How congestion pricing will benefit Northwest Queens

New York City's transit system is in crisis

Congestion pricing is a realistic step we can take to reduce traffic, cut air pollution, and increase funding for public transportation.

▶ **Congestion pricing** would charge drivers entering Manhattan below 60th Street at certain times, and use the revenue for citywide transit improvements.

▶ **If congestion pricing is not passed, transit fares will need to rise by 27%** to pay for essential projects, according to the MTA.

▶ **In London,** congestion pricing has improved transit, reduced traffic congestion by 15%, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 20%. In Stockholm, traffic congestion decreased by 22% and childhood asthma rates dropped by 50% after congestion pricing started.

Improvements are planned — but need funding

These MTA projects are underway or already completed:

▶ More reliable service on the E, F, M, and R

▶ Direct LIRR service into Grand Central when East Side Access is complete

▶ Provide new intercoms so customers can speak directly to transit employees for information or emergency assistance

▶ Modern, resilient voice and data communications

▶ Energy efficient windows at LaGuardia Depot

Many of these projects are delayed or in need of additional money to proceed:

▶ A new Elmhurst Station on the LIRR's Port Washington Branch

▶ Up to 1.5 hours of time savings for Queens express bus riders each week

▶ More reliable train service on the G line

▶ Over 180 fully accessible (ADA) stations system-wide in 10 years

▶ Purchase over 3,000 new subway cars

Help New Yorkers get where they need to go — Get congestion pricing passed in 2019!

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