



# Women of DISTINCTION

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HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

*Gail Castellano*

Gail Castellano, Senior Vice President and Regional Executive of Richmond County Savings Bank, a division of New York Community Bank, has achieved success through hard work, determination and the desire to give back to her community. As a highly motivated and results-oriented leader in her industry, Ms. Castellano began her career 25 years ago at an entry level position, and is parlaying her leadership skills to help those in her community.

One to always selflessly donate her time and energy to meaningful causes, Ms. Castellano is immediate past Board President of the Jewish Community Center of Staten Island and currently serves on its Executive Board. Ms. Castellano is humbled to share her time and expertise as a board member for the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce, the St. George Theatre, and the South Shore Business Improvement District. She is an active member of the Advisory Committee for SCORE, a Cabinet member for the Staten Island Economic Development Corporation and is a co-chair of the Lucille & Jay Chazanoff Sunrise Day Camp Advisory Committee. Ms. Castellano co-chairs the Sunrise Walk campaign that sends children with cancer and their siblings to the day camp free of charge. She has co-chaired this walk since its inception in 2016, and plans to continue until there is no longer a need.

Ms. Castellano received numerous awards over her career. In just the past few years, she received the prestigious SIEDC's Executive Woman of the Year award, was honored at the Eger Foundation's Annual Golf and Bocce Classic and was named one of the 25 most influential people on Staten Island by *City & State* magazine. In addition, Ms. Castellano was named one of Staten Island's 100 Most Powerful People by *City & State, New York*. She has received the Community Impact award from the Jewish Community Center of Staten Island for her work with Sunrise Day Camp.

Ms. Castellano enjoys spending time with her family. She has been married to her husband, John Castellano, for 42 years and has three children and two grandchildren.

***Gail Castellano was selected as a  
2019 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Andrew J. Lanza.***

