



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Addabbo: Make a difference in your neighborhood and apply for a seat on your Community Board

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With the new year here State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. wants residents to know that there is another chance to help and serve their community. The application process to serve on your Community Board is now open through the Queens Borough President's Office.

Borough President Donovan Richards Jr. is now accepting applications from qualified, civic-minded individuals interested in sitting on one of Queens' 14 Community Boards, which play an important advisory role in considering land and zoning matters, city service delivery and more.

The 14 Community Boards across Queens are comprised of up to 50 volunteer, unsalaried members serving staggered two-year terms. Community Board members are appointed by the Queens Borough President, in accordance with the City Charter, with half of the appointments being nominated by the City Council members representing their respective Community Districts. Community Boards play an important advisory role in considering land use and zoning matters in their districts. Each Board holds full membership meetings every month while also holding hearings and issuing recommendations about the City budget, municipal service delivery and many other matters that impact their communities.

“Being a part of your Community Board is a great way to get involved in your community and make real changes for your neighborhood. From advising on land development projects to recommending money for park upgrades and so much more, Community Board members play a major role in transforming where they live,” Addabbo said. “Many elected officials got their start in the political world with a spot on their local Community Board. If you are interested in civics and want to have a positive effect on your community, you should consider applying for a seat on your Community Board!”

Before becoming an elected official in 2002, Addabbo served as a long-standing member of Community Board 10.

To be eligible to serve on a Queens Community Board, you must be a resident of New York City and must live, work, or have a professional or other significant interest in that board’s district.

The deadline to apply for a position on your Community Board is February 16. To apply, visit <https://queensbp.org/communityboards/>.