



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR
Brian Kavanagh

At Community Convention, Kavanagh and 250 New Yorkers Discuss Neighborhood Issues and Making Government Work

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(New York, NY) -- On Sunday, May 6th, more than 250 New Yorkers joined State Senator Brian Kavanagh for the annual 26th Senate District Community Convention. During the event, which was hosted at Stuyvesant High School in Lower Manhattan, experts from advocacy organizations and elected offices led community-driven conversations on a wide array of topics including defending tenants' rights, reforming our justice system, enhancing resilience, and preventing gun violence.

In addition, City Comptroller Scott Stringer, Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, Assemblymembers Jo Anne Simon, Yuh-Line Niou, and Harvey Epstein, and Council Member

Brad Lander joined the convention.

“More than 315,000 New Yorkers live in the communities that make up the 26th Senate District, and my staff and I work every day to support them and make New York a better, fairer place to call home. The convention is a people-driven event. It gives us an opportunity to hear directly from constituents about issues that matter to them -- and gives residents of the district a chance to have in-depth conversations about the challenges facing our communities,” **Senator Kavanagh said**. “I’m glad we were able to bring over 250 New Yorkers together for these discussions -- and my staff and I look forward to reviewing all of the feedback and ideas the conversations generated and working with our constituents to improve our city and our state.”

Discussion topics at the convention included:

- Defending tenants’ rights and affordability
- Reforming our justice system
- Strengthening campaign finance laws and reforming Albany
- Educating and lifting up our youth
- Preserving our neighborhood
- Enhancing arts and culture
- Safeguarding civil rights
- Expanding affordable and accessible healthcare
- Protecting the rights and quality of life of older New Yorkers
- Conversations in Spanish/Conversación en Español
- Conversations in Chinese/
- Improving streets, transportation, and infrastructure
- Supporting public housing
- Preventing gun violence
- Reforming our elections and protecting against cyber-threats
- Enhancing resiliency and protecting our environment

For photos of the convention, click [here](#).

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