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## Neighbors Furious Over Open Crypts, Strewn Tombstones

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BAYSIDE, NY (PIX11)

It's a cemetery that looks like a scene out of a horror movie. Bayside Cemetery in Queens, right off Pitkin Avenue, has overturned headstones, either broken or misplaced.

"I was just doing my deliveries nearby and took a peek. What I saw was disturbing," said Anthony Pisciotta, who emailed PIX11 News pictures of the horrific scene.

The graveyard is in disarray, some crypts are left open, rotting skeletons are in clear view of the street.

"If it was a dead dog in the street, someone would move it, take it away. There are no words," said Pisciotta, giving PIX11 News a disturbing tour.

Miguel Magana, a landscaper who was hired by the management at the cemetery, told PIX11 News, "We are cleaning it up."

A groundskeeper, who did not want to be identified, told PIX11 News the crypts will be closed within two week, but some say that's way too long of a wait.

"There is no respect for human life here," said Pisciotta, shaking his head in disgust.

The State Department of Consumer Affairs confirmed Bayside Cemetery is a religious cemetery, not under their jurisdiction. PIX11 News contacted the Jewish Federation and is still waiting for a call back.

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