



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Hearing his constituents' concerns about public safety, New York State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. has requested over \$700,000 in funding for the police precincts in his new district to allow them to purchase vehicles and cameras for their officers.

Addabbo has requested \$50,000 for the 102<sup>nd</sup>, 104<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup> and 112<sup>th</sup> precincts for them to buy one unmarked, midsize sedan or crossover vehicle for use by the Community Affairs Officers, for a total of \$200,000. By funding these vehicles, Addabbo is hopeful that the local precincts will be better able to access more areas of their communities and forge better bonds with community members and leaders.

"Our Community Affairs Officers are a vital part of the NYPD team because they are the ones traveling through their sectors on a daily basis, and by doing this, they become trusted members of the community," Addabbo said. "And when citizens know who their community officers are, it plays a major role in boosting police-community relationships. That type of relationship is crucial in helping to solve crimes and preventing crimes from happening in the first place."

In addition to the vehicles, Addabbo has also requested funding for two ARGUS camera systems for each of the precincts. The camera system costs \$65,000 per package, so the total funding for the two camera systems for the four police precincts comes out to \$520,000. The Senator's office is in discussions with the precincts to use crime data to determine where the cameras should be placed.

"Cameras are critical tools used by the NYPD in their crime-fighting efforts, and this funding for two new camera systems for the four precincts in my new district will go a long way in ensuring the safety of all citizens," Addabbo said. "I am proud to submit this request for funds and to support our hard-working men and women in the Police Department."

The requested funds for these projects still needs approval from the State Senate leadership, and Addabbo is working to secure the money through the allocation process.