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WARTBURG RECEIVES WESTCHESTER COUNTY F.I.R.S.T. GRANT

Mount Vernon, NY – Wartburg, a Senior Living and Healthcare organization in Mount Vernon announced that they have been awarded a \$45,000 grant through the Westchester County FIRST: Financial Investments for Recovery and a Sustainable Tomorrow Program. This new program is designed to offer immediate financial relief to organizations in Westchester County that have been negatively impacted by the pandemic.

The Westchester County Business FIRST Program is being administered by the County Office of Economic Development through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The Program is open to businesses and nonprofits that employ 99 or fewer people and whose primary business location is in Westchester County. Eligible business and nonprofits can apply for grants of up to \$45,000.

This year's grant program provides up to \$17 million to support nonprofits and religious organizations facing challenges as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. Westchester County Executive George Latimer said: "Our nonprofits and religious organizations have been a vital resource to the communities they support throughout the duration of the pandemic. This round of grant funding is an investment in organizations that are critical to our residents and in need of financial relief." Many nonprofits have faced an increased demand for services, significant costs for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), loss of funding and other pandemic-related challenges that have impacted their operating costs and income. This grant funding will help to cover some of their expenses as they continue providing invaluable services throughout our communities. The Westchester County Business FIRST grant program is being administered by the Westchester County Office of Economic Development through the American Rescue Plan.

"These are difficult times, and we are grateful that the Office of Economic Development supports County nonprofits," said Dr. David Gentner, President & CEO of Wartburg. "Wartburg is a large economic driver in lower Westchester and this funding will help in the protracted pandemic recovery and repositioning."

About Westchester County Business FIRST

Westchester County Business FIRST: Financial Investments for Recovery and a Sustainable Tomorrow is a new grant program designed to offer immediate financial relief to small and mid-size businesses and nonprofits in Westchester County that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This is the second grant program being provided by Westchester County as part of an ongoing effort to support businesses and nonprofits during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Westchester County Business FIRST Grant



In March, the Westchester County Office of Economic Development began accepting applications for the 2022 Westchester County Business FIRST grant program. Westchester County Business FIRST: *Financial Investments for Recovery and a Sustainable Tomorrow* provides immediate financial relief to organizations in Westchester County that have been negatively impacted by the pandemic. This round of funding provides qualifying nonprofits and religious organizations with grants of up to \$45,000. Grants are provided on a reimbursable basis only and recipients must provide receipts to Community Capital before any funds will be disbursed.

About Wartburg

Wartburg, located in Westchester County, NY, offers integrated, comprehensive senior residential and healthcare services. Unlike conventional retirement communities, Wartburg provides a wide range of services to both residents living on their beautiful 34-acre campus and people in their own homes. From independent, assisted living and award-winning nursing home care to inpatient/outpatient rehabilitation, home care and adult day care services, their continuing care approach has earned them a trusted reputation. Wartburg also provides caregiver support at every stage with an array of options to find the level of care that considers the whole family. Wartburg was named one of the “Best Nursing Homes in New York State” by *U.S. News & World Report* for the tenth consecutive year in 2021.

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