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## Care For the Homeless Expands Health Services to Homeless New Yorkers with New State and Federal Grants

The non-profit will grow its ambulatory care network focused on reducing health care disparities for homeless and unstably housed New Yorkers.

**New York, N.Y.** – Care For the Homeless (CFH) has been awarded a generous grant from the New York State Department of Health – Health Care Facilities Transformation Program III and two from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). All three grants amount to more than \$20 million and will enable the non-profit to expand health care and housing services for New Yorkers experiencing homelessness.

Specifically, the New York State Facilities Transformation Grant III will allow CFH to construct four new community-based health centers over a period of five years.

In previous years, CFH has used funds from this source to renovate existing health center sites, expand and improve service capacity, and construct new community-based health centers. These include Care Found Here – Junius Street and the community health center at The Morris Avenue Safe Haven.

The non-profit also has two more facilities in development.

CFH will use the HUD grants to develop a comprehensive coordinated care program for people living on the streets and in the subways as well as facilitate housing placements through a rapid re-housing program.

These two projects will be deployed from three existing CFH facilities that serve unsheltered New Yorkers in the Bronx, Manhattan, and Queens.

"These grants are game changers for the people we serve," says CFH President and CEO, George Nashak. "The programs created with these funds will increase access to low barrier, high-quality health care for homeless and unstably housed New Yorkers and will add to CFH's programming to reduce the incidence of unsheltered homelessness in the city. We are deeply grateful to the NYS Department of Health and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for

recognizing the need to reduce disparities in health care access experienced by the clients we serve."

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## **About Care For the Homeless:**

Care For the Homeless (CFH) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit and is committed to providing individuals experiencing homelessness with high quality medical and behavioral health care services. In addition, CFH actively advocates for policies to prevent and end homelessness. CFH currently operates Susan's Place and the 52nd Street Women's Center, transitional shelters for women with behavioral health needs, as well as a safe haven in the Bronx, serving people who are unsheltered. CFH also operates twenty-five health centers across all five New York City boroughs. For more information, visit <u>www.careforthehomeless.org</u>.