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Honoring Workforce Heroes

United Way of Long Island will be celebrating and honoring Long Island’s Workforce Heroes with a Virtual Salute & Recognition Ceremony from 1 to 1:30 p.m. Funds raised will support Long Island families who have been affected by COVID-19. Do you know a Long Island Hero in the Workforce who you would like to spotlight? Put the limelight on a hero, someone who has been uplifting and made a positive impact on your life; making this year brighter. This includes champions from healthcare, retail, restaurant, non-profit, food and grocery, public service, education, small businesses, labor unions, and more. Submit your Workforce Hero’s name and why that person is your hero. Then on June 16, your honoree will be highlighted on a special virtual ‘Wall of Heroes’ to be featured during the ceremony. The event will include a Virtual Salute and a Candle Lighting Tribute to remember lives lost to COVID-19 over the past year. Ticket packages available. Learn more at https://www.unitedwayli.org/virtualsalute. For more information contact Vickie Cella at 631-940-3714 or vcella@unitedwayli.org.

https://longislandweekly.com/calendar-of-events-june-16-27/
Long Island Insurance Company Raises $20K For Veterans

_Funds were raised through United Way's Mission United t-shirt campaign._

**Press Release Desk, News Partner**

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_The Long Island Insurance Community (LIIC) raised $20,000 through United Way of Long Island's Mission United t-shirt campaign, all in support veterans and their families. (Photo via United Way of Long Island)_

Press release from United Way of Long Island:

June 15, 2021

Memorial Day was an occasion to remember our military members who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom, as well as reflect on how we can support the men and women who served. This past year has been extraordinarily challenging, especially for the many veterans who have been sheltering-in-place and/or are on a fixed income. In response, the Long Island Insurance Community (LIIC) through United Way's Mission United t-shirt campaign, raised $20,000 in support of local veterans.

The LIIC has actively been fundraising for the Mission United campaign for over a decade. Insurance industry professionals, when making a contribution, receive uniquely designed apparel to wear proudly, showing support for our veterans. This year the members decided that rather than keep the attire, they would gift 1,000 of the t-shirts to veterans across our region. By donating the shirts and raising $20,000, the LIIC is making double the impact.
"We are incredibly pleased by the response of the insurance community's participation in the LIIC Mission United campaign. Not only did we reach our goal...we exceeded it! The LIIC community has a heartfelt appreciation for veterans and they really want to help our heroes during these challenging times," said Gloria Gargano, Co-Chair of the Long Island Insurance Community and United Way of Long Island Board of Directors member.

The funds raised by the LIIC will support United Way's programs that provide veterans and military families with emergency financial assistance, training and key referrals to secure careers, as well as vital case management services.

"For 26 years, the Long Island Insurance Community has been committed to helping Long Islanders. We are grateful to have the LIIC as an ally in providing veterans with the resources they need the most," said Theresa A. Regnante, President & CEO of United Way of Long Island.

The Mission United t-shirts were included into personal care kits filled with PPE, hygiene and snack items, all donated by Bethpage Federal Credit Union. The kits, which include hand sanitizer, a first aid kit, deodorant, socks, toothbrush, toothpaste, The Bountiful Company protein bars and Girl Scout cookies are being delivered to veterans organizations across Long Island.

"This is a great example of a hospital-community partnership that delivers community programs and services to our nation's Veterans. When we talk about elevating our Veteran communities, we know that achieving this at its highest level takes more than one person or organization. Community engagement is a shared responsibility. Addressing social barriers to health thrives on partnerships and community-driven solutions. By involving the right community partners that address the most pressing health needs of our Veteran communities we serve, is why we are here today," said Dr. Antonio Sanchez, Executive Director of The Northport VA Medical Center.

To learn more about the Long Island Insurance Community, visit www.L-I-I-C.org or United Way's Mission United visit www.unitedwayli.org/missionunited.

This press release was produced by United Way of Long Island. The views expressed here are the author's own.

The Long Island Insurance Community raised $20,000 through United Way of Long Island’s Mission United t-shirt campaign, all to support veterans and their families. The campaign included gifts of apparel and personal care kits to veterans’ organizations across Long Island including the Northport Medical VA Center.
HOME & DESIGN

June Begins Hurricane Season

Long Island can be an extremely vulnerable region to natural disasters, especially hurricanes. June marks the beginning of the Atlantic Hurricane Season, which runs through Nov. 30. Due to the pandemic, in 2020 neighbors were faced with more health and safety concerns than ever. The dangers that came from last year’s destructive storm, Hurricane Isaias, were vast, and at the same time there was a shortage of product essentials. With 18 named storms predicted for 2021, it is crucial to be prepared for potential disasters, especially for vulnerable populations including seniors and young children.

Recognizing the importance of preparedness, United Way of Long Island, 211 Long Island and PSEG Long Island developed BeReadyLI.org, a comprehensive online resource aimed at helping residents prepare before, during and after disasters.

BeReadyLI.org provides families with timely and accurate tips, resources and information. Included on the site are simple and affordable ways to help families be prepared for natural disasters and other emergencies—this includes packing a supply kit with essentials such as flashlights, batteries and a first aid kit.

As an educational tool, parents and caretakers can learn how to involve children in creating a family disaster and evacuation plan; discover what documents are most important to keep flood-and-fire proof; and understand measures to take into consideration when planning emergency safety for seniors and people with disabilities. Other available resources include weather and transportation updates, town and village contact information and access to utility websites.

BeReadyLI encourages everyone to take the ‘Pledge to be Prepared.’ To take the pledge and learn more on how you can prepare for an emergency, visit www.BeReadyLI.org.

—Submitted by United Way of Long Island

Also Appeared in:
Wallace Eannace Contributes To Net Zero Energy Challenge

United Way of Long Island recently celebrated Earth Day with the launch of its Net Zero Energy Challenge, the pathway to transforming the organization’s headquarters into a building that produces as much energy as it uses. Through the installation and utilization of renewable energy, United Way will possess one of the largest solar arrays of any not-for-profit commercial building, excluding universities and hospitals, in New York State.

Budgeted at $1.8 million, the Net Zero Energy Challenge encourages stakeholders to invest in a sustainable Long Island with economic opportunity. The project is underway thanks to a grant pledged from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), and initial funding from Brookhaven Science Associates/Brookhaven National Laboratory, as well as in-kind engineering design services from Cameron Engineering and the donation of HVAC equipment from GREE America and Wallace Eannace of Long Island.

"Wallace Eannace and GREE America are pleased to donate state-of-the-art HVAC equipment to United Way’s energy retrofit project, as we recognize that it significantly aids in the project’s success and goal of achieving Net Zero," said Darryl Clark, Corporate Vice President of Plainview-based Wallace Eannace.

Upon completion, the building will contribute to a sustainable future for Long Island by capitalizing on readily available high-performance technology, including 576 solar panel modules and upgraded mechanical systems, which will reduce pollution and scale down carbon footprint by nearly 150 tons per year. In particular, the installation of air-source heat pumps, which control heating and cooling, will replace the traditional heating system currently in place.

Visit www.unitedwayli.org to learn more about the Net Zero Challenge.

—Submitted by United Way
TOWN OF BABYLON, NY —

Town of Babylon officials announced that the four local senior centers will be reopening starting next week after closing down last year due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The centers on 48-C Cedar Road in North Amityville, Tanner Park in Copiague, 438 Spangle Drive in North Babylon and 28 Wyandanch Avenue in Wyandanch will be having a soft reopening starting on Monday.

The centers will be once again providing meals and programs, with bus transport to and from the homes of the seniors.

Face coverings and social distancing guidelines offered by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) will be mandatory to protect visitors and staff.

All centers will be operating at 25 percent capacity with restrictions on all cards, bingo and other activities that used shared items. Guests will also be required to maintain face covering and social distancing at all times. "The COVID-19 pandemic has uniquely targeted our senior population in more ways than one," Supervisor Rich Schaffer said. "Isolation has taken a significant mental toll on them as they are the most-vulnerable group in terms of contracting the virus."

In addition, meal delivery for seniors who are unable to visit the centers will continue uninterrupted.

The "Safe at Home" program between the town and United Way of Long Island will be providing essential services to homebound seniors, such as grocery shopping and prescription retrieval, vaccine appointment registration, safety check-ins and much more.

"We're all excited to get them back into our wonderful senior centers to get back to normal with many seniors already vaccinated and a greater knowledge of how to keep everyone safe," Schaffer said.

Seniors and/or their loved ones can call the Department of Human Services at 631-464-4340 to learn how they can attend the centers.

LI REPS ASK FOR

Practice revived after being banned in 2011

**NEWSDAY EXCLUSIVE**

BY TOM BRUNE

WASHINGTON — Earmarks are back, but they have been cleaned up, limited in number and renamed “community project funding” requests — and Long Island’s four U.S. representatives recently have submitted 25 proposals with a total price tag of $474 million, according to data reviewed by Newsday.

That’s a far cry from what the five-member Long Island delegation asked for a decade ago: 393 projects costing nearly $1 billion in 2009 spending for local public agencies, nonprofits and even defense contractors.

But that was before congressional leaders banned earmarks in 2011 after a series of scandals and questionable projects such as the “bridge to nowhere” in Alaska.

Now, the newly revived and renamed earmarks represent a return to giving members of Congress greater sway over at least a sliver of federal money in their congressional districts — 1% of fiscal year 2022 discretionary federal spending, likely about $14 billion.

“I like the idea that members of Congress, including myself, have some influence over how the federal government is spending money,” Rep. Thomas Suozzi (D-Glen Cove) told Newsday. “I know what’s going on in our communities better than some bureaucratic Washington.”

While all but one of the 218 House Democrats submitted project requests, less than half of the 212 House Republicans did. Senate Republicans say the earmark ban was permanent but have indicated wiggle room, and Democrats are eager but haven’t restored them.

The new version of earmarks could potentially have the upside of encouraging the now-polarized Congress to work in a bipartisan way to compromise on home-district spending projects, according to House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-Md.).

Given past scandals and the negative image of earmarks, the House sought to sanitize them: It limited members to 10 requests each, requires the proposals to be posted publicly on their websites and must declare they and their families have no financial interest in the projects.


It was the first time any of them had a chance to request funding for specific proposals for their districts or Long Island because all of them won their seats after earmarks had been banned. They all noted that they have been told that only a handful of the projects will get funded.

The Long Island lawmakers used various methods to determine which projects to submit, but all reviewed submissions from local groups and governments, tested local support for the proposals and weighed the likelihood of them receiving funding, according to their aides.

Zeldin, who is running for governor, did not favor bringing back earmarks but stood out as the biggest requester of the four Long Island lawmakers by asking for $253 million for four major infrastructure projects, according to his posted requests.

They include extending clean drinking water access to the towns of Riverhead and Brookhaven, expanding a Patchogue sewage facility and reconstructing Bellport’s waterfront still damaged from Superstorm Sandy.

“Congressman Zeldin has a duty to fight for the maximum support possible for his district,” said his spokeswoman Katie Vincent in a statement. She added that he might submit additional proposals later this month for military and veterans projects.

In contrast, Garbarino, in his first term in Congress, submitted the modestest requests of the delegation: $8.8 million for four projects — homeless outreach, Alzheimer’s disease care, water infrastructure improvement in the Town of Babylon...
$47 MILLION IN EARMARKS

THE 28 FUNDING PROPOSAL REQUESTS

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and sewer extension in Islip. Garbarino hopes his handful of projects win funding and hopes to receive more submissions for projects next year, according to his press secretary Eileen Clancy.

Rice submitted the maximum of 10 proposals at total cost of about $75 million. He asked for funding for a Uniondale streetscape improvement, a Hempstead sewage plant upgrade, an early childhood learning center, an LGFQ program and other social services.

Rice believes the projects she selected for the needs of her district will solve problems and create jobs, said her press secretary Stuart Malee. Szauci also submitted the maximum number of proposals, with a total tab or about $3.7 million. His proposals include money for a geriatric center for Northwell Health in New Hyde Park and for construction of a police training village in Nassau County.

He also asked for funding for upgrading the Nancy Court Pump Station in his hometown of Glen Cove, the dredging of Northport Harbor, renovation of North Hempstead Beach Park, two workforce training programs, a community center roof and the seeding of 10 million clams in bays along the North Shore.

House Democratic leaders promise a fair process, but critics already have complained about the level of transparency and the lack of a central public database of the requests.

"Why do we have to look at hundreds of lawmakers' websites? All of this earmark request data goes into a central database. Why not make that public if you want to be transparent?" said Steve Ellis, president of Taxpayers for Common Sense, a nonpartisan federal budget watchdog.

But Ellis's team of experts warned that Democrats leaders leaders will try to avoid scandal or inappropriately projects, with more than half the House Republican conference willing to pounce on any mistakes.

"For at least the first year and probably the first two years, they're going to be making their p's and q's" Ellis said. "... They know they don't have a lot of room for error."

And Democratic leaders must decide how to divide the money between members of the two parties — again making sure they don't turn it into a political playing point by shorting Republican requests.

In the end, nearly every member of the House who submitted a request for funding is prepared for disappointment. History is a guide, they should be.

Of the Long Island delegation's request for 39 earmarks totaling near $8 billion a decade ago, House appropriators awarded them the big prize of $267 million for the East Side Access projects — and then $45 million for 96 projects.
Working together to create jobs for our community

At Bank of America, we continue to invest in our local communities to help create jobs and fuel economic opportunity. We're doing this by collaborating with other companies, identifying needs and working with skill-building partners.

This effort also includes our recent $25 million investment in 21 higher education institutions including community colleges, historically Black colleges and universities and Hispanic-serving institutions.

Our shared focus is on education, reskilling and up-skilling to build a pipeline of talent—and on increased commitment to hiring by major employers across the country.

Here on Long Island, my teammates and I are excited to be a part of creating more opportunities for members of our community.

What would you like the power to do?*

Bob isotkin
President, Bank of America Long Island

We're supporting local organizations that are expanding access to skill-building programs and resources, including:
- United Veterans Beacon House
- United Way of Long Island
- Life's WORC

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This Memorial Day join us as we remember and honor our heroes

Mission United is a critical funding source for programs and services supporting Long Island veterans like Vicente and their families.

“Thank you United Way for all of your support especially during this difficult time. I am grateful to have received emergency heating assistance and your help in getting vaccinated so I can now stay safe for my family and neighbors.”

– Vicente, US National Guard veteran

visit unitedwayli.org/missionunited

Contact 211 Long Island for information and referrals related to veteran and support services. Dial 2-1-1, or outside of Nassau and Suffolk Counties 1-888-774-7633 and visit 211longisland.org.
Thanks to your great leadership and vision...

United Way of Long Island is uniting to create a vibrant future for all of our neighbors.

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Theresa A. Regnante, President & CEO
United Way of Long Island is committed to helping increase vaccine access to families and individuals in our communities by providing free rides (up to $25) each way, to and from vaccination appointments. If you need transportation getting to a vaccine site, you can request a free or discounted ride through the LYFT Ride Service.

For more information contact 211 Long Island dial 2-1-1, or outside Nassau and Suffolk Counties 1-888-774-7633, or visit 211longisland.org.
United Way of Long Island’s Virtual Salute and Recognition Ceremony, held on June 16, raised $25,000 to support Long Island families who have been affected by COVID-19.

The virtual event, sponsored by Clare Rose, Inc. honored more than 275 local workforce heroes spanning across a range of industries who made life brighter and easier to manage during the pandemic. Family, friends, colleagues and neighbors submitted their hero(es) to be recognized for acts of kindness, courage and compassion, and/or how they were supportive during this extraordinarily challenging time. Honorees received a Certificate of Recognition, and their photos and stories are featured on United Way’s Wall of Heroes.

Nearly 400 guests from a variety of sectors, including healthcare, education, labor unions, nonprofit, retail, restaurant, food grocery, public service, small business and more joined United Way to acknowledge these champions.

Thank you to our supporters: Clare Rose, Inc., Family Health Centers Long Island FQHC, Inc., Ridgewood Savings Bank, STAR Group, Choice for All, Hispanic Brotherhood, Gurwin Healthcare System, Local 282 Teamsters, Local 338 RWDSU/UFCW, Martinelli’s, National Grid, PSEG Long Island, Suffolk Community College, Woodward Children’s Center
United Way of Long Island recently completed its first Geo-Thermal residential construction in Medford. This group home is for veterans who are homeless and is operated by the Association of Mental Health and Wellness. It is a high performance home that uses geothermal energy from the earth to help cool and heat the house by using a water source heat pump with a loop drilled into the earth.

The project was a collaboration between NYSERDA, National Grid and United Way to explore the possibility of drilling community loops, meaning neighboring homes connect to the loop for energy where natural gas is not available. The equipment along with the geothermal loop and the installation, was donated by NYSERDA and National Grid.
BEHIND ON RENT DUE TO COVID-19?

Town of Brookhaven Emergency Rental Assistance Program Can Help

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program assists households behind on their rent that have experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19 and are at risk of homelessness or housing instability. The program can provide temporary rental assistance and assistance with unpaid utility bills.

- This program can pay up to 12 months of past due rent and up to 3 months of future rent
- For some households, this program can pay up to 12 months of overdue electric or gas bills

Program Qualifications

- Must be a resident of Town of Brookhaven, with proof of residency, and residing in the property that is in arrears.
- One of more adults in the household must have qualified for unemployment benefits or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardships due directly to COVID-19.
- Must be able to provide a fully executed rental lease or agreement where the lease is in the Applicant’s name and the Applicant is responsible for monthly rent payments
- Household income must be 80% or below Area Median Income

To Apply:
- brookhavenny.gov/rent
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- 211LI.org or call 2-1-1, Outside of Nassau & Suffolk counties call 888-774-7633, or contact 631-940-3727

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El programa de ayuda de emergencia para el pago de la renta del pueblo de Brookhaven puede ayudarlo

El programa de ayuda de emergencia para el pago de la renta asiste a los hogares atrasados con los pagos que hayan tenido problemas financieros por el COVID-19 y corran el riesgo quedarse sin vivienda o tener inestabilidad de vivienda. El programa puede ofrecer una ayuda temporaria para el pago de la renta y las facturas de los servicios impagadas.

- Este programa puede pagar hasta 12 meses de rentas adeudadas y hasta 3 meses de rentas futuras
- Para algunos hogares, este programa puede pagar hasta 12 meses de facturas de electricidad o gas vencidas

Requisitos del programa

- Debe ser residente del pueblo de Brookhaven, con acreditación de residencia, y debe vivir en la propiedad morosa.
- Uno o más adultos del hogar debe haber calificado para recibir beneficios de desempleo o haber tenido una reducción de los ingresos del hogar, incurrido en costos significativos o tenido otros problemas financieros como consecuencia directa del COVID-19.
- Debe poder presentar un contrato de alquiler firmado a nombre del Solicitante y que indique que el Solicitante está a cargo del pago de la renta mensual.
- Los ingresos del hogar deben ser inferiores al 80% de la mediana de ingresos del área.

Para solicitar la ayuda:
- brookhavenny.gov/rent
- Escanee el código QR
- 211LI.org o llame al 2-1-1, fuera de los condados de Nassau y Suffolk llame al 888- 774-7633, o al 631-940-3727

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- Creating solutions that ensure everyone has the appropriate resources, support, opportunities and access to networks they need to thrive
- Coordinating appointments for COVID-19 vaccinations, as well as providing Lyft transportation services to and from the vaccination sites
- Expanding Safe At Home for Seniors to include home assessments to make sure seniors have the necessary safety measures such as grab rails and smoke detectors they need in their homes

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For Sponsorships, to contribute or to register online visit: unitedwayli.org/2021LUCelebration
Team Mission United is a dedicated group of premier and recreational runners who will be taking on 26.2 miles for Long Island veterans and military families. Since its inception, team members have raised nearly $120,000.

Runners & Fundraising Commitment

Team Mission United runners must each commit to a fundraising minimum of $3,000. Participants will receive special benefits, including:

- Automatic entry into the 2021 TCS New York City Marathon
- Fundraising page
- Team shirt to wear on race day
- Personalized story about your journey
- Assistance with ask letters and/or matching funds from workplace
- Content for social media
- Dedicated fundraising/special events
- Tips from past and current team members
- Press release for each runner
- Individual webpage on United Way website

Collective Fundraising Goal: $30,000

To secure a runner’s spot contact Devera Lynn at 631.338.0567 or Devera@unitedwayli.org

Sponsorships are available.
Mothers like Cristel are leading by example. She inspired her three daughters to follow in her footsteps and join the healthcare industry. Together, during the height of the pandemic, they cared for seniors and worked tirelessly to keep those most vulnerable safe and secure. Celebrate this Mother’s Day by submitting a photo and telling us how a mom in your life has been a hero during this challenging year - www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Heroes will be recognized on June 16 during United Way’s Virtual Salute... be sure to join the celebration!

Long Islanders from a variety of industries - restaurant, mental health, retail and public service to name a few - showed us their best selves, helping us get through a challenging year. Who is your #WorkforceHero? Submit a photo and tell us why - www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Heroes will be recognized on June 16 during United Way’s Virtual Salute... be sure to join the celebration!
It's CSEA Appreciation Day! Let's recognize these #WorkforceHeroes for helping us get through this challenging year. They work in state and local governments, schools, libraries, authorities, and municipalities, as well as in the private sector, providing essential and quality of life services.

Want to recognize a CSEA member who is a Workforce Hero? Submit their photo to United Way's Wall of Heroes and tell us why at www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Heroes will be honored on June 16 during our Virtual Salute... be sure to join the celebration!

CSEA Long Island Region 1

CSEA Long Island Region 1 added 19 new photos to the album: CSEA Member Appreciation Day 2021.

CSEA's 2nd Annual Member Appreciation Day has been a huge success. Thank you to our members for working tirelessly throughout the pandemic to provide New York State with the critical services it needs to run.
United Way of Long Island was live.
Published by Susan L Dunbar • May 27 at 3:18 PM •

Recognize a person in your life who has brought optimism into your life during a year that has been extraordinarilly challenging. Submit your hero and have them be featured on United Way’s Wall of Heroes at www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Then cheer on your hero on Wednesday, June 16 at 1:00PM during United Way’s Virtual Salute and Recognition Ceremony. Funds raised will support Long Island families who have been affected by COVID-19.

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United Way’s Virtual Salute to Long Island’s Workforce Heroes is just around the corner. YouthBuild participants are helping us gear up by assembling Virtual Salute Kits for guests to use during the event! Thank you to Clare Rose for supporting the heroes who have helped us get through this pandemic together. Get your tickets today and honor a hero with us - www.unitedwayli.org/virtualsalute

By attending, you will be helping Long Islanders, as funds raised will support families who have been affected by COVID-19.
United Way of Long Island

Published by Susan L. Dunbar - June 9 at 11:07 AM

We are thankful to #WorkforceHeroes like the security guards of Ridgewood Savings Bank who keep their customers safe and secure throughout this pandemic. Tell us who is your Workforce Hero and why at www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Heroes will be recognized on June 16 during United Way's Virtual Salute... be sure to join the celebration!

United Way of Long Island

Published by Susan L. Dunbar - June 11 at 10:48 AM

Who is your Workforce Hero? Tell us at www.unitedwayli.org/wallofheroes.

Workforce Heroes, like the nurses and staff at Long Island FQHC, Inc., have helped us get through this pandemic. Their compassion and work ethic of going above and beyond to care for patients, including administering Covid testing and setting up vaccination sites has made a stronger Long Island.

These heroes and more will be recognized on June 16 during United Way's Virtual Salute... be sure to join the celebration!
Thank you to all of our 386 Workforce Heroes and guests who joined us for today's Virtual Salute & Recognition Ceremony!

Long Island has been put to the test over the last 15 months, and through it all, your efforts have made a profound impact in our community. Thanks to your generosity, today's Virtual Salute raised funds that will go a long way in helping Long Island families affected by the pandemic... including Lily a retired NYPD officer and her husband Winston, a U.S. Army Veteran. We also observed a moment of silence to remember lives lost to COVID-19.

United Way's President and CEO, Theresa Regnante was joined by United Way Board Member and Local 338 RWDSU/UFCW President John Durso, as well as lead sponsor Clare Rose, Inc., and the company's President, Sean Rose.

We are grateful to all of our event sponsors: Long Island FQHC, Inc., Ridgewood Savings Bank, STAR Group, Choice For All, Hispanic Brotherhood, Inc., Gurwin Family of Healthcare Services, Local 282 Teamsters, Local 338 RWDSU/UFCW, Martinelli’s, National Grid, PSEG Long Island, Suffolk County Community College and Woodward Children’s Center.

To help families affected by COVID-19 visit [www.unitedwayli.org/virtualsalute](http://www.unitedwayli.org/virtualsalute)
Thank you Amazon.com for your contribution, which is helping veterans like McKay achieve financial stability through career training programs including United Way’s VetsBuild. Because of you, we can continue to serve those who served. More information at www... See More

Thank you Esquire Bank for supporting families who are struggling as a result of the effects of COVID-19. Because of you, Brentwood High School students in need of access to digital technology received new laptops; seniors sheltering at home received assistance with managing everyday tasks and scheduling their COVID-19 vaccines; and families struggling to pay their utilities were provided with fuel grants so they could stay warm during the cold winter months.
www.unitedwayli.org/UnitedSolution
Thank you New York State Health Foundation for making an impact in the lives of seniors by supporting United Way’s Safe at Home (SAH) for Seniors. Charles of Melville received assistance with the help of a SAH Community Navigator who shopped and delivered his groceries; provided him with new PPE and hygiene products; and scheduled his COVID-19 vaccination appointment.

Your generous grant of $75,000 helped launch this program that is now critical to so many seniors who are isolated or sheltering-in-place. Learn more at www.unitedwayli.org/safeathome.

The skilled trades provide a career path toward financial stability and are vital to the future of our region. In honor of NationalSkilledTradesDay, United Way of Long Island is proud to provide young adults, veterans and the unemployed with career training opportunities in the trades sectors including electrical, construction, energy, hospitality and more.

YouthBuild Long Island participants recently enhanced their workforce-ready skills through a digital literacy course led by Hempstead-based Spring Board Incubators. Highlights included recognizing legitimate internet resources, techniques for online research, and gaining experience using the Microsoft Office Suite. More info about YouthBuild at www.unitedwayli.org/youthbuildli

United Way of Long Island administers the Nassau-Suffolk HIV Health Services Planning Council, a regional group responsible for coordinating the community response to improving services for people living with HIV and AIDS. Join us for our Virtual Open House this Wednesday 5/19 to learn how you can be part of the process. More info about the Planning Council at https://longislandpc.org/

You are invited to the Nassau-Suffolk HIV Health Services Planning Council’s VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE Wednesday, May 19, 2021 6:00pm-7:00pm
Zoom link: 952 9230 3162 • Passcode: 722107

Did you know that there is a group on Long Island made up of people living with HIV/AIDS, community based agencies, hospital and local leaders that helps to decide what services are funded on LI

Do you want to have a part in shaping HIV services on Long Island

Are you interested in improving the quality of services you receive

We are grateful for The Bountiful Company’s colleague-run affinity group, United We Stand, for donating Pure Protein® protein bars that will be distributed to local veterans across Long Island, including those helped through United Veterans Beacon House. #MissionUnited
United Way of Long Island recently provided gift cards for food assistance - totaling more than $20,000 - to the Suffolk Sheriff's START Resource Center to help justice-involved individuals. We are proud to support Sheriff Touliou and the START program in helping Long Islanders launch their journey to creating a better life for themselves as we remain committed to providing everyone with equal access to resources and basic necessities.

Today is Flag Day! As we commemorate the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States, we honor all those who have served for our freedoms. We’re proud to partner with United Veterans Beacon House to serve those who served.
With Memorial Day on Monday, we are reminded of the men and women who served our country with honor. The Long Island Insurance Community (LIIC) recently raised $20,000 in support of United Way and our community partners to provide veterans and military families with emergency financial assistance, career training, as well as vital case management services. The LIIC joined United Way at the Northport VA Medical Center to gift 1,000 Mission United T-Shirts and Care Kits filled with PPE, hygiene and snack items to veterans across our region. A shout-out to Bethpage Federal Credit Union for their donation of the Care Kits.

Join us for Healthy Homes Month as we share stories of creating houses that are good for the environment and promote the well-being of its residents. YouthBuild participants will be gaining field experience at one of United Way's newest healthy, energy-efficient constructions in Central Islip. They will receive hands-on training throughout the building process, including their recent lesson in reading blueprints, construction math and using a laser level. Learn the element of a healthy home at www.unitedwayli.org/healthyhomes
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Thank you @ATT for supporting the upward mobility of our #youth. Your $15,000 contribution is helping United Way’s YouthBuild participants in Hempstead find jobs and succeed in the workforce through educational, leadership and career training. unitedwayli.org/youthbuildli #LiveUnited

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We are a proud Bob Woodruff Foundation grant recipient. We are providing emergency financial assistance to #veterans and their families. Follow @stand4heroes to learn more or visit bit.ly/3obZAHQ. Together, we’ve #GotYourSix. #LiveUnited
Thank you @BrookhavenLab for the research that led to the key building blocks of the COVID-19 vaccine. We are proud to have Brookhaven Lab as a top supporter... they continue to find ways to help Long Islanders. Read the Newsday article

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Long before anyone knew anything about COVID-19, scientists studying an obscure enzyme at Brookhaven National Laboratory stumbled upon...

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Thank you @nationalgridus for donating 112 boxes filled with sanitizer wipes to United Way, which will be distributed to #veterans and #families across Long Island. Your generosity is keeping our communities #safe.

#LiveUnited
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