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## **Senator Carlucci Secures \$350,000 for Rockland County DA To Crack Down on Crime**

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On Thursday November 13th Senator Carlucci (D Rockland/Westchester) visited the Regional Investigative Resource Center (RIRC) which is a collaborative effort that includes local, state and federal law enforcement agencies from around the region. The RCIC was created by the District Attorney's Office with a goal of fostering a shared services environment where agencies combine resources and information with a common goal of investigating organized criminal activity that impacts Rockland as well as the surrounding area.

The Center has seen significant success since it's inception earlier this year, most significantly in the areas of Drug Trafficking and Traditional Organized Crime. Both areas where criminals have been arrested, including reputed Mob Boss Daniel Pagano, now face State and Federal prosecution.

In an effort to expand the technological capabilities of the RIRC **Senator Carlucci secured \$350,000** in state funds that is being utilized to create and support a cutting edge technology capability that will be operated as a collaborative effort between the District Attorney's Office and the Clarkstown Police Department.

The funding went towards upgrading technology that gives the county the technical resources they need to fight crime.

**Senator David Carlucci said,** "Working with my colleagues in Albany we were able to secure \$350,000 in critical crime-fighting funding to give District Attorney

Zugibe the technological tools he needs to keep Rocklanders safe.”

**District Attorney Zugibe said,** “I want to thank Senator Carlucci for being a partner by understanding our needs. This \$350,000 has allowed us to obtain technological upgrades that makes sure law enforcement is ahead of the game.”

**Clarkstown Police Chief Mike Sullivan said,** “Our collaborative efforts have been enhanced greatly by Senator Carlucci’s support and it furthers my belief that collaboration between police , prosecutors, legislators as well as the public is the most effective way to address crime. I want to thank Senator Carlucci for providing critical funding to upgrade our technological capabilities in Rockland.”

In the interest in the safety to those working at the RIRC and the sensitive nature of its operations, the location of the facility is confidential as are the specifics of the operation itself.