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## **NYC Department of Homeless Services Proposed Homeless Shelter**

NYC Department of Homeless Services has **proposed a Homeless Shelter** located at 243-02 Northern Blvd. at the **site of the Pride of Judea next to CVS**. This Homeless Shelter is **slated to house 75 women**, 50 years and older. However that could change at any time.

### **This is NOT a done deal. Contracts have NOT been signed.**

The City proposes to put these **women sleeping on cots in dormitory** or barracks like setting, 8-12 in a room, **sharing one bathroom for every ten women**. We have serious concerns about the **inhumane conditions** in which these women will be forced to live.

All this is to **save money and not to help or give respect and dignity to these women**. This is nothing more than **money making scheme not a charitable outreach to help the homeless**.

The Douglaston Civic Association (**DCA**) **opposes this proposed site as inhumane, unsafe, a concerning issue being so close to a school, two churches** as well as being a **boondoggle**.

1. We ask you to **call, email, and write your elected officials**. Contact info enclosed. Express that this Homeless Shelter in Douglaston actually is a **Homeless Warehouse** and is **inhumane, shameful way of treating seniors and unsuitable setting for recovery**. **Hand written letters** of just 2 or 3 paragraphs are the most effective.
2. We need **your financial support to retain Legal Counsel and expert witnesses**. ***Please Donate*** \$500, \$250, \$100 or whatever you would like to contribute. **Attached is a donation and membership envelope for your contribution**. Make your check payable to the Douglaston Civic Association c/o Marie Marsina, Treasurer PO Box 630222 Douglaston, NY 11363 or contribute **online at [doug civic.com](http://doug civic.com) >Membership > Donate**

We have already **raised 80% of the money needed and retained a highly respected Law Firm**.

**We MUST unite and join together. Tell your neighbors and friends to call, email and write all our local elected officials**. Ask these politicians if they are running again for re-election, let them know that we expect their support and **this is an election issue**.

**We are a compassionate community** and know the homeless need help **a place to eat, sleep and rehabilitate**. We pray that they will soon be on their way to a better life. **This shelter is exactly how NOT to help the Homeless. Let's get permanent housing for them**.

**Please help us reach our goal! Your donations will greatly enhance our ability to engage the best lawyers, expert witnesses and strengthen our efforts**.

Visit [doug civic.com](http://doug civic.com) for more information about the DCA and what is happening in our Community.

**Support the DCA!** If you are not a member yet **please join**.

***If You Respect Seniors Take Action Now!***