

# Cynthia Doty:

## Fighting the system

Cynthia Doty is fearless. She has taken on the big money interests, well-connected lobbyists, and political insiders, to make government open and accountable to the people.

### Columbia

Cynthia is working to make Columbia a responsible neighbor. Their expansion must comply with community needs and zoning plans, must respect the environment and our health, and must not displace existing residents and businesses.

### Fighting rent increases. Protecting tenants.

As a tenant leader, Cynthia has testified repeatedly before the Rent Guidelines Board to stop rent increases and demand landlords open their books. As director of Westside Empowerment and Community Action Network, Cynthia organized tenants to lobby Albany to protect rent regulated, Mitchell-Lama and SRO tenants.

### West Side Stadium

When the MTA board and their well-connected lobbyist friends tried to sneak the West Side Stadium sweetheart deal past us, Cynthia testified at the Empire State Development Corporation hearings, rallied at City Hall, picketed the MTA board and collected thousands of signatures on petitions to the Mayor and Speaker Silver.

### Patriot Act and the Iraq war

Cynthia marched to stop the expansion of the Patriot Act to protect our civil liberties and privacy. As a member of Westsiders for Peace, Cynthia has repeatedly marched against Bush's Iraq war.

### Protecting Social Security

Cynthia held community workshops and coordinated a major grassroots petition drive that collected over 6,000 signatures to stop Bush's privatization of Social Security.



“Cynthia worked as hard as anyone to stop the stadium. She is committed to preserving our neighborhoods and fighting for a more open and responsive government.”

—Assembly Member  
**Richard N. Gottfried**



*Cynthia demonstrates on 125th Street against the war in Iraq.*



*Cynthia on the steps of City Hall, fighting the MTA's rigged sale of the Hudson rail yards.*



*Cynthia Doty at the Tent City Protest, demanding that Columbia answer questions about the safety of their proposed Biotech Center.*



*Marching with labor to protect the right of university teaching assistants to unionize.*