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Mr. Allan Kullen  
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People of America Foundation  
5760 Sunnyside Avenue  
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Dear Allan:

On behalf of our Superintendent Dr. Jerry W. Shiveley and our entire organization, I want you to know we are delighted that Nassau BOCES has been selected to take a leadership role in developing Americans All® New York for the State. The support that this has received from our district's schools has clearly demonstrated our interest and commitment to this effort.

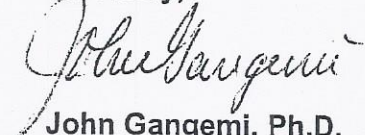
I have enclosed the Implementation Plan for Americans All® New York. We are very well prepared to act as the fiscal agent for the State, and are in the process of developing the advisory committee that will assist our own staff and other BOCES' curriculum directors in linking the materials to our State social science framework and standards programs.

We are also completing our research on other education organizations within the State that will support our work in the same way that the Vermont Historical Society has agreed to partner with its own Department of Education. With a state this large, it is important for us to make sure that we have investigated all potential partners in this area.

Please let me know as soon as full funding has been obtained for New York so that we can begin implementing this critically needed program.

Thank you again very much for your confidence in us and we look forward to a long and very successful working relationship with the Foundation.

Sincerely,

  
John Gangemi, Ph.D.  
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Ms. Gene Silverman



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March 19, 2002

Mr. Allan Kullen, President  
People of America Foundation  
5760 Sunnyside Avenue  
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

Dear Allan:

Assistant Director Anne Schiano has asked me to respond to your letter of February 12, 2002 concerning the availability of the Americans All materials. State Education Department policy does not allow us to review, endorse, or recommend commercial materials for use in public or nonpublic schools in New York State. You will need to contact BOCES and school districts directly to inform them about your curriculum and its costs.

Thank you for sending the information about your program and the timeline of historic events. Good luck with your dissemination efforts in New York.

Sincerely,

George M. Gregory  
Supervisor of Educational Programs

cc: Anne Schiano



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November 15, 1999

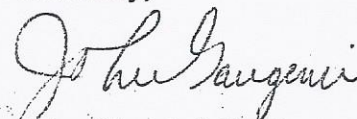
Mr. Allan Kullen  
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Dear Allan:

This is to advise you that Nassau BOCES is very interested in serving as the coordinating agency for the Americans All Project which we spoke about recently and over the past few months.

Please accept this letter as an indication of our support and interest. I will be calling you shortly to set up a meeting with you, Dr. Jerry Shiveley, our District Superintendent, and me. Thank you for considering Nassau BOCES for this important project.

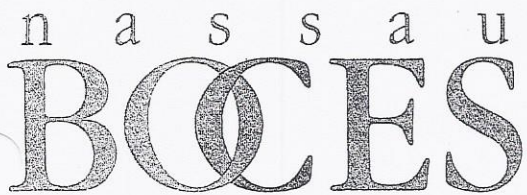
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May 14, 2002

**Department of  
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& Technology**

Gene Silverman  
Assistant Director

Dear Curriculum and Instruction Administrator:

I would like to introduce you to the People of America Foundation Americans for All® instructional materials. The People of American Foundation is committed to assisting educators to meet the requirements of Standard-Based instruction using State specific cultural databases that provide accurate and social political histories with specific attention to the six ethnic and or cultural groups that help build our nation, Native Americans, African Americans, Asian Americans, European Americans, Mexican Americans and Puerto Rican Americans

Nassau BOCES has begun to facilitate this opportunity for our component districts. We interface with the People of America Foundation to assist the registration of school buildings to begin involvement with the project. Ultimately, we will have organized web pages for elementary, middle and high schools. Building principals register by going to the Americans All web page. The Foundation will then seek to find sponsors to cover the cost of teacher and student materials so that the entire program can be made available to schools at no cost. When a region amasses a critical number of schools the Foundation begins finding and allocating funds.

Nassau County schools have responded favorably. To date 56% have registered online to participate. I encourage you to visit the web page [www.americansall.com](http://www.americansall.com) and contact the president, Allan Kullen at 301-982-5622 if you would like to pursue this opportunity for your school or region.

If you would like to collaborate with me to organize a New York State implementation, please contact me at 516-396-2389.

Sincerely,

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cc: Allan Kullen, People of America Foundation  
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## **Steering Committee**

(In Formation)

**Gene Silverman**, with an education career that spans 20 years, is the Assistant Director of the Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology at the Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), in Nassau County, New York. She is responsible for the Department's supervision, grants and programs, strategic planning and new development. Prior to this position, she served as the department's Supervisor and Assistant Coordinator for the Department of Career Education.

Active in several education organizations, Ms. Silverman has been a member of the Association for Staff and Curriculum Development (ASCD) at the national, state, and local levels, including serving as president elect of the Long Island ASCD, past president of the Phi Delta Kappa, Long Island University Chapter, and Executive Board member of the Nassau Association of Directors of Curriculum and Instruction. She has also been a part of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the National Middle School Association and the International Society for Technology in Education.

Ms. Silverman holds a bachelor's degree in early education from Empire State College and a master's of professional studies from the State University of New York at New Paltz. Ms. Silverman presents regularly both nationally and regionally on topics related to technology integration in schools.



Board of Cooperative Educational Services

**interoffice**  
**MEMORANDUM**

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To: Nassau BOCES Principals  
CC: Nassau BOCES District Administrators  
From: Marie Archibee  
Date: February 1, 2002  
Re: Americans All® New York Project

Nassau BOCES has been invited to partner with the People of America Foundation to organize historical information dealing with our state and region for class and individual student delivery. Attached you will find two flyers describing Americans All® New York.

Your help is needed to make this project work. After you have reviewed this information, please go to their Web site, [www.americansall.com](http://www.americansall.com), to register your school for this project. Once full funding is received by the Foundation, not only will your school receive, cost-free, these valuable resources (keyed to NYS social studies standards), but New York will also receive financial support to develop state-specific materials. More important, the Foundation recognizes that each region will use the data in a manner that best serves the needs of its students.

Your registration guarantees that, in addition to the Americans All® materials, your school will receive all future national publications developed by the Foundation, also at no charge, as well as resources that are developed specifically for New York and Nassau County. All ethnic heritages are honored, valued and involved in the development process.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (516) 608-6608 or by email at [marchibe@mail.nasboces.org](mailto:marchibe@mail.nasboces.org); or Allan Kullen, President of the Foundation at (301) 982-5622 or [allan@americansall.com](mailto:allan@americansall.com).

Thank you for considering this opportunity. We are sure you'll agree that your teachers and students will benefit from this worthwhile endeavor.



## **Why should we do it?**

Besides receiving these valuable resources, you will be helping New York receive financial support to develop state specific materials related to our History/Social Studies Standards. These Americans All® New York Materials will include resources such as a New York timeline, a photograph collection, poster collection and other curriculum, instruction, and assessment materials such as units, lesson plans, and primary sources.

## **What are we obligated to do?**

This is an opportunity, not an obligation. To participate in this distribution, for which there is no cost, a school must verify its enrollment because the quantity and composition of materials each school will receive as a gift from the Foundation depends on its student enrollment. In addition, each school must provide the Foundation with the names of two instructors who will serve as liaisons to ensure that the program materials will be used. These liaisons will also receive information about professional development opportunities available to your school. Names of those teachers will never be made available to the public.

## **Where can I get more information about this?**

Please contact Allan Kullen, People of America Foundation, at (301) 982-5622 or [allan@americansall.com](mailto:allan@americansall.com). If you would like to speak to a Nassau BOCES representative, please contact Marie Archibee at (516) 608-6608 or [marchibe@mail.nasboces.org](mailto:marchibe@mail.nasboces.org).

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To: Nassau Private and Parochial School Principals  
From: Dr. John Gangemi, Deputy Superintendent, Nassau BOCES  
Allan Kullen, President, People of America Foundation  
Date: February 7, 2002  
Re: Americans All© New York Project

We are writing to advise you of a new curriculum development opportunity that will have positive implications for your social studies program.

Nassau BOCES has been invited to partner with the People of America Foundation to organize historical information dealing with our state and region for class and individual student delivery. Enclosed you will find two flyers describing Americans All© New York. This opportunity is available to all public and private/parochial schools in this area. It will be coordinated locally through the Nassau BOCES.

Your help is needed to make this project work. After you have reviewed this information, please go to the Foundation's Web site, [www.americansall.com](http://www.americansall.com), to register your school for this project. Once full funding is received by the Foundation, not only will your school receive, cost-free, these valuable resources (keyed to NYS social studies standards), but New York will also receive financial support to develop state-specific materials. More important, the Foundation recognizes that each region will use the data in a manner that best serves the needs of its students.

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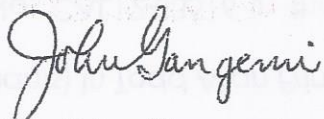
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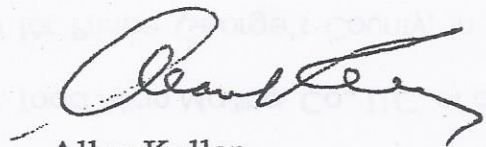
If you have any questions, please contact Allan Kullen,  
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Thank you for considering this opportunity. We are sure you'll  
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worthwhile endeavor.

Sincerely,



Dr. John Gangemi  
Deputy Superintendent  
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Allan Kullen  
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Enclosures