

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Andrea Stewart-Cousins

## Business Council of Westchester Hosts Reception in Honor of Leader

ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS February 8, 2013



New York State Senate Democratic Conference Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins was honored by the Business Council of Westchester at a special reception in January. Senator Stewart-Cousins was recognized for her elevation as leader of the Democratic Conference in the New York State Senate.

Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins stated "I am deeply honored to receive this recognition from the Business Council of Westchester. Our combined efforts to foster sustainable

economic growth and create jobs for New Yorkers are made even stronger by our partnership," said Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins. "I have been a longtime advocate for businesses in Westchester County and throughout the State; whether it's increasing opportunities for minority and women owned enterprises, supporting our burgeoning biotechnology sector or cutting through red tape for businesses in our community. With our continued partnership, the Business Council, my colleagues and I will work to grow existing businesses and encourage the entrepreneurial spirit that will create jobs in Westchester and beyond."

Dr. Marsha Gordon, President and CEO of the Business Council of Westchester added; "The Business Council of Westchester was honored to have the opportunity to host this reception in recognition of Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins leadership and her recent elevation to serve as Leader of the New York State Senate's Democratic Conference. We look forward to working with Senator Stewart-Cousins and all of our New York State Legislators, to strengthen our existing businesses, to develop new entrepreneurs and to create jobs in Westchester County."

The Business Council of Westchester represents 1,200 members, ranging in size from multinational corporations and mid-sized businesses to professional firms, non-for profit organizations and small business owners in every sector of Westchester County's diverse economy. It is the county's largest business membership organization, and they provide local businesses with many member services including marketing resources, online directory placement, networking opportunities, and education. They also are the publishers of "Westchester Commerce Magazine" and a member publication, "Exchange."

Photo Caption: Left to Right: John Ravitz, Executive Vice President of The Business Council of Westchester; Democratic Conference Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins; Dr. Dario A. Cortes, President of Berkeley College; Cynthia Rubino, Vice President of Government Relations of Berkeley College; Dr. Marsha Gordon, President and CEO of the Business Council of Westchester.