



NEW YORK STATE SENATE

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VETERANS' HALL OF FAME

DOUGLAS BREWSTER

Douglas Brewster was born in Harlem and raised in The Bronx – which ingrained in him the tenacity and toughness that is famous among New Yorkers.

Like many brave men and women of this country, the 9/11 attacks on New York City compelled Corporal Brewster to join the United States Army. By March 2003, he was attending basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and by December of that year, he was on his way to Iraq with the 2nd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division. During that tour, Corporal Brewster's platoon was tasked with raiding and patrolling the dangerous Abu Ghraib section of Baghdad. It was during his first tour that Corporal Brewster was awarded the Bronze Star with Valor, as well as two other Army Commendations for his actions in the battlefield. Corporal Brewster's unit also received Presidential recognition for their actions.

In 2006, Corporal Brewster did a second tour in Baghdad with the 1st Cavalry Division. Once honorably discharged from the military, he continued to pursue his education by attending and graduating from the University of Texas with a Bachelor's degree in American Government and Politics.

Since then, Corporal Brewster has dedicated his life to public service. From 2012 to 2015, he served as a Deputy Chief of Staff in the Texas Capitol. He then moved back to The Bronx, where he joined the Jericho Project as the organization's Veteran Service Coordinator. In this role, Corporal Brewster helps homeless veterans access supportive and affordable housing options as well as connect them to employment opportunities.



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BY SENATOR GUSTAVO RIVERA**

