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## PLAY IT FORWARD NY

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**Rossville A.M.E. Zion Church and Stapleton Library**

# **FREE** **ANTI-BULLY SUPPORT WORKSHOPS**

Approved by Senator Andrew Lanza and Pediatrician, Melvin Koplow, M. D.

**WHO:** *Play It Forward NY* Anti-Bully Support workshops, founded by Stefan Barone, and Debra Santulli-Barone (info at 646-765-6531)

**WHAT:** Children/teens experiencing any type of bullying (in-school, cyber-bullying, food allergy). Parents looking for resources are welcome. **FREE REFRESHMENTS**

**WHERE:** **NORTH SHORE:** Stapleton Library, 132 Canal Street, SI 10304

**WHEN:** Tuesday, May 23, 2017 from 5-7pm

**WHERE:** **SOUTH SHORE:** Rossville AME Zion lower hall, 584 Bloomingdale Rd,

**WHEN:** Wednesday, May 24, 2017 From 4-6pm

**WHY:** Bringing children/teens together who have experienced bullying. Offering a safe place to brainstorm together on how to handle the problem. Hear from others who experienced bullying and created a positive life; meet other peers in similar circumstances. Parents meet with other parents. For more info visit: **PlayItForwardNY.com** and **Facebook.com/PlayItForwardny**

Stefan Barone, Founder, shares his insights on how to handle the situation. He advocates on local and national media: **Fox 5 Good Day Street Talk**, **NY1 News**(covered Stefan's First Annual *Play It Forward NY* Anti-BullyWalk), **Staten Island Advance** (named Stefan "Newsmaker of the Week," for the article "Taking a Bite out of Bullying", by Sarah Buccellato), **ABC's 20/20** with Connie Chung, and **ABC's Good Morning America** with Charlie Gibson where he was interviewed as a teen.

Approving the group are: Senator Andrew Lanza, who advocates to end cyber bullying, and pediatrician, Dr. Melvin Koplow, who dedicates his time to spread awareness and assist Play It Forward NY.

Helpful Resources and Reading: 1) Visit [DrMDK.com](http://DrMDK.com) AND click **Bullied** 2) *Bullies to Buddies: How to Turn Your Enemies into Friends!* By author Izzy Kalman, MS, NCSP Visit: [Bullies2Buddies.com](http://Bullies2Buddies.com)