

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Martin J. Golden

## Senator Golden Puts Seniors Back on the Move in Bay Ridge

MARTIN J. GOLDEN April 24, 2014



Brooklyn- State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn) today joined staff and members of the Bay Ridge Center for Older Adults for a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new senior center van that replaces one totaled in a 2012 car accident.

Senator Marty Golden stated, "I have proudly secured a grant from the New York State Senate in the amount of \$65,000 to purchase a new van to replace the one damaged in the accident. The moment I heard of the collision my first thought was to make sure that everyone was okay. As soon as I knew that there was no major injuries, my mind immediately turned to thinking of how I could help the Center replace this van."

"This van will assist our seniors who need assistance getting to the Center, as well allow them the opportunity to travel within our community, go on trips, and more. I look forward to seeing these new wheels on our streets and avenues, and our seniors enjoying life," continued Senator Golden.

Marianne Nicolosi, Executive Director of the Bay Ridge Center stated, "We are extremely grateful to Senator Golden and all those who donated funds to help us obtain this vehicle. Bay Ridge is a community that has a tradition of supporting our seniors. This bus, in addition to helping bring seniors with mobility challenges to the center and to local appointments throughout the neighborhood, will also allow our older adults to resume making trips to cultural events and activities throughout the City once again."

The car accident that totaled the senior center van took place on Colonial Road at 78th Street and injured 11 seniors on March 26, 2012. None of the injuries were life threatening.