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PRESIDING OFFICER GREGORY ATTENDS URBAN LEAGUE OF LONG ISLAND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS EVENT



Amityville, NY – Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory attended an Urban League of Long Island Young Professionals event entitled “Developing Our Next Generation’s Leaders” on January 22 at the Wyandanch Youth Center.

The mission of the Urban League of Long Island is to empower African-Americans and other disenfranchised individuals to secure economic self-reliance, parity, power, and civil rights. The Young Professionals focus on developing the next generation of professionals on Long Island through education and youth empowerment.

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This event featured a Vision Board workshop for young boys and girls, 5th grade students from the Wyandanch Youth Center's After School Program.

"It was truly an amazing experience partnering with the Wyandanch Youth Center and supporting the 5th grade students with creating their 2015 vision boards," said Andrea De Loney, President of the Urban League of Long Island's Young Professionals. "It is so important that we are reaching back to instill certain values into our children in communities of color here on Long Island. I am excited to continue the work with Presiding Officer Gregory and the Town of Babylon to bring more programming like this to our neighborhoods. These children are our next generation leaders. It's time to invest more of ourselves into them."

"I applaud the initiative of President Andrea De Loney and the Urban League of Long Island Young Professionals in helping to develop our area's youth by instilling confidence in their capability to reach their fullest potential," said Presiding Office Gregory. "Vision Boards are a fun and creative way of engaging young people in the importance of setting long-term goals for themselves".

Presiding Officer Gregory is shown assisting students with their Vision Board projects.

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