

## West Nile Virus activity\* detected recently in the following Staten Island zip codes: 10301, 10304, 10305, 10306, 10307, 10309, 10310, 10312, 10314

## <u>Neighborhoods: Bloomfield, Bulls Head, Castleton Corners, Dongan Hills, Eltingville, Grant City, Grasmere, Greenridge, Midland</u> <u>Beach, New Dorp, New Dorp Beach, Oakwood, Old Town, Pleasant Plains, Port Richmond, Richmond Valley, Silver Lake,</u> <u>South Beach, Sunnyside, West Brighton, Westerleigh</u>

Now is the time for New Yorkers – especially people over 50 or with weakened immune systems – to take **personal precautions to prevent mosquito bites:** 

- Use repellents that contain 2-undecanone, DEET, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, IR3535, or Picaridin and ALWAYS follow label instructions.
- If outside from dusk to dawn, **wear protective clothing** if possible, such as loose-fitting pants, long-sleeved shirts, and socks.
- Make sure that your doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Fix or replace screens that have tears or holes.

## **Reduce mosquito exposure around your home:**

- Eliminate any standing water that collects on your property.
- Remind or help neighbors to eliminate standing water on their properties.
- Call **311** to report standing water.

For more information about West Nile virus, call 311, or go to <u>www.nyc.gov/health</u>. \*Source: Mosquito West Nile virus surveillance data, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene