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Glen Cove City Hall Knitting Club Launches 2026 Veterans Day Donation Drive

Building on last year's success of 1,656 donated items for disabled veterans

Glen Cove, NY, October 2026 – After collecting an impressive 1,656 clothing and comfort items for disabled veterans in 2025, the Glen Cove City Hall Knitting Club is once again calling on the community to help spread warmth and gratitude in honor of Veterans Day.

Last year, the group set an ambitious goal of 1,111 items, inspired by Veterans Day (11/11), and exceeded it by collecting 1,656 handmade and new items, including scarves, hats, gloves, sweaters, blankets, socks, underwear, and other essentials for veterans and their families.

The donations were presented to representatives of Disabled American Veterans (DAV), including John F. Scalesi, Jr., Senior Vice President of DAV New York State, and James Brown, New York Chapter Adjutant, both U.S. Army veterans.

The Glen Cove City Hall Knitting Club was founded by longtime City employees Susan (Sue) Tripp and Angie Colangelo, who began knitting together during lunch breaks. With the help of volunteer instructors Kate Csillag and Cindy Curtis, their small gathering grew into a dedicated group of City employees who meet weekly after hours to create handmade items for those in need.

Last year's success was made possible through the generosity of numerous community partners, including the Glen Cove Senior Center Knitting Club, which contributed 200 handmade items; Bayville Hooks and Needles, led by Mary Ellen Thorgramson; Knit and Crochet with Kate; Glen Cove High School DECA students; the Glen Cove PBA; and City Hall employees from multiple departments.

“We hoped to collect 1,111 items for Veterans Day, and our community answered in a big way,” said Sue Tripp following last year's collection. “Reaching 1,656 items shows how deeply Glen Cove honors its veterans, with every stitch given in gratitude.”

Now, the club hopes to build on that generosity with its 2026 Veterans Day initiative, once again inviting residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations to contribute new or handmade clothing and comfort items.

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The initiative is supported by the City of Glen Cove, with donations accepted at the Building Department or Mayor's Office, located on the third floor of Glen Cove City Hall, 9 Glen Street, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Donations are requested by November 1, 2026.

All collected items will benefit veterans through the Disabled American Veterans network.

Flyer Attached: "Thank You Veterans - Our City Hall Knitters Club"

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