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LEGISLATOR MCCAFFREY PARTICIPATES IN “SHED THE MEDS” EVENT



Left Picture (left to right): Suffolk County Police Officer Blaskiewicz; Rocco Patto, Lindenhurst Community Cares Coalition Member; Judith Raimondi, President of Lindenhurst Community Cares Coalition; Suffolk County Legislator Kevin McCaffrey; Lindenhurst Village Trustee Joan Masterson; Lindenhurst Village Mayor Tom Brennan; Lindenhurst Deputy Mayor Mike Lavorata; Suffolk County Police Officer Maldonado; and Lindenhurst Deputy Village Clerk Doug Madlon. Right Picture (left to right): Officer Maldonado; Officer Blaskiewicz; and Legislator McCaffrey.

Lindenhurst, NY: Suffolk County Legislator Kevin McCaffrey (R-Lindenhurst) recently participated in a “Shed the Meds” event that was organized jointly between the Lindenhurst Community Cares Coalition (Lindy Cares) and the Village of Lindenhurst. The event was held at the Village of Lindenhurst’s Rainbow Center, and was attended by many local residents wishing to safely dispose of prescription medications.

“Shed the Meds” events have become a staple in many communities over the years, being sponsored by local civic groups, governmental organizations, and elected officials. The purpose of the effort is to ensure that prescription medications do not fall into the wrong hands when they are no longer needed. These events provide a safe and accessible venue, along with police personnel, to facilitate this crucially important undertaking.

“Almost everybody at some point or another has unused prescription medications in their homes,” said McCaffrey. “While most of us know how to responsibly store these medications,

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the proper way to dispose of them is not always clear. Efforts like the one here today help to relieve us of those concerns.”

Both the Village of Lindenhurst and Lindy Cares have been extremely proactive in the fight against the scourge of drug abuse. Due to the scope of the problem, an active alliance between civic organizations, elected officials, schools, and everyday citizens is more essential now than ever before.

“I really must commend Lindy Cares and the Village of Lindenhurst,” said McCaffrey. “Their teamwork truly serves as a model for communities wishing to effectuate positive change.”

To learn more about Lindy Cares and their upcoming events, those interested are strongly encouraged to visit their website at: <http://www.lindycares.org/>. For those wishing to learn more about the Village of Lindenhurst they can visit: <http://villageoflindenhurst.com/>.

Legislator McCaffrey represents Suffolk County’s 14th Legislative District which encompasses the Village of Lindenhurst, Babylon Village, the hamlets of West Babylon and North Lindenhurst, portions of Copiague, North Babylon, and Babylon’s barrier beach communities.