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NEWS RELEASE

Action for Mental Health Co-Locates Programs with YWCA of WNY

Move will benefit agencies' clients, community at large

BUFFALO, NY – Action for Mental Health (AMH), an agency that seeks to empower mental health consumers and improve the quality and delivery of mental health services in Erie County, has moved offices and services to co-locate with YWCA of WNY, located at 1005 Grant Street.

The co-location will benefit both agencies through cost savings and enhanced programming. “Moving Action for Mental Health to the YWCA of WNY has both a fiscal and functional benefit” said Bart Blum, executive director of AMH. Deborah Lynn Williams, executive director of the YWCA, added, “Having AMH added to our location allows us to continue our efforts at making this building a community anchor as opposed to just a residence.”

The Fund for Alliances, supported by United Way of Buffalo & Erie County (UWBEC) donations and distributed through its Not For Profit Resource Center, provided \$2,585 in funding for the co-location.

“In response to the harsh economic climate and dwindling resources, not for profit agencies are seeking new ways to better meet the rising needs in our community while decreasing expenses,” explains Michael Weiner, president of UWBEC. “United Way is taking the initiative to help local agencies by facilitating and funding these successful cost saving alliances.”

For more information on YWCA of WNY please visit www.ywca-wny.org or call 852-6120.

For more information on AMH please visit www.actionformentalhealth.com or call 871-0581.

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