

Ritchie: \$100 Million Available to Help Nonprofits With Construction Projects, Technology Upgrades and Energy Efficiency Improvements

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State Senator Patty Ritchie is encouraging local nonprofits to apply for a share of \$100 million in funding through a state program that aims to help organizations improve the quality, efficiency and accessibility of services offered to individuals and families.

Funding announced today is available through the Nonprofit Infrastructure Capital

Investment Program and will allow nonprofits to move forward with building upgrades and

other construction projects, become more energy efficient and update technology.

"Countless people across Central and Northern New York rely on our local nonprofits for vital services that enhance their quality of life," said Senator Ritchie.

"I was proud to advocate for funding in recent state budgets to support these organizations and the work they do to improve our communities. I am hopeful they will take advantage of this opportunity to access the support needed to make major upgrades that will help improve the services they provide."

Included in the 2015-16 state budget was \$50 million in funding for the program. In response to an overwhelming interest from nonprofits, the Senate Majority advocated for an additional \$50 million for the initiative in the most recent state budget, bringing total funding available to \$100 million.

Nonprofit organizations looking to apply for funds can do so through the NYS Grants Gateway. Applications are due on September 29, 2016 and award announcements are expected on November 1st.