

**NEW YORK STATE SENATOR** 

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## Senator Helming Announces Funding for Local Housing Agencies

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Senator Pam Helming is pleased to announce that three agencies in the Wayne-Finger Lakes region have received a total of five conditional awards that will provide funding for supportive housing for the homeless and those with special needs. These awards allow local agencies an opportunity to apply for state funding for their projects as part of New York State's plan to develop 6,000 units of supportive housing.

The Clifton Springs-based Finger Lakes Area Counseling and Recovery Agency (FLACRA) received a total of three awards, two for its operations in Ontario County and one for its operations in Wayne County. The Finger Lakes United Cerebral Palsy Inc. Happiness House, with centers in Geneva, Canandaigua, and Waterloo, and the Newark-based NYSARC Wayne County Chapter also received awards.

"FLACRA, Happiness House, and Wayne ARC all do an outstanding job helping their clients lead safe, healthy, fulfilling lives in our community. This opportunity to apply for state funding will allow them to take their programs to the next level by offering additional support services and supportive housing for the people they serve. These

three agencies are to be commended for presenting terrific projects in their applications. I wish them much success in securing this money to expand their operations and serve more people in our community," Senator Helming said.

The conditional awards allow these agencies to secure funding to finance the development and construction of new supportive housing projects. The agencies may use the awards to provide rental assistance as well as services such as employment and vocational training. Specific target populations include veterans, victims of domestic violence, frail or disabled senior citizens, and the homeless.

Senator Helming represents the 54<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which consists of Seneca and Wayne Counties, parts of Cayuga and Ontario Counties, and the towns of Lansing and Webster. For more information, please visit Senator Helming's website, or follow @SenatorHelming on Facebook or Twitter.

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