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## Senator Carlucci Presents the Rockland County Pride Center With \$200,000 in State Funding Ahead of Pride Sunday

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NYACK, NY – Senator David Carlucci (D-Rockland/Westchester) presented the Rockland County Pride Center with a check for \$200,000 in state funding on Friday.

“What better way to kick off Pride Weekend and celebrate the LGBTQ community than with presenting the Pride Center with this critical funding. We have come a long way, but statistics continue to show LGBTQ youth are twice as likely to encounter bullying,

harassment and assault. This is why it is important to fight discrimination wherever it exists and support the Rockland County Pride Center's work," **said Senator David Carlucci.**

The Rockland County Pride Center in Nyack is currently under construction, and the organization's Executive Director said the capital would go a long way.

"I want to thank Sen. Carlucci for this funding. We could not be more thrilled, and we really appreciate it. The support of our elected officials is important when we are working to change the culture of Rockland County, and all the places we live, **said Rockland County Pride Center, Executive Director, Brooke Malloy.** This money is going to allow us to continue the incredible construction we already started, with the new roof and new windows. This will also enable us to get our storefront and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system installed."

"This is an amazing day in our community. This grant will allow the Pride Center here in Nyack to show they are Rockland's home for equality and justice for all with no exceptions. We really want to thank Sen. Carlucci for this grant that will really help continue the construction on the building and make us even more proud of what we stand for here in Nyack," **said Nyack Mayor Don Hammond.**

The Rockland County Pride Center's continued mission is to support and celebrate the LGBTQ community and challenge stereotypes and practices that adversely impact Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer people.

The Rockland County Pride Center is a 501(c) (3) and funding is vitally important to continue providing a wide range of services that ensure equitable resources and opportunities for all.