

# Community Services FOR EVERY1

## **Apartments at the Lyceum**



Community Services for Every1 partners with individuals of all abilities to reach their fullest potential, protecting their rights and promoting their independence and inclusion in our community. While we primarily serve those living with an intellectual or developmental disability, our services are also available to individuals who may have life circumstances requiring a little extra support.

We offer a variety of housing options, employment services, care management, and more – all designed to fulfill the individual's needs and goals. As a top-20 nonprofit in Western New York with more than 33 years of experience, our agency is driven by a passion for "Helping many. Discovering one."

#### **Our Plan**

Community Services for Every1 is the owner, developer, property manager, and support service agency for Apartments at the Lyceum. Community Services has a successful and long-standing commitment to providing affordable housing to those in need, and currently own and operate several multifamily housing projects in the City of Buffalo and its surrounding areas. To ensure the successful



development of our project, we partnered with experienced consulting developer, Edgemere Development, Rochester based Hamilton Stern Construction, LLC and the Buffalo based Architectural and Engineering firm Carmina Wood Design (CWM).

The facility will have 42 units of high-quality, affordable and accessible housing.



one-bedroom units



studio unit



two-bedroom units



set aside apartments that will serve as permanent supportive housing for survivors of domestic violence



units will be move-in ready for individuals with mobility impairments



units will be designed to accommodate individuals with hearing/visual impairments

Outside of establishing affordable/supportive housing options, the building will also have commercial space designated as "The Lyceum Community Empowerment Center". The center will act as a new hub for the agency to deliver its person-centered supports to East Buffalo residents with community programming space, created through renovations to the existing kitchen, cafeteria and activity room.

### Why It Matters

- The project responded to Buffalo and Erie County's dire need for affordable housing.
- Offers permanent housing for survivors of domestic violence where flexible supportive services will be offered.



- The building is within targeted areas for revitalization by the city, county and state.
- For three decades, this historic building has been severely underutilized. Its redevelopment offers new opportunities for community inclusion and beautification.



"This neighborhood has long been subjected to neglect in new development in housing, that is sustainable, lead free, and accessible economically and socially to the most vulnerable populations in the adjacent neighborhoods."

- Councilman Mitch Nowakowski

### How It Impacts You



- The development cost was just over \$23 million, a large investment in the Broadway-Fillmore Community.
- Community Services expects to use this space to offer skill building, vocational training and recreational programming to school age children, transition age youth and young adults of all abilities.



- As part of our revitalization plans, beautification of the surrounding area will include adding gardens, a walking path and playground.
- The development has brought employment opportunities to the neighborhood and utilized local businesses in construction.
- Promotes Minority & Women Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE).



- Construction began in October 2022 and will extend to December 2023. The goal is to have the Lyceum fully occupied by April 2024.
- Applications are now being accepted. Go to www.csevery1.com to download the application. They are due by September 22, 2023.

The \$23 MM total project cost was financed utilizing the following resources: \$14.7 million is private equity from the sale of NYS HCR 9% LIHTC, and Federal and State Historic Tax Credits; NYS HCR Housing Trust Fund and Community Investment Fund subsidies; City of Buffalo HOME funds; OTDA HHAP funds; ESD Better Buffalo – Transit Oriented Development Program Funds; a Community Services for Every1 sponsor loan; and NYS HCR Clean Energy Incentives. Community Services for Every1 also received a New York State Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI) award to support the 12 supportive housing units.

#### For More Information

If you would like to know more about Apartments at the Lyceum, please call 716-883-8888 or email info@csevery1.com.

