



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## SENATOR NOZZOLIO LAUNCHES ANNUAL DRIVE TO BENEFIT THE TROOPS

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Continuing his unwavering commitment to the brave men and women serving our Nation, State Senator Mike Nozzolio today announced the start of his annual Holiday Drive for the Troops.

Each year during the Holiday Season, Senator Nozzolio collects nonperishable items throughout his district to be sent to military personnel deployed overseas.

Senator Nozzolio was inspired to begin this annual drive with the help and support of Belinda McElroy of Sodus. Belinda's youngest son, Sean served in Iraq and her oldest son, Patrick served in Afghanistan.

"The holiday season is a time to enjoy your loved ones, but sadly many of our service members are unable to do so. That is why it is more important than ever that we recognize the contributions of our local soldiers," said Senator Nozzolio.

Senator Nozzolio is once again working with several local leaders to expand the Holiday Drive, including New York State Assemblyman Brian Kolb, Assemblyman Gary Finch, Assemblyman Bob Oaks, Assemblyman Phil Palmesano and Webster Town Supervisor Ron Nesbitt.

Nonperishable items such as snacks, gum, hard candy, instant coffee and dry-mix beverages such as iced tea and lemonade can be dropped off at the following locations:

- Senator Nozzolio's Office - 119 Fall Street, Seneca Falls;
- Assemblyman Brian Kolb's Office - 607 W. Washington Street, Geneva;
- Assemblyman Gary Finch's Office - 69 South Street, Auburn;
- Assemblyman Bob Oaks' Office - 10 Leach Road, Lyons;
- Assemblyman Phil Palmesano's Office - 105 East Steuben Street, Bath;
- Supervisor Ron Nesbitt's Office - 1000 Ridge Road, Webster.

Other personal items such as DVDs, stationery, pens and small articles of clothing like hats or socks are also welcome. Items can be dropped off through December 9<sup>th</sup> when Senator Nozzolio will send the items to our troops overseas.

Anyone who would like their donated items to be sent to a specific soldier from our region who is currently stationed overseas should contact Senator Nozzolio's office with the service member's name and where they are stationed. Senator Nozzolio's Seneca Falls office can be reached toll free at 1-888-568-9816 or by emailing [nozzolio@nysenate.gov](mailto:nozzolio@nysenate.gov). You can also submit this information by contacting Senator Nozzolio through his Facebook page.

"Our soldiers have left their family and friends and the comfort of their homes in order to serve a greater cause. It is important that we support our brave service members and give thanks to them for protecting our freedom. This annual drive is just one small way to do that," concluded Senator Nozzolio.