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## **Suozzi Holds Commanding 33-Point Lead over Haber in Democratic Primary**

*Likely Voters Prefer Suozzi on all Issues by Wide Margins*

**Potential November Mangano vs. Suozzi Rematch a Dead Heat**

*Voters Give High Marks to Education, Parks & Police; Failing Grades to Affordability, Jobs & Gov't Responsiveness in Nassau*

**Loudonville, NY.**, Former Nassau County Executive Tom Suozzi holds a 33-point lead, 58 to 25 percent over Businessman Adam Haber according to The Newsday/Siena College Poll of likely Nassau County voters released today. By wide margins likely Democratic primary voters think Suozzi would do a better job than Haber representing them on fighting crime, improving public education, managing the county's fiscal affairs, creating jobs, keeping county taxes under control, making county government more efficient and making sure Nassau fully recovers from Hurricane Sandy.

In a potential general election rematch between County Executive Ed Mangano and Suozzi, voters could not be more evenly divided. Forty-two percent would vote for Suozzi and 41 percent would vote for Mangano. Both Mangano and Suozzi are well known and well-liked by voters as Mangano has a favorability ranking of 57 percent with 27 percent unfavorable while Suozzi's numbers are 53 percent positive and 31 percent negative.

"Right now a thriller in Nassau appears likely among these two local heavyweights, Suozzi and Mangano. Each holds over two-thirds support within their own party while independents are evenly divided. A race that was decided four years ago by an electoral handful, seems likely to be repeated," said Don Levy, SRI's Director.

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This Newsday/Siena College Poll was conducted August 18-25, 2013 by telephone calls to 1715 Nassau County registered voters of whom 502 were likely Democratic Primary voters. It has a margin of error of  $\pm 2.4$  percentage points for registered voters and  $\pm 4.4$  percentage points for likely Democratic primary voters. Data was statistically adjusted by age and gender to ensure representativeness. The Siena College Research Institute, directed by Donald Levy, Ph.D., conducts political, economic, social and cultural research primarily in New York State. SRI, an independent, non-partisan research institute, subscribes to the American Association of Public Opinion Research Code of Professional Ethics and Practices. For more information, call Don Levy at 518-783-2901. For survey cross-tabs and frequencies: [www.Siena.edu/SRI/SNY](http://www.Siena.edu/SRI/SNY).