

## Senator Weik Announces Nearly \$3 Million in State Regional Economic Grants for the 3rd Senate District

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Senator Alexis Weik announced that the State has approved nearly \$3 million in Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) Grants to spur the local economy in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Senate District. Governor Hochul announced the winning projects at the 11<sup>th</sup> Round of the REDC awards this past week.

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"These grants will provide meaningful support to our business and nonprofit communities, which will help stimulate our regional economy. Many of these projects are ones I fought and advocated for, and I am thrilled that they have been granted awards by the REDC," said Senator Alexis Weik.

Award recipients in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Senate District include:

- \$500,000 for The Trust for Public Land—To undertake activities to complete a scope of work that will make shovel ready a 25-mile segment of the Long Island Greenway, an extension of the Empire State Trail from Eisenhower County Park in Bethpage to Brentwood State park in Brentwood.
- \$750,000 for the Bayard Cutting Arboretum—For a new visitor center to be constructed at the Arboretum.

- \$46,651 for the Friends of Connetquot, Inc.—To restore the South Side Sportsmen Club Fish Preparation Room in the Club House.
- \$500,000 for the Patchogue Village Center for the Performing Arts—To renovate and improve the Performing Arts Center.
- \$1,000,000 for Suffolk County—For the Mastic Beach Violets Cove restoration planning and design.