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### 2018 Goals Build on Recent Success

This year began with a long stretch of frigid temperatures. We are fortunate to live in a community with so many individuals and organizations dedicated to helping others by opening their churches to shelter people from the elements, responding to water breaks and fires resulting from the prolonged cold, and shoveling safe pathways where neighbors need help. *(Thank you to Matt Kerestesy for this icy image.)*

Each new year, it's beneficial to reflect on what our experience has taught us about how best to serve the people of Ossining. In 2018, we will build on the success, and lessons, of the past.

I opened last week's Village Board meeting with remarks celebrating the success. To view last week's meeting, [click here](#). My full remarks can be read via [this link to the Village website](#).

### Connecting This Week

Join me for **Open Office Hours** tomorrow, Tuesday from 10am-12noon in the Board of Trustees office at 16 Croton Avenue. I'll be ready to hear from community members on any topic, concern or idea of interest to you. No appointment necessary.

With an upcoming reprieve from frigid temperatures, let's meet for a **Weekly Walk** this Friday at 11am. We'll begin at Overton & Wolden Roads. We are nearing the end of these Weekly Walks, as there are only a few blocks still needed to accomplish my goal of walking every block of the Village! Join me this week for the Walk, and stay tuned for news on what I have planned next.

Have a burning question or idea, but can't make it to Office Hours or the Weekly Walk?... Email me ([mayor@villageofossining.org](mailto:mayor@villageofossining.org)), the Board of Trustees ([bot@villageofossining.org](mailto:bot@villageofossining.org)) or Village Manager Debbie McDonnell ([dmcdonnell@villageofossining.org](mailto:dmcdonnell@villageofossining.org)).

### Coming up This Week

Our first Work Session of the year includes an important discussion of how best to revise our affordable housing policy. With elements of the first four [Policy Strategies of the Housing Needs Assessment recommendations](#) already underway or funded in this year's budget, this week's discussion will focus on Policy Strategy #5. This strategy includes calling for a greater number of new units to be set aside at a lower area median income than

the current level. The Trustees and I are committed to forward-thinking approaches to address the longstanding challenge of preserving housing for working class residents.

With Regards,



Victoria Gearity, Ossining Mayor



## Recreation Program Sign-up!

Ossining Winter 2018 Programs registration is underway [now on-line](#) and in person. We are excited to introduce new youth and adult classes at both the Joseph E. Caputo Community Center & the Cedar Lane Arts Center. We encourage participants to register early for the programs you would like to participate in.

