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*State Grant Will Help Fund Renovations to Courtyard at Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo*

**BUFFALO** – Today, October 8, 2022, New York State Senator Sean Ryan visited Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo to announce a \$100,000 state grant to fund the renovation of the CCI's courtyard.

Senator Ryan presented a check for \$100,000 as part of a celebration of the CCI's one-year anniversary and Italian Heritage Month. One year after opening in the renovated former North Park Branch Library at the intersection of Delaware Avenue and Hertel Avenue, the CCI has grown to include more than 1,000 members and received "Best Cultural Programming 2022" recognition from Buffalo Spree Magazine.

**Senator Sean Ryan** said, "The CCI has accomplished a great deal in a short time. From the adaptive reuse of the former North Park Library to the robust schedule of programs and events – the CCI has become a vibrant asset to our community. I have been happy to support this project and to provide the capital to make it possible."

***About Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo:***

*Awarded Best Cultural Programming in WNY by Buffalo Spree Magazine 2022, the Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded by Dr. Francesco Giacobbe and his late wife, Renata Giacobbe in 2010. For over ten years, the CCI has been sharing and promoting education, history, and inspiring current and future generations within the Buffalo community. CCI Buffalo's mission is to preserve and promote Italian culture, heritage and language through educational opportunities and community engagement in the Western New York region. For more information visit, [ccibuffalo.org](http://ccibuffalo.org).*

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