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Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State St., Rm. 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Albany County Department of Mental Health (ACDMH) is seeking permission to apply for the Solutions to End Homelessness Program (STEHP) 2024-2027 Grant from the New York State (NYS) Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), totaling \$1,175,000. This grant will enable us to expand services to underserved populations, specifically addressing the mental health needs of homeless individuals through the development of a Street Psychiatry Program. This grant offers a timely opportunity to deliver mental health care directly to individuals living on the streets, in parks, under bridges, or other community-based locations where homeless individuals are situated. Through community-based delivery of mental health and addiction treatment, the program will help overcome barriers to accessing care through traditional routes.

Please feel free to contact Michael Fitzgerald or me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
Director

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel  
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