



Women of DISTINCTION

HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Dolores Orr

Dolores Orr is a lifelong resident of Rockaway Beach. Her paternal grandparents moved from Manhattan to Rockaway in 1933, while they both served as New York City Police Officers.

Ms. Orr had a twenty-five year career with Verizon, following her maternal grandfather, mother and oldest brother. She currently works for the NYC Department of Education at PS 50 in Queens.

Ms. Orr has always been a community volunteer and leader. At the young age of 12, she was the President of the Junior Auxiliary of the Denis M. O'Connell American Legion Post #272.

Currently, Ms. Orr is Chairperson of Community Board #14 and has been a member of the Board for the past 25 years. As Chairperson, representing 113,000 residents, she works each day to improve the quality of life by interacting with all levels of government, assessing needs of the neighborhoods, addressing community concerns and advocating for the residents. She chaired the Housing Committee and championed the development of Arverne by the Sea.

She is a member of the Executive Board of the Friends of Tribute Park – a park built to honor the 70 Rockaway residents who died on September 11th - she works in the maintenance of the Park and leads fundraising opportunities to fund improvements to the Park.

Ms. Orr is an appointed member on Governor Cuomo's NY Rising Community Reconstruction Working Group - a \$17.5 million Superstorm Sandy recovery and resiliency initiative. She is also a member of the community advisory boards of the three homeless shelters in the Rockaways.

Ms. Orr served as President of the Rockaway Beach Civic Association for 10 years and is still currently a member. She also led the community in Rockaway's Relay for Life, raising over \$200,000 for the American Cancer Society.

Always with sand in her shoes, Ms. Orr stands strong for the community she loves.

***Dolores Orr was selected as a
2020 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr.***

