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No. 2025-01
October 14, 2025

RESOLUTION AWARDING COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT FUND GRANTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 14(1) of the New York Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Advisory Board (CAB) is empowered to advise and issue recommendations to the Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) on the use of medical cannabis, adult-use cannabis and cannabinoid hemp and hemp extract in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 14(1) of the Cannabis Law, the CAB is empowered to govern and administer the New York State Community Grants Reinvestment Fund (Fund) pursuant to section 99-kk of the New York State Finance Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 99-kk(4) of the State Finance Law, the moneys in the Fund shall be awarded by CAB and administered and disbursed by OCM to provide grants for qualified community-based nonprofit organizations and approved local government entities for the purpose of reinvesting in communities disproportionately affected by past federal and state drug policies;

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2024, RFA #2816, which invited applications for awards from the Fund, was issued by New York State Office of General Services on behalf of OCM; and

WHEREAS, RFA #2816 was developed in consultation with CAB to reflect guidance issued at the February 27 and June 26, 2024, CAB meetings that determined the programmatic focus areas, eligibility requirements, geographical prioritization methodology, award value and duration, and the application evaluation and scoring methodology for Fund awards; and

WHEREAS, OCM implemented a fair, objective, and competitive bid process in accordance with guidance issued by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) that ensured broad outreach and dissemination of the grant opportunity, equal access to key information about the award process, and an independent application review process using trained independent evaluators screened for conflicts of interests and who used a standard scoring and evaluation instrument; and vendor responsibility vetting of each applicant; and

WHEREAS, through this process, OCM identified the 50 top scoring applicants recommended for award according to the methodology in RFA #2816; and

WHEREAS, OSC approved the procurement record for RFA #2816 on September 19th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, tentative award contracts have been generated for each recommended awardee and approved by the Office of the NYS Attorney General and have been submitted for final review by OSC; and

WHEREAS, finalization of awards is subject to both final OSC approval and contract execution and the CAB's affirmative awarding of the recommended results via resolution; and

WHEREAS, the total amount to be awarded across all 50 recommended awardees is $5 million; and

WHEREAS, OCM is recommending that CAB formally award the 50 recommended grants that resulted from RFA #2816; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that CAB approves by majority vote and through the adoption of this resolution the Fund awards to the recommend organizations and in the amounts set forth in Attachment A.

[Attachment A]

Resolution 2025-02 - Attachment A

Application ID	Applicant Org Name	County	ESD Region	Project Type	Project Title	Award Amount
CRPG-2024-00759	COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FOR YOUTH INC	Bronx County	New York City	Workforce Development	PODER Youth Leadership Collective	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00979	DREAMYARD DRAMA PROJECT INC	Bronx County	New York City	Workforce Development	Pathways to Success: DreamYard's Workforce Development Initiative	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00747	NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FOR INTER-CULTURAL AFFAIRS INC	Bronx County	New York City	Housing	Rental Assistance Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00306	POINT COMMUNITY DEVEL CORP	Bronx County	New York City	Mental Health	Youth Arts and Civic Education Project	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00926	FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES OF CORTLAND COUNTY INC	Broome County	Southern Tier	Mental Health	School-Based Mental Health Services - Broome County	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00667	VOLUNTEERS IMPROVING NEIGHBORHOOD ENVIRONMENTS INC	Broome County	Southern Tier	Workforce Development	Grow Binghamton REACH (Resources Education Access Community Hope)	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00164	EAST HILL FAMILY MEDICAL INC	Cayuga County	Central	Mental Health	Screening, Intervention and Referral to Treatment for Young Patients	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00417	YOUNG WOMENS CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION	Chautauqua County	Western	Mental Health	YWCA Jamestown Summer Leadership Summit	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00715	HUDSON RIVER HOUSING INC	Dutchess County	Mid Hudson	Housing	HRH's Supportive Housing and Services for Older Homeless Youth/Young Adults	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00788	COMPEER WEST INC	Erie County	Western	Mental Health	School-Based Mental Health Mentoring	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00410	DYOUVILLE COLLEGE	Erie County	Western	Mental Health	Refresh Community Mental Health Project	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00762	FAMILY PROMISE OF WNY	Erie County	Western	Mental Health	From Crisis to Confidence: Youth Mental Health & Development Programs at FPWNY	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00753	PROJECT MONAS HOUSE INC	Erie County	Western	Mental Health	The Young Women's Empowerment Academy Supporting Girls of Color in Buffalo, NY	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00189	CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ASSOCIATION OF JEFFERSON CTY	Jefferson County	North Country	Mental Health	Bridge the Gap: 4-H Afterschool Student Resources	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00986	BRIDGING ACCESS TO CARE INC	Kings County	New York City	Mental Health	Bridge to Recovery Youth Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00883	COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES INC	Kings County	New York City	Mental Health	Advocacy for Brooklyn youth impacted by the NYC foster care system	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00686	FAMILY CENTER INC	Kings County	New York City	Mental Health	RizeUp	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00816	MADISON SQUARE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB	Kings County	New York City	Workforce Development	Teen Campus Project (Brooklyn)	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00179	VIBE THEATER EXPERIENCE INC	Kings County	New York City	Mental Health	T.H.R.I.V.E (Thrive, Heal, Restore, Imagine, Value, Explore) Fellowship Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00290	HOPE585 INC	Monroe County	Finger Lakes	Housing	Housing Cash Assistance and Case Management for Low Income Families and Youth Aging Out of Foster Care	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00588	THE CENTER FOR YOUTH SERVICES INC	Monroe County	Finger Lakes	Housing	Runaway and Homeless Youth Transitional Living Programs	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00146	UNITY HOSPITAL OF ROCHESTER	Monroe County	Finger Lakes	Workforce Development	Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) Training and Job Placement	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00872	URBAN LEAGUE OF ROCHESTER	Monroe County	Finger Lakes	Mental Health	Urban League Youth for Change	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00527	ERASE RACISM	Nassau County	Long Island	Workforce Development	Investing in Equity: Workforce Development for Systemic Change	$100,000
CRPG-2024-01132	LONG ISLAND COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCE	Nassau County	Long Island	Mental Health	LICADD's Youth Advisory Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00351	HETRICK-MARTIN INSTITUTE INC	New York County	New York City	Mental Health	Improving mental health outcomes for LGBTQIA+ youth and BIPOC LGBTQIA+ youth in New York City.	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00472	PEOPLES THEATRE PROJECT INC	New York County	New York City	Mental Health	The PTP Academy for Leadership, Theatre, & Advocacy	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00755	MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY INC	Oneida County	Mohawk	Mental Health	Level Up Transition Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00088	AURORA OF CENTRAL NEW YORK INC	Onondaga County	Central	Workforce Development	Sen$e & Success	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00234	EXALT YOUTH	Onondaga County	Central	Workforce Development	exalt's Core Internship Program Replication	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00807	FRIENDS OF THE ROSAMOND GIFFORD ZOO AT BURNETT PARK INC	Onondaga County	Central	Workforce Development	ZooGuides	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00394	BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF NEWBURGH INC	Orange County	Mid Hudson	Workforce Development	Youth Force	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00626	HONOR EHG INC	Orange County	Mid Hudson	Housing	A Friend's House	$100,000

CRPG-2024-00729	DANCING CLASSROOMS INC	Queens County	New York City	Mental Health	Fostering Mental Health, Equity, and Cultural Connections Through Inclusive Arts Education in Queens	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00811	SAMUEL FIELD YM & YWHA INC	Queens County	New York City	Workforce Development	Young Entrepreneur Culinary Training Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00611	CAPITAL ROOTS INC	Rensselaer County	Capital Region	Workforce Development	The Produce Project	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00710	SNUG HARBOR CULTURAL CENTER & BOTONICAL aGARDEN	Richmond County	New York City	Workforce Development	Loving the Land: A Two-Year Apprenticeship in Productive Agroecology	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00286	THE CHILDRENS AID SOCIETY	Richmond County	New York City	Workforce Development	Civic Technician Training Program at Curtis High School	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00613	UNITED WAY OF ROCKLAND SEFA	Rockland County	Mid Hudson	Mental Health	Nyack Teens In Action Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00426	VCS INC	Rockland County	Mid Hudson	Mental Health	2025-2027 Student Mental Health Services and Career-Skills Development Program	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00151	SOCIAL ENTERPRISE AND TRAINING CENTER	Schenectady County	Capital Region	Workforce Development	SEAT Center - Student Support Equipment & Supplies	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00944	INTEGRATED COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES NETWORK INC	Schoharie County	Mohawk	Mental Health	Schoharie County Community Based Support	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00097	POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE OF MASSENA	St. Lawrence County	North Country	Mental Health	"PAL Power Leagues: Connecting Youth with Brighter Futures"	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00805	BRIDGEHAMPTON CHILD CARE & RECREATIONAL CENTER INC	Suffolk County	Long Island	Workforce Development	Community Reinvestment for our Children, Families & Community @The Center	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00750	ISLAND HARVEST LTD	Suffolk County	Long Island	Workforce Development	Workforce Skills Development Institute	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00887	SOUND JUSTICE INITIATIVE INC	Suffolk County	Long Island	Workforce Development	Second Chances: Pathways to Success for Justice-Involved Youth	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00479	WELLLIFE NETWORK INC	Suffolk County	Long Island	Mental Health	WellLife Network's PlayWell Fund	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00983	KNOW LOVE SERVE	Ulster County	Mid Hudson	Workforce Development	The Place Corps Kingston Fellowship	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00181	FAMILY SERVICES OF WESTCHESTER INC	Westchester County	Mid Hudson	Mental Health	P.A.T.H. Providing Access to Tools for Health	$100,000
CRPG-2024-00791	UNITED WAY OF WESTCHESTER AND PUTNAM INC	Westchester County	Mid Hudson	Mental Health	United Way of Westchester and Putnam's Mental Health Awareness Project	$100,000