My Brother's Keeper Plan Of Action

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The Town of North Hempstead recently submitted its Local Action Plan to Washington as part of the "My Brother's Keeper" (MBK) Challenge, an initiative from President Barack Obama, which focuses on efforts to eliminate opportunity gaps, barriers and challenges facing youth in the community and to ensure that all young people can reach their full potential. North Hempstead Supervisor Judi Bosworth said the town's Action Plan will address the town's goals of ensuring all youth graduate from high school, complete post-secondary education or training and are employed. It includes a strong mentoring program that will start in ninth grade and will allow students to explore different careers throughout high school, participate in a speakers' series about careers and engage in internships.

"We have taken the President's challenge very seriously and I believe that we have designed a formidable action plan," said Supervisor Bosworth. "The foundation of the Town's plan is based on the need for mentoring young people at a critical time of their lives and I know that with the strong commitment we have from our key group of interested parties, that we will make a difference in the lives of these students."

The Town's Action Plan calls for establishing a pilot program with the assistance of the Mentoring Partnership of Long Island (MPLI), which will include a small group of



ninth graders from both Westbury High School and the Manhasset-Great Neck EOC. Mentors, who will volun-

teer and be trained by representatives of MPLI, will guide students to areas of study and work in which they demonstrate interest; encourage them in their scholastic endeavors; and ultimately help them in choosing and

applying for post-secondary options. Mentors would agree to meet with the students over the course of their four years of high school.

In addition, the program will

include a well-structured summer internship program which would expose students to a wide variety of

job possibilities and give them important workplace experience.

Students would be chosen with the help of the Westbury School District and the Manhasset-Great Neck EOC. MPLI has agreed

to recruit, screen, train, match, monitor and support the mentors, following the Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring.

In addition to this curriculum and

the work the mentors will do with their mentees, the town will create a speakers series, tapping into some of the town's workforce to speak to the students as a group about what their job (and the jobs of those who work for them) entail in order to expose the students to real career options and allow them to ask questions about what it is like to perform those jobs.

Cindy Cardinal, Chief of Staff for the Supervisor, and Rachel Brinn, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the Supervisor, are the local points of contact for the My Brother's Keeper Challenge working in tandem with the Town of North Hempstead. For more information on how to get involved with MBK in the Town of North Hempstead, contact cardinalc @northhempsteadny.gov.

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Residents who wish to register for Manorhaven Beach Park's summer session can do so by visiting the registration office at Manorhaven Beach Park pool which is open daily Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The pool is scheduled to open on June 20 with hours 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily until August 16, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily from Aug. 17 through Sept. 7.

Early bird registration represents a significant cost savings:

significant cost savings: **Early Bird** Regular **Family** \$322 \$280 Couple \$265 \$230 Individual (ages 18 to 59) \$145 \$167 Senior (ages 60+) \$98 \$85 Senior Couple \$115 \$100

Youth (ages 3 to 7) \$115 \$100 Disabled \$98 \$85 Volunteer/Veteran/ **Disabled Individual** \$85 Volunteer/Veteran/ **Disabled Family** \$255 \$294 Volunteer/Veteran/ **Disabled Couple** \$236 \$205 \$150 \$130 Nanny Recently renovated, Manorhaven

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