



**Keeping New York Safe**

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## **NYSCOPBA CONDEMNS THE CLOSURE OF SEVEN ANNEXES**

ALBANY, NY— Today, New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association (NYSCOPBA) President Donn Rowe released the following statement regarding the closure of seven minimum-security annexes and the potential forced layoff of up to 446 corrections officers.

“Today’s announcement that DOCS will be closing seven annexes and potentially laying off up to 446 corrections officers is the latest in a slew of irresponsible actions taken by this department at the expense of public safety,” said Donn Rowe. “Our prisons, which currently operate at 104% capacity, are already overcrowded and understaffed and these cuts will only exacerbate an already dangerous situation, endangering the lives of corrections officers and increasing the risk of inmate violence.”

In this year’s budget, the legislature already ordered the closure of three prisons in upstate New York—a move that will cause further overcrowding, endangering the lives of corrections officers and increasing the risk of inmate violence. Last week, the state proposed disproportional layoffs to the Department of Corrections. Today, the Department of Correctional Services (DOCS) has ordered the closure of seven annexes.

“Our members work in some of the most dangerous and stressful conditions imaginable and in return all we ask is that we work in a safe and secure environment,” continued President Rowe. “This year the state has already closed prisons and proposed disproportional layoffs to department of corrections. At what point will the Commissioner put the lives of Corrections Officers ahead of his bottom line? Endangering the safety of Corrections Officers and the public at large is not something to compromise.”

New York State Correctional Officers and Police Benevolent Association (NYSCOPBA), Inc. is the Union representing over 23,000 New York State Employees in the Security Services sector. As corrections officers, NYSCOPBA members do some of the toughest work there is, so that all of us stay safe.

**Below is a full list of the annexes slated for closure:**

Butler Correctional Facility  
P.O. Box 388, Westbury Cutoff Rd  
Red Creek, New York 13143-0388  
(315) 754-8001 (Wayne County)

Eastern NY Correctional Facility  
Box 338, Institution Rd  
Napanoch, New York 12458-0338  
(845) 647-7400 (Ulster County)

Groveland Correctional Facility  
P.O. Box 50  
Route 36, Sonyea Road  
Sonyea, New York 14556-0050  
(585) 658-2871 (Livingston County)

Green Haven Correctional Facility  
594 Route 216  
Stormville, New York 12582-0010  
(845) 221-2711 (Dutchess County)

Lakeview Shock Incarceration C. F.  
9300 Lake Avenue  
P.O. Box T  
Brocton, New York 14716-9798  
(716) 792-7100 (Chautauqua County)

Sullivan Correctional Facility  
P.O. Box 116  
325 Riverside Drive  
Fallsburg, New York 12733-0116  
(845) 434-2080 (Sullivan County)

Washington Correctional Facility  
P.O.Box 180  
72 Lock 11 Lane  
Comstock, New York 12821-0180  
(518) 639-4486 (Washington County)

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