocated.

Councilman Rice’s Leadership Recognized by Local Group

On June 22, 2013, Westchester Community Opportunity Program (WestCOP) and its subsidiary, New Rochelle Community Action Program (CAP) presented Councilman Rice with a Stakeholders Award for his role in the purchase of the Martin Luther King (MLK) Center at 95 Lincoln Avenue. Rice’s work resulted in the City of New Rochelle’s approval of an offer by WestCOP to acquire the formerly City owned property. Since 1984, operating out of the MLK center, the New Rochelle CAP has provided a range of services to local residents, including the providing of food, victim

assistance services, youth tutoring, parent education, and senior health services. With all of its importance, the center has become a landmark in the community.

Due to the efforts of Councilman Rice, New Rochelle CAP will now be able to expand its services and support the needs of many local residents. Additionally, New Rochelle CAP will also now have the option to collaborate with other nonprofit organizations for more innovative services for the community. Currently, plans to create a community resource center at the MLK are being developed.