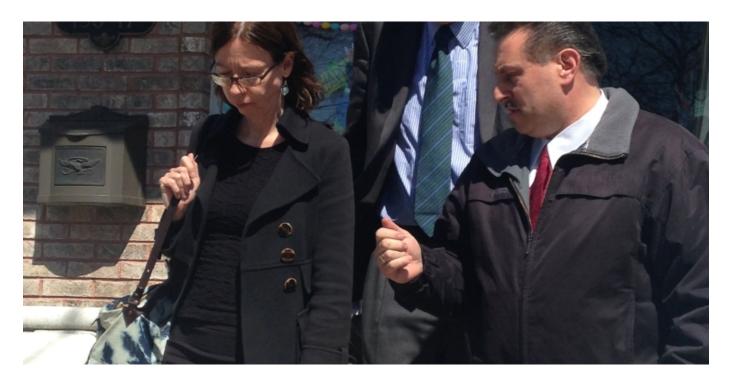


Addabbo and City Officials Tour Howard Beach Homes of Build It Back Applicants

JOSEPH P. ADDABBO JR April 25, 2014



Howard Beach, NY (**April 25, 2014**) – State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. brought members of Mayor Bill de Blasio's Sandy Recovery team to Howard Beach to hear firsthand from residents struggling with the Build it Back program.

Bill Goldstein, Senior Adviser for Recovery, Resiliency and Infrastructure for Build It Back and Amy Peterson, Housing Recovery Office Director of Build it Back, toured the neighborhood with Senator Addabbo and spoke to homeowners still waiting for reimbursements after spending tens of thousands of dollars post-Sandy.

"As if being devastated by Sandy wasn't enough, it's no secret my constituents have continued to hurt through the recovery process," Senator Addabbo said. "Some have spent their life savings on rebuilding, others have gone into debt and some are still not back in their homes. I hope having Bill and Amy hear of

the damages straight from the people who experienced the devastation will at long last get effective results."	