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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State Street, Room 710  
Albany, New York 12207


Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Office of the Albany County Executive respectfully requests authorization to apply for Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) grant funding in the amount of \$898,062. The COSSAP grant is administered by the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs.

COSSAP funding would be used to support Albany LEAD's new initiative, 'Growing LEAD: Increasing Operational Capacity to Improve and Expand Service in Albany County.' This new effort will build upon the successful foundation that Albany LEAD has already established. Operational capacity will be increased with the addition of case managers, a full time Project Director and s Community Engagement and Outreach Coordinator to improve coordination between partners and the public, increase public awareness of LEAD, and develop policies and procedures to better serve LEAD communities. This investment into Albany LEAD will provide LEAD services to entirely new communities within Albany County and serve as a proof of concept that LEAD can operate well outside of urban cities.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

  
Daniel P. McCoy  
Albany County Executive

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Kevin Cannizzaro, Majority Counsel  
Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel