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Care For the Homeless Adds Seasoned Professional to New Leadership Role

New York non-profit adds vital leadership role in continued effort to expand and enhance high-quality services for homeless New Yorkers.

New York, N.Y. – Care For the Homeless (CFH) is pleased to announce the hiring of Jonathan Santos-Ramos as its Chief Program Officer (CPO), a new role created to strengthen the organization as it continues its strategic growth and expansion.

Mr. Santos-Ramos brings decades of experience working with and delivering services to folks who are unstably housed or living on the streets. Most recently, he served as Interim Executive Director at Callen-Lorde Community Health Center, a global leader in LGBTQ health care.

Prior to his time as Interim Executive Director, he served in several other senior roles, including Senior Director, Organizational Planning & Sustainability and Director of Community Engagement & Strategic Initiatives. His resume also includes management positions at Community Healthcare Network and the New York City Department of Health.

As CPO, he will be responsible for managing the strategic expansion and day-to-day operations of CFH’s health care and residential services in total. Mr. Santos-Ramos’ goals are to create and grow program initiatives that facilitate the organization’s strategy to ensuring that people experiencing homelessness in New York City have access to low-barrier, high quality health care, residential, and social services.

This addition to the executive team comes on the heels of the organization earning three new grants, totaling more than \$20 million. One was awarded by the New York State Department of Health – Health Care Facilities Transformation Program III and two others by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds from these grants will be used to create new health center sites and develop more comprehensive care programs for New Yorkers without stable housing.

“I am so excited to be bringing my passion and energy to the amazing people at CFH and to the organization’s mission,” states Mr. Santos-Ramos. “Which is so very aligned with the City’s need right now. I have had a relationship with CFH for more than ten years, serving on the

Governing Board of the National Health Care for the Homeless Council. As an individual that found myself without a stable home as a teen, this work is deeply meaningful to me in ways that are often difficult to express.”

“This is a time of significant growth for CFH and adding Jonathan is an essential step in ensuring that we can take these expansions to their full potential,” says CFH President and CEO, George Nashak. “We could not have asked for a better person to fill the CPO role. Jonathan’s decades of experience and his passionate commitment to serving communities on the margins make him an exciting addition to the CFH family. We cannot wait to share the stories of his successes.”

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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 www.careforthehomeless.org.