



Second Chance Opportunities, Inc.

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To Whom It May Concern,

Second Chance Opportunities, Inc. respectfully submits this proposal requesting \$50,000 in Opioid Settlement Funds to support the expansion of our CRPA-led transportation program for individuals recovering from Substance and Opioid Use Disorders in Albany County. This funding will enable us to increase service capacity, add a part-time Certified Recovery Peer Advocate (CRPA) driver, and improve access to critical appointments and sober support events for individuals in recovery.

We are committed to removing transportation barriers that hinder recovery, treatment access, and successful reintegration. Thank you for considering our request. We look forward to the opportunity to further support recovery-focused services in our community.

Sincerely,



Kellie Roe

Chief Executive Officer
Second Chance Opportunities, Inc.



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1. Recovery Support Program Information

Second Chance Opportunities, Inc. (SCO) is a not-for-profit organization based in Albany, NY, committed to supporting individuals in recovery from Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Opioid Use Disorder (OUD). Founded in 2001 by individuals in recovery, SCO provides recovery-supportive housing, employment programs, peer support, and the only Recovery Community and Outreach Center in Albany County.

SCO is staffed by Certified Recovery Peer Advocates (CRPAs), recovery coaches, housing managers, administrative professionals, and program directors. Clients are referred through treatment providers, courts, therapists, and community partners or connect through outreach and the Recovery Center.

Staff members involved in the proposed project include:

- CRPA Driver (new hire)
- Kellie Roe, Chief Executive Officer
- Chelsea Bell, Chief Financial Officer
- Dan Whalen, Recovery Center Director
- Erica Cecala, Executive Assistant/Office Manager
- Savannah Powell, Human Resources Director
- Transportation scheduler and dispatcher (in-kind support)

2. Use of Opioid Settlement Funds and Grant Period

SCO requests \$50,000 for a 1-year grant period to expand our CRPA-led transportation services. Funds will be used to:

- Hire a part-time CRPA driver for peak, evening, and weekend coverage
- Cover fuel, repairs, car washes, and routine maintenance costs
- Upgrade Routing Box software and scheduling systems
- Provide recovery-focused incentives and public transit support materials

3. Goals and Performance Measures

Program Goals:

- - Expand transportation access for individuals in recovery
- - Reduce missed appointments and treatment barriers
- - Promote community reintegration and recovery engagement

Performance Measures:



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1. At least 100 individuals served; minimum 600 rides completed
2. 80% of riders report improved access to care via surveys
3. 30% reduction in unmet ride requests vs. previous year

4. Budget for \$50,000 in Opioid Settlement Funds

Item	Cost	Description
Part-time CRPA Driver (salary + fringe)	\$25,000	20–25 hrs/week, evenings/weekends, peer-certified
Driver Onboarding & CRPA Certification Support	\$2,000	Includes naloxone and safe-driving training
Vehicle Operations & Maintenance	\$13,000	Fuel, car washes, repairs, maintenance
Technology & Scheduling Support	\$6,000	Routing Box upgrades, dispatcher hours
Recovery Incentives & Transit Materials	\$4,000	CDTA passes, emergency rides, incentives

Total Request: \$50,000