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**\$11.7
MILLION IN
FEDERAL
FUNDS FOR
MOUNT
VERNON
CONGRESSMAN ELIOT ENGEL REPORTS**

In the last 18 months, Congressman Engel has brought over \$11.7 million in Federal funds and grants to Mount Vernon.

The Federal funds and grants he obtained improved Mount Vernon's public schools, law enforcement, fire safety, housing, health care and promoted job-creating economic development.

Engel obtained over \$2.33 million to improve education in Mount Vernon's schools. He secured \$260,000 for Library upgrades and \$2 million for work on the railroad cut.

The Fire Department received \$355,000 for new fire fighting equipment and to improve fire prevention. Funds were secured for Mount Vernon Hospital, Leak and Watts infant services and for the Archway Substance Abuse Outreach program. The City of Mount Vernon received over \$1.2 million to support and improve on-going community services.

To build new, affordable housing and to improve existing housing, Engel obtained over \$3 million from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Department of Justice funds were obtained for Mount Vernon, including funds to combat drugs and for bulletproof vests for police officers.

He obtained economic development funds for WestHelp's Employment Resource Center and Entrepreneurial Training Program and \$145,500 was secured for the Mount Vernon Hip Hop, Job Training and Cultural Center.

In addition to the \$11.7 million for Mount Vernon, Engel worked to secure millions for Westchester County to replace buses with new, more efficient ones and for crime prevention programs.

"One of the most important things that I can do as your Congressman is to work hard to bring Federal grants back from Washington. I am proud to have been so successful for Mount Vernon year after year," Congressman Eliot Engel stated.

Engel Supports Immigration Reform

Congressman Eliot Engel is a strong supporter of the Secure America and Orderly Immigration Act, the House of Representatives' version of legislation sponsored by Senators Kennedy and McCain.

"America was founded by immigrants, expanded through the hard work and labor of immigrants. While we want to insure our laws are enforced, we must update and streamline the immigration process to make it fairer," Engel stated at a recent immigrant rally.

Mount Vernon REPORT from Congressman ELIOT ENGEL



Congressman Eliot Engel discussing the need to change the new Medicaid Part D Prescription Drug Program at the Part D information meeting he held for seniors in Mount Vernon.

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