

AGENCY LETTERHEAD

July 22, 2019

Sharen I. Duke, Executive Director/CEO  
Alliance for Positive Change  
64 West 35th Street, 4th floor  
New York, NY 10001

*Re: Alliance LES Harm Reduction Center (LESHRC) Renovation,  
Empire State Development Grant Funds, 2019 Consolidated Funding Application*

Dear Ms. Duke:

[Organization name] is pleased to provide this letter of support for the Alliance for Positive Change (AIDS Service Center of Lower Manhattan, Inc.) application to the New York State Empire State Development (ESD) via the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process. The requested funding would provide initial outfitting support following the renovation and program expansion of the Alliance LES Harm Reduction Center's (LESHRC) new home at 35 East Broadway in lower Manhattan.

As you know, [Organization name] offers [brief description of services].

Alliance LES Harm Reduction Center's newly renovated and outfitted program center on 35 East Broadway will expand access to vital harm reduction programming through co-location of mental health and substance use full spectrum services to support active and recovering substance users at any stage of recovery and/or treatment. By providing a welcoming environment for engagement and retention in medical and behavioral health care, Alliance LESHRC will be able to expand syringe exchange, harm reduction education, overdose prevention, recovery support, Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), and care coordination--services that are urgently needed in the Lower East Side and adjacent neighborhoods.

Alliance LES Harm Reduction Center is an anchor in the lower Manhattan community, helping some of our city's most underserved, under-resourced, and hardest-to-reach residents make lasting, positive changes towards health, housing, recovery and self-sufficiency, as they navigate life with substance use, mental health, HIV, hepatitis C and other chronic conditions.

[Organization name] is confident in Alliance's capacity to quickly and successfully implement this renovation and program expansion, and we look forward to continuing our collaborative work helping to improve the lives of New Yorkers in need.

Sincerely,

Name/Title