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NYS, NYC, Community Access and Partners Break Ground on \$52.2 Million Affordable and Supportive Housing Development in the Bronx

(New York, NY, 2/21/17) – New York State Homes and Community Renewal, New York State Office of Mental Health, New York City’s Department of Housing Preservation and Development, and Community Access will host a groundbreaking ceremony on **Wednesday, February 22 at 10:00 a.m.** for a new \$52.2 million affordable and supportive housing complex being built at 111 East 172nd Street in the Mount Eden neighborhood of the Bronx.

Community Access and its partners are investing in the Bronx community and its residents by addressing priority housing needs for low-income New Yorkers, formerly homeless and other vulnerable populations. The 126-unit building incorporates active design and health amenities, including a community kitchen, outdoor exercise equipment, and an urban garden space to improve health outcomes of tenants. Sixty units will be set aside for Medicaid high-need individuals with mental health concerns, and the remaining 65 units will be for low-income families.

WHO: Community Access
New York State Homes and Community Renewal
New York State Office of Mental Health
NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development
Citi Community Capital
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CSH

WHAT: Groundbreaking Ceremony

WHERE: 111 East 172nd Street, Bronx, NY

WHEN: 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2017

About New York State Homes and Community Renewal:

NYS Homes and Community Renewal's (HCR) housing and community development agencies work to create, preserve and improve affordable homes and vibrant communities, in keeping with Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's vision of a more inclusive, affordable, sustainable, and resilient New York. In 2016, HCR set a record for the third year in a row, financing the creation or preservation of more than 17,000 affordable homes and apartments, creating nearly 2,000 homeownership opportunities for first-time homebuyers, and was once again the #1 affordable housing bond issuer in the nation with \$2.8 billion issued. HCR stands ready to make good on the Governor's \$10 billion 100,000 affordable units House NY 2020 commitment.

For more information on HCR agencies, programs and initiatives, please visit:

<http://www.nyshcr.org>.

About the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD):

The New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) is the nation's largest municipal housing preservation and development agency. Its mission is to promote quality housing and diverse, thriving neighborhoods for New Yorkers through loan and development programs for new affordable housing, preservation of the affordability of the existing housing stock, enforcement of housing quality standards, and educational programs for tenants and building owners. HPD is tasked with fulfilling Mayor de Blasio's Housing New York: A Five-Borough Ten-Year Plan to create and preserve 200,000 affordable units for New Yorkers at the very lowest incomes to those in the middle class.

For more information visit www.nyc.gov/hpd and for regular updates on HPD news and services, connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @NYCHousing.

About Community Access:

Community Access' mission is to expand opportunities for people living with mental health concerns to recover from trauma and discrimination through affordable housing, training, advocacy, and healing-focused services. We are built upon the simple truth that people are experts in their own lives. For more information, visit www.communityaccess.org.

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