

ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE**HON. LAWRENCE DUPRE****1ST DISTRICT LEGISLATOR**

1367 Fillmore Ave.
Buffalo, NY 14211

Erie County Department of Mental Health
Attn: Sarah Bonk, Commissioner
95 Franklin Street, Room 1237
Buffalo, NY 14202

Peaceprints of WNY
Attn: Cindi McEachon, CEO
1001 E. Delavan Avenue, #22
Buffalo, NY 14215

WNY Veterans Housing Coalition
Attn: Gigi Grizanti Cooke, President and CEO
57 Howard Street
Buffalo, NY 14206

Buffalo City Mission
100 E. Tupper Street
Buffalo, NY 14203

Council Member Mitch Nowakowski
65 Niagara Square, Room 1401
Buffalo, NY 14202

BestSelf Behavioral Health
Attn: Elizabeth Woike, LCSW-R
254 Franklin Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Veterans One-Stop Center
Attn: Holly Rutkowski
1255 Niagara Street, Suite 230
Buffalo, NY 14213

Department of Social Services
Attn: Karen Rybicki, Commissioner
95 Franklin Street, 8th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Compass House
1451 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14209

Homeless Alliance of WNY
625 Delaware Avenue, Suite 410
Buffalo, NY 14202

March 24, 2025

As Chair of the Erie County Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, I am eager to invite you to an upcoming committee meeting to discuss the ongoing mental health and homelessness crisis Erie County is currently facing.

I have partnered with City of Buffalo's Fillmore District Council Member Mitch Nowakowski who shares similar concerns in the increased need of mental health services, housing, and homelessness prevention.

The meeting will take place on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the Erie County Legislature Chambers, located at 92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor, Buffalo, NY 14202.

We look forward to having your input along with conversations on how to best serve some of our most vulnerable community members.

Best Regards,

Lawrence Dupre
Erie County Legislator – District 1
Chair, Health and Human Services Committee