



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Dilan Reminds New Yorkers to Explore Recently Added Benefits and Assistance to New York City's Unemployed

MARTIN MALAVÉ DILAN April 20, 2009

(Brooklyn, NY)—Upon news that state agencies set a plan in action to assist New York City's unemployed, Senator Martin Malavé Dilan (D-Brooklyn) is urging out-of-work New Yorkers to make the best of new benefits and assistance.

On Monday, April 20 a coordinated effort led by the state Department of Labor, and Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance set vital federal funds to work extending Unemployment Insurance benefits, job opportunities and financial transportation assistance for more than 27,000 New York City residents.

"These benefits are what will get Brooklyn back to work," said Senator Dilan. "They not only extend temporary income to the unemployed looking for work, they provide the jobs, training and access to local career centers to help get them work"

Together, state and federal unemployment benefits now provide 59 weeks of coverage for job seekers. Also, funds have been made available to begin training workers in emerging fields such as, green, healthcare and advanced manufacturing. As part of the plan announced today, Workforce Investment Boards will receive funds to help pay transportation expenses for Brooklyn job seekers.

“Reach out to your local career center to learn what other options may be available to you, and get you working again,” Senator Dilan concluded.

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