



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Martin J. Golden

Senator Golden Announces Brooklyn Job Creation Projects to Receive State Funding

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Area Projects Among Winners of Regional Economic Development Council Awards

Brooklyn – State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn), a member of the Regional Economic Development Council, today announced that twenty job creation projects in the Kings County will receive critically important state funds through the second round of Regional Economic Development Council awards.

“This is tremendous news because these projects will strengthen our local and City economy and help create and retain jobs,” said Senator Marty Golden. “I am proud to serve on the regional economic development council, and along with my colleagues, we have put together an strategy that takes advantage of the tremendous resources, skills and talent in our area so to help rebuild our economy. I applaud Governor Cuomo and Lieutenant Governor Duffy for this successful initiative that is spurring job growth and building a stronger economy for the future.”

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo said, "For the second year in a row, the Regional Councils have been on the forefront of rebuilding New York State's economy. For too many years, top-down economic development policies have failed communities across the state and not truly invested in the unique resources and strengths of each of New York's regions. Now a new, bottom-up approach is in place that brings local communities together to chart their own economic destiny. The second round of Regional Economic Development Council awards will deliver funding for critical projects and investments in communities across our state, helping put New Yorkers back to work and rebuilding our economy."

The following job creation projects are among those that will receive funding from the second round of the Regional Economic Development Council program:

*MFriedSSD Growth Expansion (Facility Renovation) \$300,000

*Wonton Food Inc. (Training and Facility Upgrade) \$1,080,000

*BRIC Arts Media Brooklyn (Public Awareness and Public Engagement Plan) \$100,000

*Brooklyn Workforce Innovations (Commercial Driver Training) \$100,000

*Brooklyn Academy of Music (DanceAfrica Festival) \$150,000

*Pratt Institute (Design Incubator Expansion) \$500,000

*Downtown Brooklyn Partnership (Downtown Brooklyn Eastern Gateway Revitalization Project) \$200,000

*Green-Wood Historic Fund (Weir Greenhouse Restoration) \$500,000

*NYC Mayors Office of Environmental Remediation (REDC Brownfield Cleanup and Development Grants) \$500,000

*Duggal Visual Solutions (Brooklyn Navy Yard Expansion Project) \$881,000

*Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation (Media Campus) 5,000,000

*Agudath Israel of America Community Services (Office Operations Training) \$98,700

*Cumberland Packing Corporation (Operations Training Project) \$56,000

Senator Marty Golden “It is important that our attention be focused creating jobs throughout Brooklyn, working with leaders in business, education, local governments, economic development and planning. We have and will continue to develop a list of job creation projects that achieve our goals of to help get New Yorkers back to work, and make it so college graduated can find a job, and at the same time, building a strong foundation for the future.”

Statewide, a total of \$738 million was awarded for 725 economic development projects in every region of New York State.