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Addabbo visits new Commonpoint Queens Workforce Hub in Elmhurst

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State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. recently visited the Commonpoint Queens brand new Workforce Hub in Elmhurst to get an overview of the services they provide to the community.

On Thursday, January 13, Addabbo arrived at the Jack and Shirley Silver Hub, located at 77-17 Queens Boulevard in Elmhurst, and was given a tour of the new facility. The 9,600 square

foot building has a vast array of free support and employment services to help members of the community in their time of need.

The free services they provide at this location include:

- Job placement assistance for those who are in search of employment or want to make a career change including career readiness skills training, career counseling, digital literacy classes, vocational training, and more;
- Culinary training through a 12-week basic culinary training program for adults interested in a food industry career;
- Work supports programs that provide free, comprehensive enrollment assistance and referrals for a variety of services including SNAP, Medicaid and other health insurance programs, and many more;
- High School Equivalency (formerly GED) classes;
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes;
- Information Technology (IT) training and job placement assistance; and
- Digital food pantry.

“This Commonpoint Queens location may fall just outside of my district, but I am certain that some of my constituents visit the Workforce Hub, as well as other Commonpoint Queens locations, for assistance on a variety of issues,” Addabbo said. “I am very impressed with the number of different programs that they offer right here under one roof. It really is a comprehensive one-stop-shop for services, which makes it incredibly easy for individuals and families to find the help that they need.”

“The pandemic has been devastating for our community in so many ways. As community leaders, it is all of our responsibilities to ensure that our neighbors have access to support systems and meaningful job opportunities that pay a living wage,” said Danielle Ellman, CEO of Commonpoint Queens. “One of the big keys in building back a more resilient New York City is working together, and we are grateful for Senator Addabbo’s partnership over the years to strengthen our workforce initiatives.”

To find out more information on Commonpoint Queens and all the services that they offer, visit: www.commonpointqueens.org.