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Senator Mattera Joins NAACP Huntington Branch and Stony Brook Cancer Center To Provide Free Breast Cancer Screening Event

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Screenings are performed by NYS-registered radiologic technologists with advanced training in mammography. The van has a comfortable waiting area, private dressing room and a complete exam room.

Stony Brook Medicine's Department of Radiology is accredited by the American College of Radiology and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Mammography images are read by board-certified radiologists at Stony Brook.

This project is supported with funds from Health Research, Inc. and the New York State Department of Health. This event is being held in cooperation with the NAACP Huntington Branch.

Where: **Huntington Assembly of God**
1700 New York Avenue
Huntington Station

When: **Friday, June 2, 2023**
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

To schedule an appointment,
please call: **(631) 638-4135**.

Eligibility:

- Must be female and 40 years of age or older.
- No mammograms in the past year.
- Not pregnant or breastfeeding.
- No implants or breast issues, such as lump or nipple discharge.
- Never diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Office visit within the past year with a gynecologist, primary care physician or internist who is willing to accept the results of the screening.

On the day of your appointment:

- Please do not wear deodorant, perfume, powders, lotions or creams on the breast area.
- Please bring your photo ID and insurance card, if insured.

NOTE: Individuals who do not have health insurance will be processed through the Cancer Services Program of New York, if eligible.



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Senator Mario R. Mattera (2nd Senate District), in conjunction with **NAACP Huntington**, is hosting the Stony Brook Cancer Center's Mobile Mammography Van in Huntington Station. The no-cost breast cancer-screening event will be held from 10 am to 4 pm on Friday, June 2, at the Huntington Assembly of God, which is located at **1700 New York Avenue in Huntington Station**.

Stony Brook University Cancer Center operates and staffs the mobile van, which was made possible through more than \$3 million from the New York State Department of Health. The van provides convenient access to all women in our area to ensure that women on Long Island get the information they need to protect themselves from breast cancer.

This event is for women forty and older who have not had a mammogram in the past year. An appointment is necessary so all who are interested should call 631-638-4135 to schedule an appointment. For more information on the Stony Brook Cancer Center's Mobile Mammography Van, residents can visit cancer.stonybrookmedicine.edu/Patients/MammoVan.

According to information provided by Stony Brook Cancer Center, most screenings are no cost since the cost of mammograms are covered by Medicare, Medicaid and almost all insurance companies. Any resident who has no insurance will be referred to the New York State Cancer Services Program, which may cover the cost of an exam.

In New York State, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer and the second leading cause of cancer death among women. Mammograms and breast cancer screenings can detect cancer at early stages, when it is often the most treatable.

“I am very happy to join with Stony Brook Medicine, NAACP Huntington Branch and the Huntington Assembly of God to bring this extremely useful event to Huntington Station. It is without question that early detection is the best way to combat and beat breast cancer and that makes access to no-cost screenings so critical. I urge everyone who can benefit to call to schedule an appointment and get the health information they need to protect their life and their future,” stated Senator Mattera.



The custom-designed 40-foot van offers state-of-the-art 3D digital mammograms.

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