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Is the organiza	tion a nonprofit?				
Yes					

If nonprofit, please attach to this application proof of your organization's Tax-Exempt Status

• Tax-Exempt-Status-501c3-Group-Ruling-St.-Catherines-Center-for-Children.pdf

Date of establishment:

05/25/1920

Give a brief description of your organization. Please include information on the organization's activities or mission statement (150 words or less):

(Please note the year of establishment is 1886, the drop-down from above only went to 1920.)

St. Catherine's Center for Children (SCCC) has been serving the Capital Region since 1886, offering programs and services that address our children's and families' challenges. St. Catherine's services reach more than 1,300 children, 800 families, and over 1,800 adults annually.

Our Mission- St. Catherine's Center for Children provides a comprehensive range of human services designed to offer hope, foster growth, and improve the lives of the children, families, and adults we serve.

Our staff of social workers, teachers, child care workers, health care professionals, clinicians, and administrative professionals work tirelessly to deliver services to vulnerable populations throughout 23 New York counties. We offer residential and foster care programs, homeless services for families and single adults, a special education elementary school, and community-based services that reach families in their homes. While other providers may offer one or more of these programs, St. Catherine's is unique in providing them all.

Provide the total number of full-time employees (if applicable):

246

Provide the total number of part-time employees (if applicable):

64

Provide the total number of volunteers (if applicable):

202

What is the organization's current annual budget?

25,447,494

Have you or the organization ever received any form of COVID-19 relief funds or loans specific to the negative impacts of the Pandemic?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify type and amount.

September 2023- \$25,000 awarded from the City of Kingston ARPA Nonprofit Services Grant Program.

PPP loan in the amount of \$2,326,500 was received on 4/23/2020 and forgiven on 8/20/2021.

Did your organization lose revenue as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic? If yes, provide the amount of lost revenue (2020-2022)

Yes, we had a decline in foster homes during COVID. SCCC was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic due to a decreased level of reimbursement for foster care placements. National trends showed foster parents more frequently declined to foster since the start of the pandemic due to fears of introducing COVID-19 into their homes. The daily rate that we would normally receive for placements decreased significantly, but our staff to support our families was still working around the clock to support children and families. In turn, we did not maintain the necessary census for the daily reimbursable rate to cover all of the payroll expenses. Our estimated amount of loss during that time was \$50,000.

Project Proposal

Applicants may choose to apply for up to 2 program areas. Please select the primary program area for which you would like to apply.

Affordable Housing/ Housing Support

If applicable, please select the secondary program area for which you would like to apply.

Behavioral Health, Substance Abuse, Telehealth

What amount of funding is being requested (Must be at least \$100,000 and should not exceed program area totals)?

150,000

Is this a new project or expansion of an existing initiative, please describe.

This is an expansion. Pathways started with a grant from the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation in 2020 and has been sustained through multiple funding sources. Mother Cabrini's funding is no longer available for us. However, in the post-COVID environment, we are seeing an increased gap in services that meet the SDoH and housing needs of vulnerable community members.

Last year, we added a clinical component and explored sustainability through partnerships with health organizations by analyzing our ROI from health cost savings and by exploring the transition to adult Health Home Care Management services.

Please provide an executive summary of the proposed program or project for which you are requesting funds. Include a description of the target population, as well as the goals and objectives of your proposed project (500 words or less).

Project Title

Pathways to Health and Housing (Pathways)

Program Summary

Pathways to Health and Housing (Pathways) uses evidence-based practices to assist participants from homelessness to housing and supports each individual or family with strategies to secure sustainable housing. Critical Time Intervention (CTI) and Motivational Interviewing (MI) are the two primary interventions used. CTI and MI are embedded in St. Catherine's homeless programs, housing and supportive services, and street outreach activities.

Statement of Need

Individuals who are homeless have disproportionately high rates of mental health and substance use disorders compared to the general population (Fazel et al., 2008; National Coalition for the Homeless, 2009). Individuals who are homeless also have high rates of chronic and acute medical conditions (Maness & Khan, 2014; Hwang, 2001); studies have found that homeless populations have significantly more emergency room visits and have higher non-emergency room costs than non-homeless populations (Krupski et al., 2015; Kertesz et al., 2005). Further, research indicates that individuals experiencing homelessness with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders have higher utilization rates of emergency room services than other homeless populations (Lin et al., 2015).

The 2022 Coordinated Entry data for Albany County shows a significant service gap in outreach and engagement services for individuals experiencing chronic homelessness. These services can connect them to behavioral health, health, or housing. Each County uses a screening protocol to establish vulnerability so that individuals with the most severe service needs are prioritized for housing. However, homeless individuals living on the streets are excluded from this process unless they become engaged with a service provider who can complete their application form. Even among individuals using shelters, staffing constraints prevent the type of outreach necessary to complete the Coordinated Entry documentation. As a result of these barriers, the most vulnerable population experiencing homelessness is not identified for available units.

Pathways' strategy to identify people experiencing homelessness in Albany County includes data analysis drawn from HMIS. Data from our local CoCs (Continuum of Care groups) identify black and brown, Indigenous, and people of Color (BIPOC) as being overrepresented in the homeless response system. While BIPOC individuals represent 28% of our CoC general population, they account for over 66% of people in the homeless system.

Pathways' priority includes reducing health disparities among populations at disproportionate risk. Pathways will focus outreach efforts on serving the LGBTQ+ community, individuals who experience language as a barrier to treatment, and individuals in communities of color.

Pathway's goals and objectives are outlined below.

Outreach to identify and engage homeless individuals and families. Establish individuals' SSI/SSDI (SOAR when appropriate), Medicaid, food stamps, or other benefits Support individuals' housing placement and retention Support individuals' connection to and retention in mainstream medical, behavioral health, and substance abuse services Addressing the Social Determinants of Health Permanently Housed

Staff advocate for individuals when faced with discrimination or healthcare inequities. Member choice, harm reduction, non-coercion, flexibility, and person-centered care are elements of the Pathways program and a guiding priority when engaging consumers and building trust.

Please explain why this program or project is needed within the County.

Pathways is needed to serve individuals experiencing chronic homelessness in Albany County, as documented in the number of referrals our team receives from the Albany Police Department, local hospitals, businesses, community partners in Ravena & Selkirk., Focus Church Breakfast Club, Albany County Department of Social Services, Catholic Charities- Project Safe Point, Alliance for Better Health and Albany County Department of Mental Health and clients accessing our program through the Albany County Patient Services Coordinating Committee, which aims to decrease ER utilization.

In Albany County, during 2023, our Pathways Team reported the following challenges that we are working on to help people impacted get the help they need.

There has been an increased use of xylazine, and the side effects of using this substance has impacted our consumers. We have noticed consumers who are being referred to us, may not connect or follow up, and we need to increase and change our approach to connect with individuals. In one month, we had over 40 referrals, and we made connections with consumers for Project SAFE Point. We were only able to connect with 3 that followed up. We believe this is due to the side effects of using xylazine and being put into a state of extended unconsciousness and confusion. Our clients are also in need of immediate medical attention for the open wounds being caused by using this drug.

Finding mental health providers to accept new patients still continues to be a barrier for clients to get the timely treatment they need and for us to assist them in addressing their Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) A local dental clinic recently closed, and finding providers accepting Medicaid or free dental clinics has been a challenge.

The weather last year has caused some challenges, too. We have scheduled follow-up appointments to meet with someone in the park, and with the sudden onset of a storm and the smoke that has made the air quality low, our consumers have taken shelter indoors to be able to breathe and stay dry.

In the Spring of 2023, NYS resumed eligibility reviews and renewals in Medicaid. Many of our clients don't have access to consistent communications (phones, place to charge a phone) or have a permanent mailing address. When they were contacted at their last known address or called on their phone to be notified that they needed to renew, many did not receive that notification. They find out they are no longer covered when they are in the emergency room or another place needing treatment. Our team works with each client to help them become recertified.

The above are examples of the need that Albany County is facing in providing solutions to get individuals experiencing homelessness the resources to address the Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) and connect them to resources to begin the process of healing. Many of our consumers who face critical barriers to accessing health care and other vital services need to trust the person who is helping them. Pathways model is that approach, and when the trusting relationship begins, people open up and start the healing process.

All funded activities must meet the objective of responding to the public health and negative economic impact of the pandemic. Please describe how your proposal will help address this objective and assist with recovery (250 words or less).

From the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Catherine's has seen a dramatic increase in the need for hot meals, essential hygiene items, and cleaning products from the community. Our Homeless Services staff delivered 1,000 fresh, hot meals a week to those food insecure and distributed as many cleaning and hygiene items via our Care-A-Van as we could procure.

While COVID-19 remains a serious health concern, St. Catherine's is on the frontlines, ensuring those struggling the most in our communities are not left behind. We are assisting with the impact COVID has had on housing, inflation, and mental health. We continue to address those SDoH resulting from COVID.

Pathways' strategy is to identify populations in the geography that have not been served by the homeless system at the same rate they are experiencing homelessness, including data analysis drawn from HMIS. Data from our local CoCs identify Black and Brown, Indigenous, and people of Color (BIPOC) continue to be overrepresented in the homeless response system. While BIPOC represents 28% of our CoC general population, they account for over 66% of people in the homeless system.

Pathways' priority includes reducing health disparities among populations impacted the most by the pandemic and those at disproportionate risk. Pathways will focus outreach efforts on serving the LGBTQ+ community, individuals who experience language as a barrier to treatment, and individuals in communities of color.

If an award is made, describe how Albany County stakeholders will benefit. Where possible, please use measurable outcomes to quantify impact.

Pathways to Health and Housing aims to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and evidence-based services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Albany County. There will be no wrong door to access Pathways. In an effort to reach the most vulnerable members of the community, Pathways will be designed to specifically target and prioritize individuals who do not access shelter/services in the community, exiting jail or prison, inpatient hospital stays, high utilizers of emergency services, SUD treatment facilities, residing in motels or doubled up with family or friend and those who live in places not meant for human habitation. Through this approach, we aim to reach a population of individuals who historically have difficulty linking to and engaging with community-based services and resources and assist them in maintaining a connection to care. Target enrollment reflects CTI caseloads and the extensive resources necessary to engage and support the chronically homeless population. The specific goals and objectives of the program are outlined below.

1. Outreach to identify and engage homeless individuals and families—case managers will actively locate 125 homeless individuals annually and use motivational engagement techniques to build trust and rapport to support the enrollment of 95 individuals in program services.

2. Establish individuals' SSI/SSDI (SOAR when appropriate), Medicaid, food stamps, or other benefits—case managers will support individuals to submit applications when appropriate.

3. Support individuals' housing placement and retention — case managers facilitate access to the Coordinated Entry System and placement in permanent housing; case managers will provide housing support services to facilitate housing placement.

4. Support individuals' connection to, and retention in, mainstream medical, behavioral health, and substance abuse services—case managers will connect individuals to health home providers and provide supportive services to support retention in health and behavioral health services.

5. Addressing the Social Determinants of Health—case managers will assist individuals by removing barriers to housing and health care.

6. Permanently Housed- 20 homeless individuals, families, and youth are permanently housed through a myriad of pathways, including rapid rehousing, coordinated entry, Medicaid redesign, and mental health housing opportunities, as well as through the assistance of emergency grant solutions.

Please describe your organization's ability to implement the project you propose including organizational structure, staff members involved, a summary of similar initiatives you have undertaken and the date they were completed:

St. Catherine's has extensive experience managing government-funded programs. We oversee programs funded by all levels of government- county, state, and federal. We currently operate programs funded and overseen by five State offices- the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH), Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), Department of Health (DOH), State Education Department (SED), and the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA).

St. Catherine's capacity to effectively manage government-funded programs is supported by strong organizational cohesion within our administrative departments and organizational interdependency within our various program service lines. Heads of our administrative departments, including Human Resources, Billing and Finance, IT, Quality Assurance, and Communications, meet with program leaders and executive management monthly to review agency and program-level initiatives. These monthly "strategy and planning" meetings promote communication and collaboration across all departments. To strengthen our capacity to manage government-funded programs further, the agency recently hired an Associate Executive Director of Development who will focus on overseeing all government and private grants and funding opportunities. One role of this new position will be to track grant deliverables and assist programs in meeting all fiscal and programmatic reporting requirements.

St. Catherine's Professional affiliations, associations, memberships, & community partnerships includes: Accredited member, Council on Accreditation (COA) for Children and Family Services; Homeless and Travelers Aid Society; Better Health of Northeast New York; Capital District Physicians' Health Plan; Alliance for Better Health; Belvedere Health Services; Samaritan Hospital; Equinox, Inc.; Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany; Unity House of Troy; Capital Region Chamber; Rensselaer County Chamber; Ulster County Chamber.

St. Catherine's works with the Council on Accreditation (COA) to develop, maintain, and monitor our internal processes to ensure that all stakeholders have credible and effective standards as we deliver our services to our community. The process involves a full re-accreditation every five years, including on-site visits and testing and annual updates and assurances. The accreditation process provides St. Catherine's with the framework to ensure program fidelity, strive for excellence and best practices, and gather input from professionals to encourage organizational growth and sustainability.

St. Catherine's has provided services to homeless individuals for over three decades, including intensive case management, outreach, and housing services. The staffing includes Louisa Marra, Associate Executive Director for Homeless and Housing Services. Louisa has over 40 years of experience overseeing programs that serve the homeless and at-risk children and families. Also included in the Pathways team is Marquita Pompey, Director of Housing. Marquita has 3 years of experience with Michaels House, St. Catherine's on-site Permanent Supportive Housing program, and has recently been elevated into her role as Director. Pathways will also have at least 1.5 FTE Case Managers to provide direct street outreach and carry a caseload. Currently, the Albany County case manager is Nicole Vaccarino. She has 7 years of experience working with homeless individuals and families to find permanent homes and housing security.

St. Catherine's readiness to implement the Pathways program is demonstrated by our current service provision for those who are homeless and working toward housing stability. St. Catherine's currently operates a 24-unit homeless family shelter, scattered site permanent supportive housing, on-site permanent supportive housing, street outreach, and a Medicaid redesign housing program in Albany County as well as several other housing programs in Columbia County. St. Catherine's also has a long-standing history of starting up programming within NYS. This is a testament to our current community connections and collaborations within the communities we serve.

How will you track performance goals and define success? Include at least two key performance indicators and expected annual outcomes/impact?

St Catherine's will track Outreach and Engagement activities through our Foothold Technology Software. Foothold Technology is a premier, nationwide human services Electronic Health Record (EHR) software company. Foothold's software, AWARDS, supports agencies providing various services, including mental health, alcohol and substance use, intellectual and developmental disabilities, homelessness and housing, employment and training, seniors, veterans, and more. St. Catherine's Quality Assurance team conducts meetings to ensure quality data is being collected and entered into AWARDS to support the fidelity of the models.

The performance evaluation and fidelity of MI, CTI, and addressing the SDoH will be measured through consistent and timely documentation through the AWARDS system in case notes. Data will be compared to the goals established and reported by AWARDS. Individual stages of change will be documented through changes/updates in their individualized treatment plans.

Three Key Performance Indicators include:

1.) Addressing a consumer's SDoH (social determinant of health needs).

Our expected annual outcome is for the clients with identified SDoH needs; through the intervention and assistance of Pathways, clients'

SDoH needs will be reduced from 3-5 needs to 1.5 upon discharge.

2.) Outreach to identify and engage homeless individuals and families.

Our expected annual outcome is that case managers will actively locate 125 homeless individuals and use motivational engagement

techniques to build trust and rapport to support the enrollment of 95 individuals in program services.

3.) Establish permanent housing.

Our expected annual outcome is that 20 homeless individuals, families, and youth are permanently housed through a myriad of

pathways, including rapid rehousing, coordinated entry, Medicaid redesign, and mental health housing opportunities, as well as through

the assistance of emergency grant solutions.

Performance will be monitored via the case manager's individual and county-based rosters. Rosters will assist in keeping track of individuals as they move from one phase to the next. Meetings will be used to review individuals'

current goals and progress through their current phase. Additionally, the CTI fidelity worksheet will be implemented to ensure that individuals' needs are met and that documents are uploaded to support individuals' connection to resources and support systems throughout care. The Program Supervisor will conduct weekly meetings to review individuals' current phase and progress in goal attainment.

Project start date:

07/01/2024

Project End date:

06/30/2025

Please provide key project milestones inclusive of the anticipated timelines and descriptions

Milestone	Anticipated Timeline	Task Description
Outreach to identify and engage homeless individuals and families	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	Case managers will actively locate 125 homeless individuals annually and use motivational engagement techniques to build trust and rapport to support the enrollment of 95 individuals in program services.
Establish individuals' SSI/SSDI (SOAR when appropriate)	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	Medicaid, food stamps, or other benefits—case managers will support individuals to submit applications when appropriate.
Support individuals' housing placement and retention	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	Case managers facilitate access to the Coordinated Entry System and placement in permanent housing; case managers will provide housing support services to facilitate housing placement.
Support individuals' connection to, and retention in, mainstream medical, behavioral health, and substance abuse services	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	Case managers will connect individuals to health home providers and provide supportive services to support retention in health and behavioral health services.
Addressing the Social Determinants of Health	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	Case managers will assist individuals by removing barriers to housing and health care.
Permanently Housed	Ongoing, varies with the CTI Model and consumer- 07/01/2024- 06/30/2025	20 homeless individuals, families, and youth are permanently housed through a myriad of pathways, including rapid rehousing, coordinated entry, Medicaid redesign, and mental health housing opportunities, as well as through the assistance of emergency grant solutions.

At the top of this page is a downloadable project budget. Please download the budget form and upload it here.

• 2024-ARPA-Albany-County-Budget-01-04-2024.pdf

If you are funding a multi-year initiative, please provide a breakdown of funding level per year below:

2024	2025	2026
75,000	75,000	

Use this space to provide a narrative supporting and clarify anything from the proposed project budget above. In addition, if "Other Funds" or "Other Uses" are included above, please specify the source(s) below.

Funding will be used for the following:

Funds will cover the salaries of the Pathways staff, with the majority covering Case Managers, program assistant supervision, and clinical components.

Other expenses include personal mileage and use of our Care-A-Van, onboarding/training, program training including restorative practice training, office supplies, telecoms, wrap-around supplies (i.e., food, formula, diapers, and other essentials), and property rentals.

Our outreach Care-A-Van is equipped with telemedicine capabilities. Our Pathways to Health staff have continued our partnerships with local healthcare providers and Whitney Young Health Center to refer clients to their telehealth services, which can be utilized whenever a client is in need.

Explain why ARPA funds are needed to complete the proposed program/project. Would the proposal be possible without ARPA assistance? Describe how your proposal would be impacted if you are awarded a smaller grant than requested?

ARPA Funds are needed for Pathways to continue to address those who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. St. Catherine's receives referrals on a daily basis to assist our most vulnerable population. As we continue to secure sustainable funding, the ARPA Funds will support our current programming and community needs.

Pathways has secured funding through June of 2024 to operate within the Capital Region. If we do not receive additional funding, we cannot continue to operate Pathways at the level we did when we had Mother Cabrini Funding. A smaller award would be welcomed, and we would need to reduce the caseload for each case manager.

ARPA funds must be expended by December 31, 2026. Please describe how your project will be sustained if it will continue beyond this date.

Each year, St. Catherine's Center for Children (SCCC) develops an operational budget and ties that with developing departmental initiatives. The strategic initiatives include goals that are monitored within each program area. SCCC has a Strategies and Leadership Team that meets 10-11 times a year as part of the process. Around 5-6 of those meetings include reporting on the progress of strategic initiatives and program presentations from the Leadership Group. The Board of Directors receives summary reports at each Board meeting. In 2023, the Foundation and Agency Boards met and worked with the Management Team to review the current initiatives in each program area.

Over the last five years, we have incorporated sustainability into the budget process to continue programming beyond the funding source period. Our sustainability planning for our homeless programming, including Pathways, is a multi-pronged approach. St. Catherine's continues to explore Value-Based Payment (VBP) opportunities, Managed Care, and state and federal funding to secure long-term sustainability and growth. We are currently working within our programs to demonstrate a return on investment for potential partners for St. Catherine's programs and services.

In the last three months, St. Catherine's entered into an MOU with a provider to train our staff to become certified Community Health Workers. In New York, we are anticipating that the amendment to the 1115 Medicaid waiver will allow Community Health Workers to provide street outreach to people experiencing homelessness and be able to bill Medicaid for that service.

In addition to the above, St. Catherine's has a dedicated Funding Development team working to explore and secure state, federal, and foundation grants to support our services and many other interdependent social programs. Our team also works with close friends and supporters to raise money through various events, appeals, and third-party fundraisers. In 2022, St. Catherine's formalized its Foundation to increase opportunities and methods for investors to contribute to St. Catherine's. This includes increasing support for an endowment.

List any project partners/subrecipients:

As of today, we have identified the following funding sources and partners.

Centene Charitable Foundation- Applied for funding to support the Capital Region and Mid Hudson region. A portion

can support Pathways in Albany County if funded.

Key Bank- Applied for funding to support the Capital Region. A portion can support Pathways in Albany County if funded.

Pathways is well known in the Albany community, and below is a list of some of our partners:

Albany Police Department, local hospitals, businesses, community partners in Ravena & Selkirk., Focus Church Breakfast Club, Albany County Department of Social Services, Catholic Charities- Project Safe Point, Alliance for Better Health, and Albany County Department of Mental Health and Albany County Patient Services Coordinating Committee.

Please list any matching funds:

Currently, we have not secured any matching funds beyond 07/01/2024.

Tax Information or Additional Information

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2019

• 2018-2018-Form-990-SCCC-Agency-6.30.2019.pdf

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2020

<u>2019-Form-990-SCCC-Agency-FYE-6.30.2020.pdf</u>

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2021

• 2020-Form-990-SCCC-Agency-FYE-6.30.2021.pdf

Please upload Federal tax returns for tax year 2022

<u>2021-Form-990-SCCC-Agency-FYE-6.30.2022.pdf</u>

Please upload IRS Form W-9

• <u>W-9-.pdf</u>

(OPTIONAL) please feel free to upload anything which you feel would strengthen your application.

• Pathways-Empire-Whole-Health-Hero-Infographics.pdf

Risk Assessment:

Has the organization adopted and/or implemented policies relating to: records retention, conflict of interest, code of ethics, and/or nondiscrimination policies

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

St. Catherine's has adopted and implemented policies related to record retention, conflict of interest, code of ethics/whistle blower and nondiscrimination policies. The policies are located in the employee handbook, board and fiscal procedures/ policies.

Is the organization properly insured?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify the types of insurance held and the limits:

St. Catherine's is insured for Worker's Compensation, Disability, General liability, Property, and Auto under the Roman Catholic Diocese Self Insurance program with the Catholic Mutual Group.

Does the organization have a financial management system?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

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Has there been any change in your organization's key staffing positions in the last 2 years?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

In December of 2022, our CFO retired, and Kelly Crast was appointed the new CFO. Kelly has been with St. Catherine's since 2013. In November 2023, our Executive Director retired after over 35 years of service to St. Catherine's. Our search committee is finalizing the interviews and anticipates announcing the selected candidate in mid-January 2024.

Has the organization previously done work for the Federal government (i.e. Is the entity experienced in managing Federal funds)?

Yes

If you selected "Yes" above, please specify:

St. Catherine's has successfully administered two programs funded by the U.S. DHHS – Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). From 2009-20013, St. Catherine's ran Project ARCH, a 1.75 million dollar grant that provided case management, substance use, and trauma services to homeless heads of households with dependent children. From 2016 to 2019, St. Catherine's ran Project Connect. This 1.6 million dollar grant provided outreach and case management services to adult men and women with mental health and substance use disorders experiencing chronic homelessness in Albany County. In 2023, Pathways partnered with the New York State Department of Health and Health Research Inc. to complete the Small Wellness Bid Initiative. Our focus was on rural communities and individuals experiencing homelessness. The grant allowed our staff to increase our knowledge of COVID-19 mitigation strategies and resources to inform the public on preparedness for future public health emergencies. St. Catherine's has been over the \$750,000 funding limit and has had single annual audits.

Certifications

Acknowledgment 1

I Have Read and Understand the U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (see below link)

U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Guidance for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf

Acknowledgment 2

Should the County Allocate ARPA Funds, I am Able to and Pledge to Adhere to ALL Compliance and Reporting Requirements of the U.S. Treasury as it relates to any State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Acknowledgment 3

I Understand the County Will Contact me if/when Additional Information is Needed and that Information will be Promptly Provided to the County to Support Reporting Requirements

Acknowledgment 4

If for Any Reason I am Unable to Comply with the U.S. Treasury's Compliance and Reporting Requirements I will Immediately Notify the County in writing by email or letter

Acknowledgment 5

All Information Submitted in this Application is True & Accurate

Electronic Signature Agreement

I agree

By checking the "I agree" box, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

Type name			
Kelly Crast			