



Behavioral Health Services Advisory Council
OMH Project Review Agenda
July 9, 2026

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Review Date:	7/9/2026	Agency:	University of Rochester Medical Center/Strong Memorial Hospital
CPAR:	217	Project Type:	Capital Project
CON:	231072		
Project Description			
Provider:	University of Rochester Medical Center/Strong Memorial Hospital		
Business Type:	Not-For-Profit Corporation		
Program Type:	Inpatient		
Address:	300 Crittenden Boulevard, Rochester, NY 14642-0001		
Counties to be served:	Monroe		
Population to be served:	☒ Children	☒ Adolescents	☐ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:	4/23/2027		
Applicant's Request:	This application represents Phase 2 of a three-phase capital project to restore offline beds to Strong Memorial Hospital's inpatient psychiatric program located at 300 Crittenton Blvd. In Phase 2, the applicant is seeking approval to conduct renovations on unit 3-9000, a unit that is currently licensed to serve twenty-three (23) adults, to create twenty-four (24) single rooms to serve children and adolescents. Youth are currently being served on unit 4-9000. The applicant reports that it has become increasingly challenging to manage the needs of these populations with the physical layout of the current pediatric unit. The current unit design consists of 2-bed suites, which has presented challenges for rooming patients when there are non-binary gender needs, as well as challenges managing situations that may pose safety risks to youth on the unit. These challenges have often resulted in the hospital needing to operate below licensed capacity. The proposed layout of unit 3-9000 will result in all single rooms, creating a more suitable operational fit for the needs of the pediatric population. To accomplish this, an unused unit (unit 3-9100) will be included in the renovation. Upon completion of the renovations, youth will be transferred from the current unit (4-9000) to the renovated unit (3-9000) and the current licensed capacity to serve the pediatric population will be reduced from twenty-seven (27) beds to twenty-four (24) beds. The remaining three (3) beds will be reallocated to serve the adult population on other units. There will be a temporary reduction in the availability of youth beds during the summer of 2026 when the census on the children's unit is historically lower.		
Background			

Strong has been operating with ten (10) of its licensed psychiatric beds offline for a number of years. The hospital has developed a three-phase plan to bring their psychiatric inpatient program to its full licensed capacity.

A related Comprehensive Prior Approval Review (CPAR) application (CPAR 136) to renovate unit 4-9200 was conditionally approved in December 2025 and is currently pending final approval. A third related CPAR application for the final phase of renovations is anticipated to be submitted to complete the renovations on Unit 4-9000.

Upon completion of all three phases of the overall renovation and bed reconfiguration project, the ten (10) currently offline beds will be restored, bringing the total number of operational psychiatric inpatient beds back to the hospital's full licensed capacity of ninety-three (93) beds.

Need

With the current mental health crisis, and New York State's commitment to bringing all psychiatric beds in the state up to full capacity, Strong Memorial Hospital has developed a three-phase plan to bring their psychiatric inpatient unit to its licensed capacity of ninety-three (93) beds.

Character and Competence

Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH		☒ Yes	☐ No
Indicate the number of licensed programs	6 Outpatient	1 Inpatient	0 Residential
The applicant is in compliance with OMH regulations		☒ Yes	☐ No
The applicant is in compliance with the NYS Department of Health.		☒ Yes	☐ No

Staffing

Staffing Impact:	☐ Yes	☒ No
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Staffing Comments: There will not be any changes to staffing as a result of the capital project being approved during Phase 2. The increased staffing and impact on the program budget will be reviewed during Phase 3 of the overall capital and bed restoration project.

Inpatient Bed Capacity

Current Bed Capacity: 93	Proposed Bed Capacity: 93	% Change: 0
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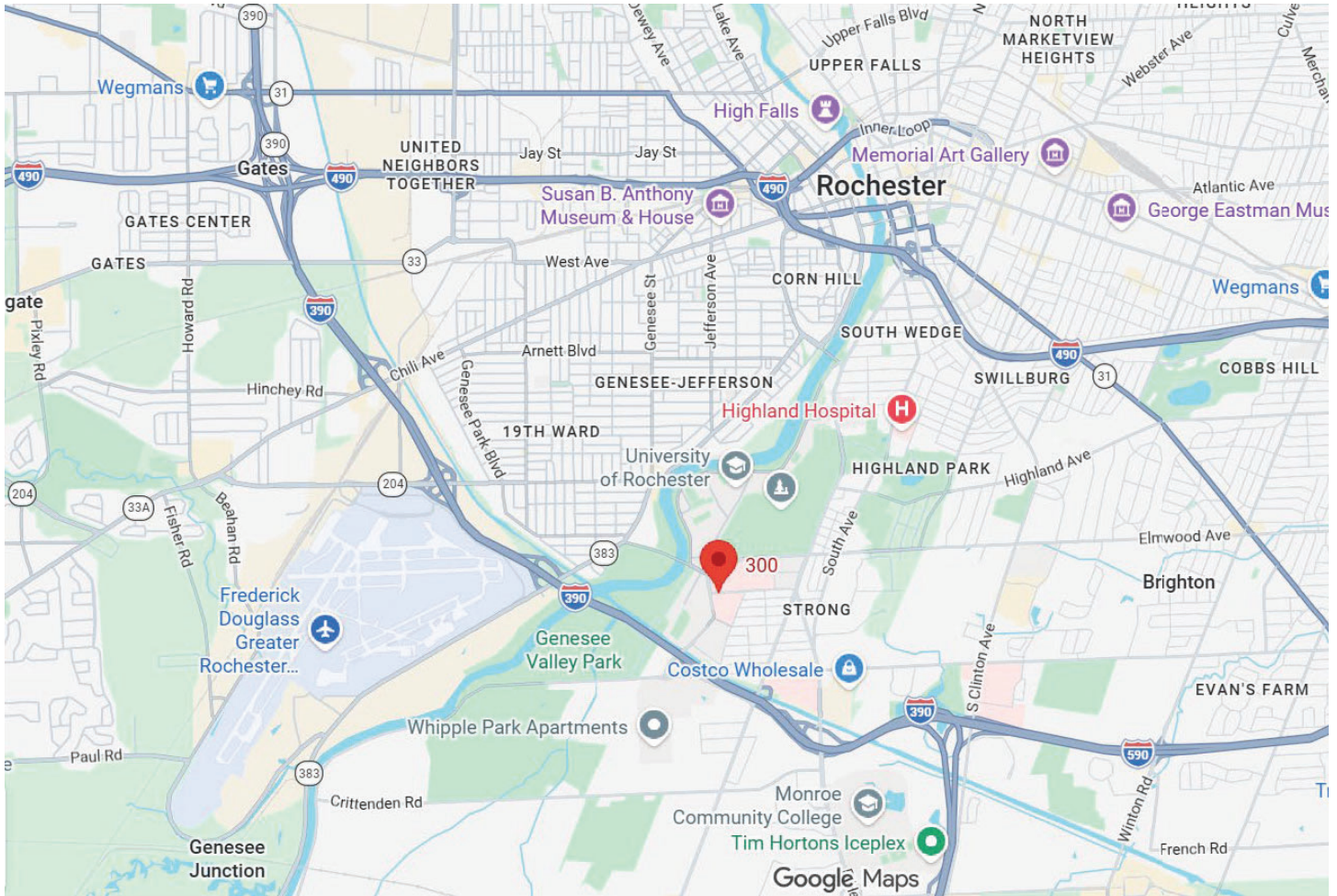
Fiscal Information

Fiscal Comments: The estimated total cost for Phase 2 of the project is \$5,033,248, which will be funded by the applicant through accumulated funds.

The OMH Community Budget and Fiscal Management Unit recommended approval of the proposed project budget based on a review of the applicant's recent financials and determination that they appear to be fiscal viable.

Reviewer Recommendations

Reviewer	Recommendation
County - Monroe:	Approve
Office of Mental Health:	Approve with Conditions
Conditions of Approval: 1. Submission of the architect's attestation of substantial completion and an updated Certificate of Occupancy. 2. Satisfactory pre-occupancy site visit with the NYS OMH Western New York Field Office. 3. NYS Department of Health approval of the corresponding Certificate of Need (CON) application.	



University of Rochester Medical Center/ Strong memorial Hospital Department of Psychiatry
CPAR #217

300 Crittenden Boulevard, Rochester, NY 14642-0001

BHSAC – Project Summary Form			
Review Date:	7/9/2026	Agency:	Hillside Children's Center
PAR #:	253	Project Type:	Capital Project
Project Description			
Provider:	Hillside Children's Center		
Business Type:	Not-For-Profit Corporation		
Program Type:	Residential Treatment Facility (RTF)		
Address:	2075 Scottsville Road, Rochester, NY 14623-2021		
Counties to be served:	Monroe		
Population to be served:	☒ Children	☒ Adolescents	☐ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:	7/31/2026		
Applicant's Request:	The applicant requests retroactive approval for a capital project involving the construction of a new cottage building to house the children and youth served at the Crestwood Campus Residential Treatment Facility program. The new residence, to be named Jenkins Cottage, is a one-story building encompassing 4,092 square feet with nine (9) single bedrooms, a dedicated support and family interaction space, and a medication room. The larger project also includes plans for site and courtyard enhancements that will offer residents access to a centralized gathering and play area that will be surrounded by thoughtfully designed natural landscaping that seeks to create a calm, welcoming, and restorative outdoor environment, although these will be incorporated into phase two of the project (see Need section below). The project was funded in part by a Department of Health Transformation Grant in collaboration with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.		
Background			
Hillside Children's Center is a not-for-profit organization that provides community-based services, education, and residential treatment to youth and families who have experienced trauma. The organization has been in existence since 1837, when it began serving the needs of vulnerable children. They currently operate ten (10) OMH-licensed programs that include Day Treatment, Youth Assertive Community Treatment, and Residential Treatment Facility programs. Crestwood Campus is a Residential Treatment Facility that serves eighteen children and youth, ages five to fourteen. The program has been in operation since 2014 and currently serves individuals in two residential cottages, Valhalla and Olympia, each housing nine (9) youth.			
Need			

The current residential cottages, built in 1960, were in need of substantial renovations to provide an improved living and therapeutic environment for the children and youth served. Hillside Children's Center applied for and received funding through a Department of Health Transformation Grant. The applicant used this funding opportunity to implement a three-phase plan to build the new Jenkins Cottage and renovate the two existing cottages. Upon completion of the new cottage, the current residents from Olympia Cottage will be moved there. A second CPAR application has been submitted by the applicant for approval of the subsequent capital project to perform renovations and construction of an addition to the Olympia Cottage that will ultimately house the remaining youth of the OMH-licensed programs, currently residing in Valhalla Cottage.

The construction and renovations will not have any impact on the overall bed capacity of the RTF campus and the phased renovation plan will prevent any disruption in services to youth served.

Phase three of the project will include renovations to the Valhalla Cottage which will ultimately house an Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) program and will no longer be part of the OMH-licensed footprint.

Character and Competence

Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH		☒ Yes	☐ No
Indicate the number of licensed programs	6 Outpatient	4 Inpatient	0 Residential
The applicant is in substantial compliance with OMH regulations		☒ Yes	☐ No

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Comments:

The total cost of this project is \$7,020,638 and was funded through a \$3,000,000 Department of Health Transformation Grant, \$2,020,638 in agency funds, and \$2,000,000 in donations.

The OMH Western New York Fiscal Unit recommended approval of the proposed project budget based on a review of the applicant's recent financials and determination that they appear to be fiscal viable.

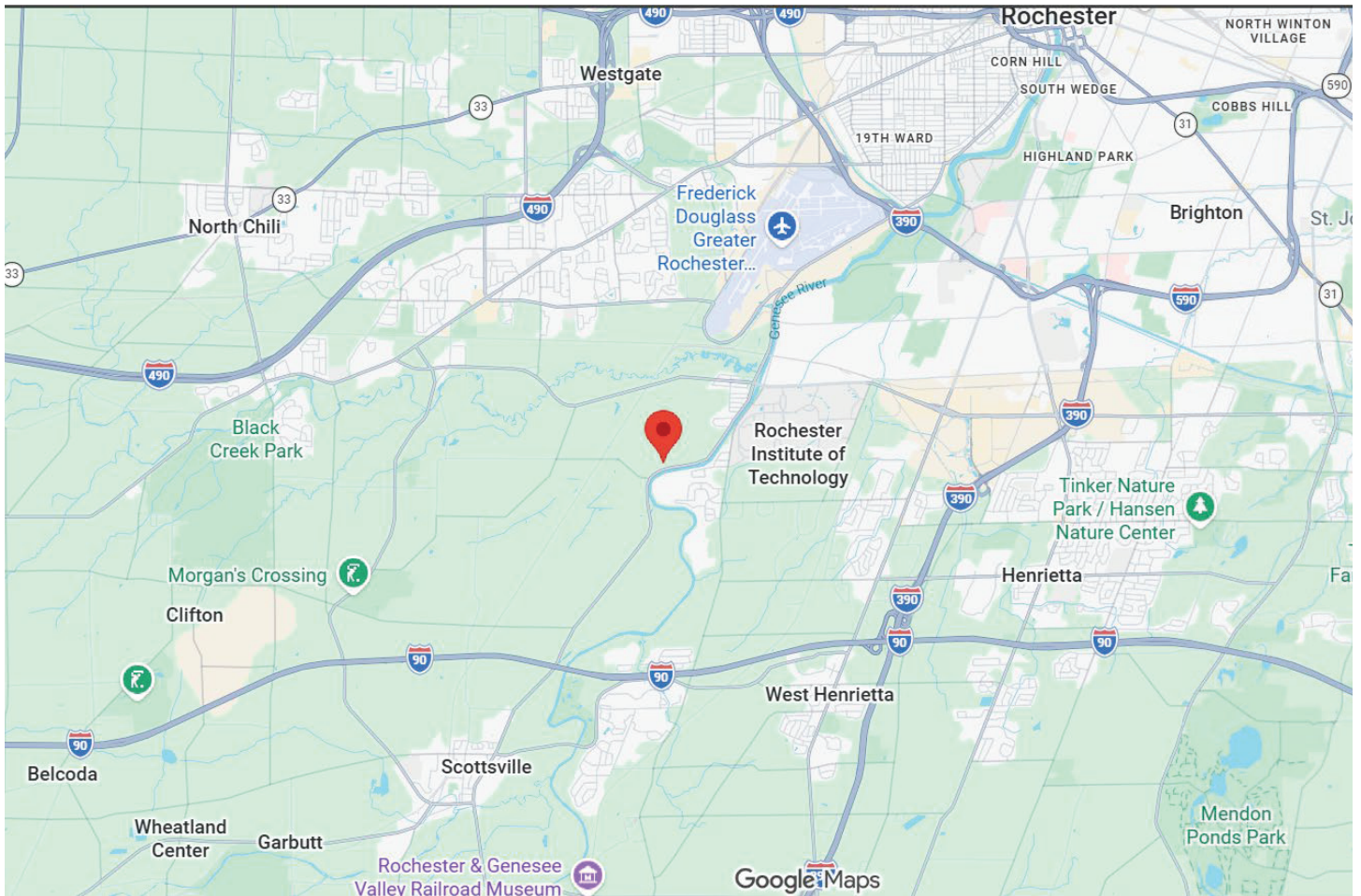
Reviewer Recommendations

Reviewer	Recommendation
County - Monroe:	Approve
Office of Mental Health:	Approve with Conditions

Conditions of Approval:

1. Satisfactory completion of items identified during the architectural review.
2. Submission and satisfactory review of all hardware and furniture that will be used for Jenkins Cottage.
3. Submission of the architect's attestation of substantial completion.
4. Submission of a valid Certificate of Occupancy.

5. Satisfactory pre-occupancy site visit with the Western New York Field Office.



Hillside Children's Center/Crestwood Campus RTF

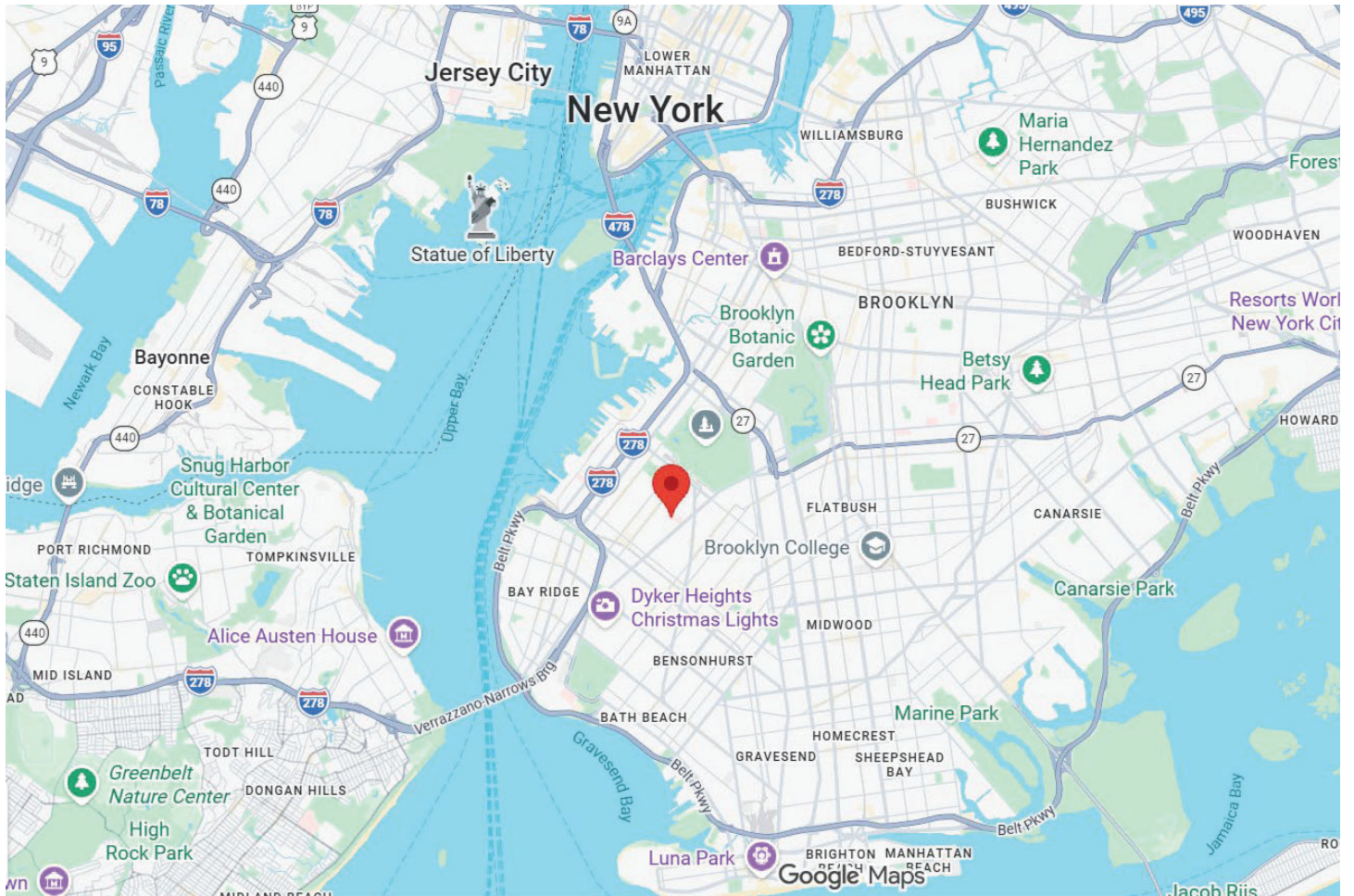
CPAR #253

2075 Scottsville Road, Rochester, NY 14623-2021

BHSAC – Project Summary Form			
Review Date:	7/9/2026	Agency:	Maimonides Medical Center
CPAR #:	227	Project Type:	Capital Project and Capacity Increase
CON #:	252161		
Project Description			
Provider:	Maimonides Medical Center		
Business Type:	Not-For-Profit Corporation		
Program Type:	Inpatient Psychiatric Unit of a General Hospital		
Address:	920 48th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219-2918		
Counties to be served:	Kings		
Population to be served:	☐ Children	☒ Adolescents	☒ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:	12/1/2027		
Applicant's Request:	Maimonides Medical Center (MMC) is seeking approval to increase its inpatient psychiatric bed capacity from seventy (70) to ninety (90) beds, to include the addition of twenty (20) beds serving adolescents ages 13 through 17. The adolescent psychiatric unit will contain six (6) double patient bedrooms, eight (8) single patient bedrooms, and one (1) treatment room. The increase in beds will be achieved through the gut renovation of a 9,836 square feet of space on the fifth floor of the Community Medical Health Center building located on the main hospital campus. The fifth floor is currently used for administrative offices which will be renovated and repurposed for the 20-bed adolescent unit. The unit will comply with FGI Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities by the American Institute of Architects (AIA), as well as Office of Mental Health regulations. The proposed environment will support the specific rehabilitation and support needs of adolescent patients and their families. The unit will be accessible to individuals with mobility devices and wheelchairs and will comply with all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements (i.e., Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and 28 CFR Parts 35 and 36). Construction is projected to begin in September 2026 and will take approximately 12 months to complete. The opening of the new adolescent unit is anticipated in December 2027. MMC has been awarded \$5M through the “Capital for Expanding Inpatient Psychiatric Capacity for Adults, Children and Adolescents in Article 28s and Not for Profit Article 31s” grant opportunity from the New York State Office of Mental Health, as well as a \$4.9M grant from the Behavioral Health		

Centers of Excellence (COE), to assist with the cost of this project.		
Provider's Background		
MMC is a not-for-profit corporation, licensed under Article 28 of the Public Health Law, that has been providing health care services to the communities of Brooklyn since 1911. MMC has provided psychiatric services for many years. In addition to the inpatient psychiatric units, Maimonides is also the operator of two OMH-licensed Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and Rehabilitation (MHOTRS) programs in Brooklyn.		
Need		
The newly created inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit will be the only unit of its kind in South Brooklyn, addressing a critical need for adolescent inpatient capacity to meet the psychiatric needs of adolescents in Brooklyn. The primary service area (PSA) for the proposed 20-bed inpatient program is South Brooklyn's Community District 12 - Borough Park & Kensington PUMA, NY. The area represents 75% of where frequent admissions to the hospital's inpatient psychiatric units come from. The primary population to be served by the proposed 20-bed inpatient psychiatric unit will be adolescent patients, ages 13 through 17, who have been diagnosed with mental health disorders, including those with co-occurring substance use disorders and developmental disabilities. Maimonides is projecting to treat nearly 400 adolescents, with an average length of stay of 14 days and an 80% projected occupancy level, throughout the first year of operation. The PSA has 1,136,064 residents, constitutes 41.5% of the Kings County population and is one of the core communities served by Maimonides. 20% of the population are aged 0 to 9 and another 20% are between the ages of 10 and 19. These percentages are nearly double the Statewide rate, reflecting a very high birth rate. The area has also experienced significantly higher rates of poverty with 26.6% of the population below the poverty line, compared with the State of New York at 14.4%. 33% of individuals younger than 18 years of age in the PSA also fall below the poverty line. With currently roughly 500,000 children and adolescents comprising 40% of the PSA population, the applicant requests support for the proposed 20-bed dedicated adolescent inpatient psychiatric unit for this area.		
Character and Competence		
Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH	☒ Yes	☐ No
The applicant is in substantial compliance with other Government agencies (NYS DOH)	☒ Yes	☐ No
Inpatient Psychiatric Bed Capacity		
Current Bed Capacity: 70	Proposed Bed Capacity: 90	% Change: + 28.57%
Clinical Staffing		
Clinical Staff Titles	Credentials	FTE
Director of Inpatient Psychiatry	MD; NYS Licensure	1.00
Resident Physician	PGY	22.00
Administrative Director	BS/BA	1.00
Attending Psychiatrist	MD; NYS Licensure	12.63

Psychologist	PhD; NYS Licensure	3.00
Nurse Manager	RN; NYS Licensure	6.43
Social Work Supervisor	LCSW	1.00
Social Worker	LCSW/MSW	9.00
Registered Nurse	RN; NYS Licensure	39.83
Mental Health Worker	LPN; NYS Licensure	60.52
Creative Arts Therapist	BS/BA; NCTRC Certification (preferred)	5.00
Peer Specialist	HS Diploma/GED	1.00
Total		162.41
Program Budget		
Revenue		Expenses
Medicaid:	\$ 110,862	Personnel \$ 5,160,433
Medicaid Managed care:	\$ 5,517,859	Fringe \$ 1,591,399
Medicare:	\$ 1,614,250	Supplies \$ 3,354
Self-Pay:	\$ 52,966	Administration/Overhead \$ 302,219
Private Insurance:	\$ 1,398,507	
Total	\$ 8,694,444	Total \$ 7,057,405
Capital Renovations Budget		
Funding Sources		Expenses
Accumulated Funds	\$1,666,812	Construction \$11,575,903
BH Centers of Excellence		
NYS OMH	\$4,909,091	
	\$5,000,000	
Total	\$11,575,903	Total \$11,575,903
Reviewer Recommendations		
Reviewer		Recommendation
County - NYC DOHMH:		Approve with Conditions
Office of Mental Health:		Approve with Conditions
Conditions of Approval:		
1. Submission of the architect's attestation of substantial completion. 2. Satisfactory pre-occupancy site visit with the OMH NYC Field Office. 3. NYS Department of Health approval of the corresponding Certificate of Need (CON) application.		



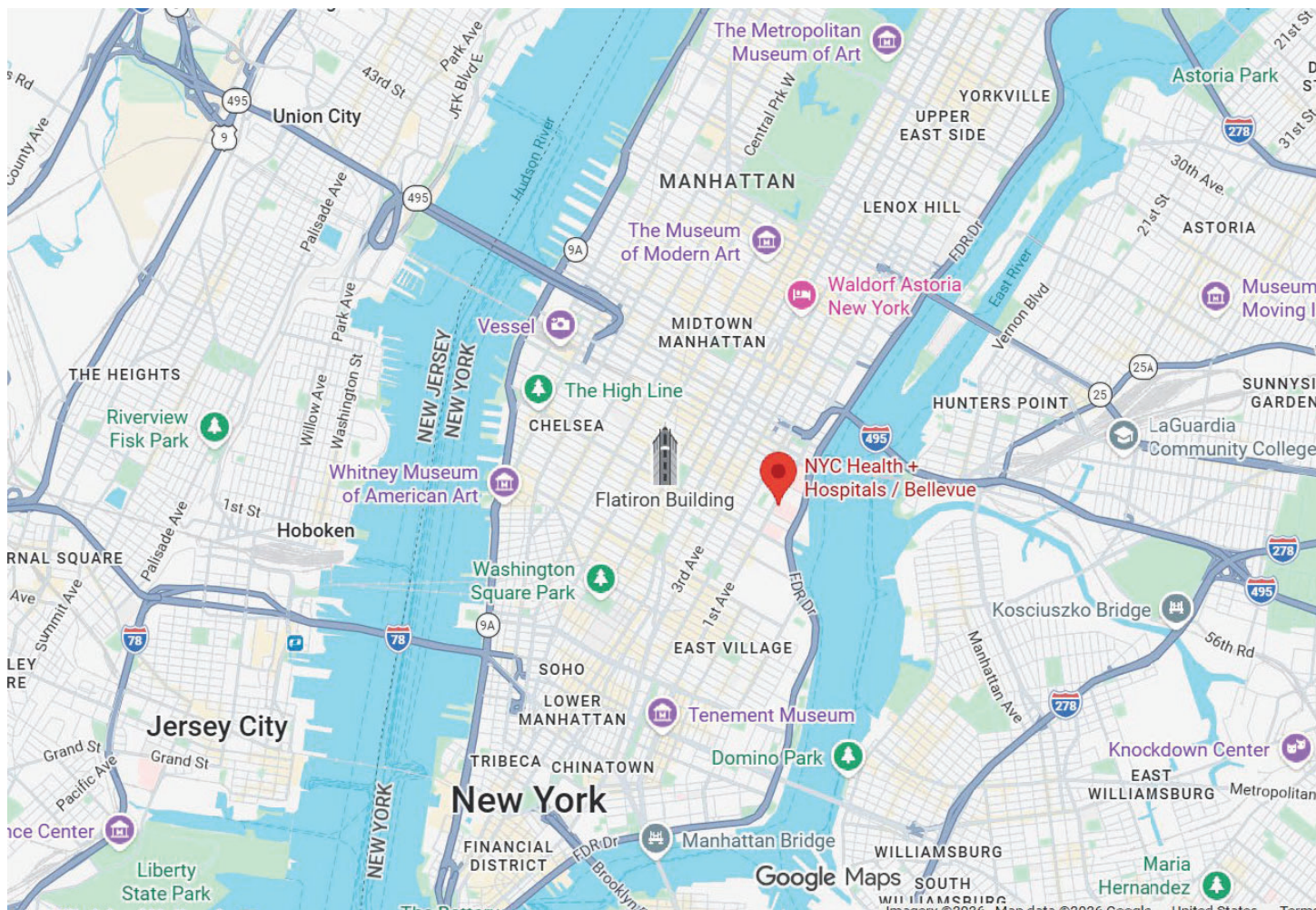
Maimonides Medical Center

CPAR #227

920 48th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11219-2918

BHSAC – Project Summary Form			
Review Date:	7/9/2026	Agency:	NYC-HHC Bellevue Hospital Center
CPAR #:	237	Project	Capital Project
Construction Notice #:	4032	Type:	
Project Description			
Provider:	NYC-HHC Bellevue Hospital Center		
Business Type:	Not-For-Profit Corporation		
Program Type:	Inpatient Psychiatric Unit of a General Hospital		
Address:	462 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016-9196		
Counties to be served:	New York County		
Population to be served:	☒ Children	☒ Adolescents	☒ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:	3/1/2031		
Applicant's Request:	Bellevue Hospital is seeking approval to conduct alterations that would improve patient safety by eliminating ligature risks in 6 inpatient psychiatric units, 3 adult, 2 older adult, and 1 children's unit. The project scope includes bathroom renovations, floor replacement, replacement of plumbing fixtures, new wall tiles, replacement of case work and mill work, and partition replacement to meet anti-ligature requirements; and electrical supply upgrades in units 12S, 18N, 18W, 18S, 20E and 21S. The project will occur in 6 phases. The impact on patient care and bed capacity during the construction phases is expected to be minimal with the availability of alternate bed locations for admissions during each phase of the renovations. The project is anticipated to be completed in March of 2031. There will be no permanent reduction in licensed bed capacity.		
Provider's Background			
Bellevue Hospital is the oldest hospital in the United States, dating back to 1736, when a six-bed infirmary opened on the second floor of an almshouse. Bellevue currently operates over 800 beds in a 25-story patient care facility. Their OMH-licensed inpatient psychiatry program currently has a total of 12 units with 316 beds that provide services to children, adolescents, adults, older adults and forensic populations.			
Need			
A number of ligature risks have been identified in each of the aforementioned units which pose safety risks for patients. The renovations serve to correct these deficiencies and create a ligature-free environment.			
Character and Competence			
Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH	☒	Yes	☐ No

The applicant is in compliance with other Government agencies (NYS DOH)		☒ Yes		☐ No	
Capital Renovations Budget					
Revenue			Expenses		
Bellevue Hospital	\$ 15,000,000	Construction	\$ 15,000,000		
Total	\$ 15,000,000	Total	\$ 15,000,000		
Fiscal Comments: The total project cost of \$15M will be funded entirely by Bellevue Hospital Center through accumulated funds. The OMH Community Budget and Fiscal Management Unit recommended approval of the proposed project budget based on a review of the applicant's recent financials and determination that they appear to be fiscal viable.					
Reviewer Recommendations					
Reviewer			Recommendation		
County - NYC DOHMH:			Approve with Conditions		
Office of Mental Health:			Approve with Conditions		
Conditions of Approval: 1. Provide project status updates at 6-month intervals. 2. Submission of the architect's attestation of substantial completion. 3. Satisfactory pre-occupancy site visit with the NYC FO of each unit upon completion of each unit's renovations. 4. NYS Department of Health approval of the corresponding Construction Notice (CN #4032).					



NYC-HHC Bellevue Hospital Center
CPAR #237
462 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016-9196

BHSAC – Project Summary Form			
Review Date: 7/9/2026		Agency: St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center	
CPAR #:	242	Project Capital Project	
Construction Notice:	5332	Type:	
Project Description			
Provider:		St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center	
Business Type:		Not-For-Profit Corporation	
Program Type:		Inpatient Psychiatric Unit of a General Hospital	
Address:		50 Route 25A Smithtown, NY 11787	
Counties to be served:		Suffolk	
Population to be served:		☐ Children	☐ Adolescents ☒ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:		TBD	
Applicant's Request:		St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center seeks approval for capital renovations that, when completed, will improve patient safety and comfort with updated and improved plumbing infrastructure of its forty-two (42) bed adult inpatient psychiatric unit. The project scope includes upgrades to twenty (20) bathrooms, including replacement of plumbing and finishes, plumbing fixtures, drywall, wall coverings and floors. The layout of the bathrooms will remain unchanged. The project will be completed in ten (10) phases, with renovations to two (2) bathrooms per phase, and each phase proposed to take approximately 2-weeks to complete. Construction work will be scheduled to occur Monday through Friday, 7am to 3pm with a total anticipated project duration of 20-weeks from start to finish. Each phase will inactivate two (2) double-bedded patient rooms (i.e. four (4) patient beds per phase). The impact on patient care and bed capacity is expected to be minimal with the availability of alternate bed locations for admissions during construction. The project cost is \$1.35 M and will be entirely funded by St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center.	
Provider's Background			
St. Catherine of Siena Hospital, a not-for-profit corporation licensed under Article 28 of the Public Health Law, and part of the Catholic Health system, is a community hospital that has served the community of Smithtown for more than 50 years. The hospital reports it earned an "A" Hospital Safety Grade from The Leapfrog Group, for its Spring 2026 Hospital Safety Survey. The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization that sets rigorous standards for patient safety and quality, reflecting strong performance in preventing medical errors, injuries, accidents and infections.			

The Hospital also reports it earned a five-star overall quality rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the highest rating awarded by the federal agency, in May 2026.

The CMS Star Quality Ratings is said to be one of the most widely used benchmarks for hospital performance across the United States. Hospitals are evaluated across various measures including clinical quality, operational effectiveness and patient-centered care, with five stars representing the highest level of performance nationwide.

In addition to the inpatient psychiatric unit, the hospital also runs a comprehensive PROS program licensed by OMH.

Need

OMH has cited the inpatient program for inadequate plumbing and looping hazards from bathroom fixtures. The proposed renovations will address the plumbing issues and aim to minimize potential looping hazards.

Character and Competence

Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH	☒ Yes	☐ No
The applicant is in compliance with other Government agencies (NYS DOH)	☒ Yes	☐ No

Capital Renovations Budget

Revenue		Expenses	
St. Catherine's Hospital	\$ 1,350,000	Construction	\$ 1,350,000
Total	\$ 1,350,000	Total	\$ 1,350,000

Fiscal Comments

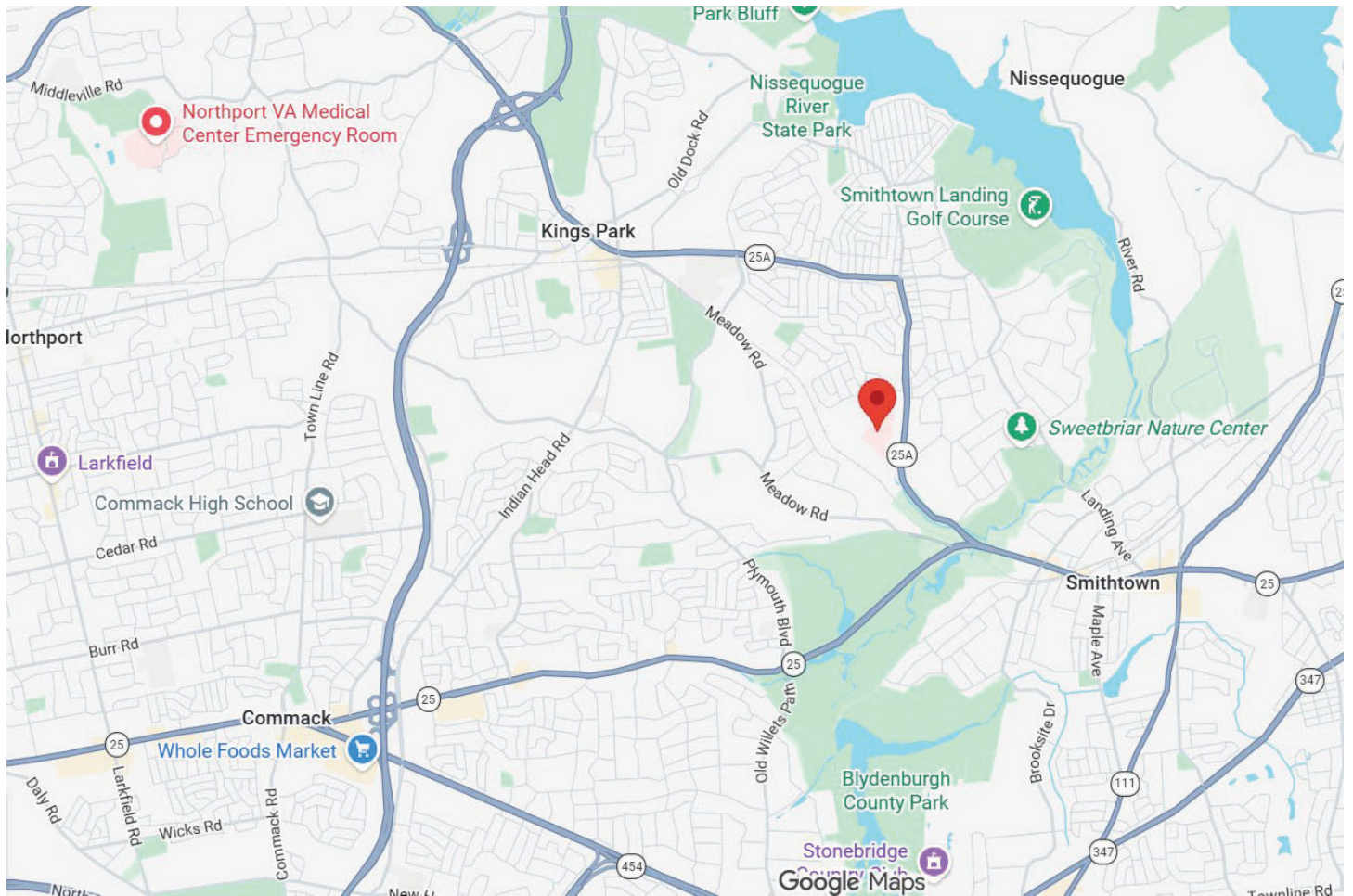
The OMH Community Budget and Fiscal Management Unit recommended approval of the proposed project budget based on a review of the applicant's recent financials and determination that they appear to be fiscal viable.

Reviewer Recommendations

Reviewer	Recommendation
County - Suffolk	No objection noted to-date
Office of Mental Health	Approval with Conditions

Conditions of Approval:

1. New York State Department of Health (DOH) approval of the corresponding Construction Notice.
2. Submission of the architect's attestation of substantial completion.
3. Satisfactory pre-occupancy site visit with the OMH Long Island Field Office.



St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center
CPAR #242
50 Route 25A, Smithtown, NY 11787

BHSAC – Project Summary Form			
Review Date:	7/9/2026	Agency:	Rockland Independent Living Center dba B.R.I.D.G.E.S.
Project #:	CPAR 250	Project Type:	Change of Sponsor
Project Description			
Provider:	Rockland Independent Living Center, Inc. dba B.R.I.D.G.E.S/ VCS Inc.		
Business Type:	Not-For-Profit Corporation		
Program Type:	Mental Health Outpatient Treatment and Rehabilitative Services (MHOTRS) Program		
Address:	77 South Main Street, New City, NY 10956-3511		
Counties to be served:	Rockland		
Population to be served:	☒ Children	☒ Adolescents	☒ Adults
Proposed Effective Date:	8/1/2026		
Applicant's Request:	Rockland Independent Living Center dba B.R.I.D.G.E.S (BRIDGES) seeks to become the new sponsor of an existing licensed OMH provider, VCS Inc. VCS Inc. will remain the operator of their existing MHOTRS Program (VCS Mental Health Clinic) and associated satellite clinics. The proposed changes in governance structure will not result in any changes to current day-to-day program operations for the existing OMH-licensed program.		
Background			
BRIDGES is a New York charitable organization (501c3) headquartered at 2290 Palisades Center Drive, West Nyack, NY that provides advocacy and leadership in the creation and development of an accessible and integrated community for people with disabilities residing in Rockland County and its surrounding areas. BRIDGES operates an Independent Living Center in New York State under the auspices of the New York State Education Department (NYSED). Additionally, BRIDGES has operated non-licensed programs with focuses on veterans, seniors, and/or individuals re-entering the community after incarceration. Specific programs include the Veterans Directed Care (VDC) program, Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Peer Support Program, Veteran Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Program for Justice Involved Veterans, Veterans Accessible Transportation Program, Food Recovery Program, CHORE Program (assisting older adults with home modifications to allow them to remain safe in their homes), Integration Services (including the Rockland County Re-entry Task Force), and the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Alternative to Incarceration program. VCS Inc. is an OMH-licensed provider which has operated a MHOTRS clinic since 2015. They currently also operate four school-based satellite locations. The program is in good standing with OMH and no programmatic changes are expected as a result of this change of sponsor application and associated processes.			

BRIDGES and VCS Inc. developed and implemented a Management and Administrative Services agreement which was supported by OMH on May 5, 2026. The agreement involves the provision of management services to VCS Inc. by BRIDGES.

Both BRIDGES and VCS Inc. will maintain separate Boards of Directors, with some BRIDGES Board Members also serving on VCS, Inc.'s Board. VCS Inc. remains solely responsible for maintaining all licenses and operating certificates for the operation of their MHOTRS program. BRIDGES will provide services including advisory and administrative support, financial management, human resources management, and maintenance services management.

BRIDGES subsequently submitted the comprehensive PAR application requesting to be recognized by OMH as the sponsor of VCS, Inc. In order to effectuate this change, VCS Inc. is proposing to amend their By-Laws to reflect BRIDGES as their sole corporate member.

Need

In 2025, VCS communicated to OMH that it was experiencing significant financial distress. No programmatic concerns were identified.

The affiliation between VCS and BRIDGES will allow VCS to continue offering behavioral health services with no service interruptions for current clients. VCS currently maintains an average monthly caseload of approximately 450 individuals. In the event that VCS were unable to continue operations, these individuals would all potentially face a loss of service.

Character and Competence

Applicant operates programs licensed by OMH	☐ Yes	☒ No
The applicant is in compliance with other Government agencies	☒ Yes	☐ No

Staffing

Staffing Impact:	☐ Yes	☒ No
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Staffing Comments:

There are no anticipated changes to the staffing patterns for any OMH-licensed programs under the new sponsor arrangement. VCS and BRIDGES will work with OMH to determine any additional requirements or adjustments for required Pre-Employment Checks.

Caseload Capacity

Units of Service: 19,272	Annual Caseload: 450
Clinical Staff/Caseload Ratio:1:35	

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Comments:

There are no significant changes anticipated to the current operating budgets for any OMH-licensed programs following the effectuation of the change of sponsor. OMH

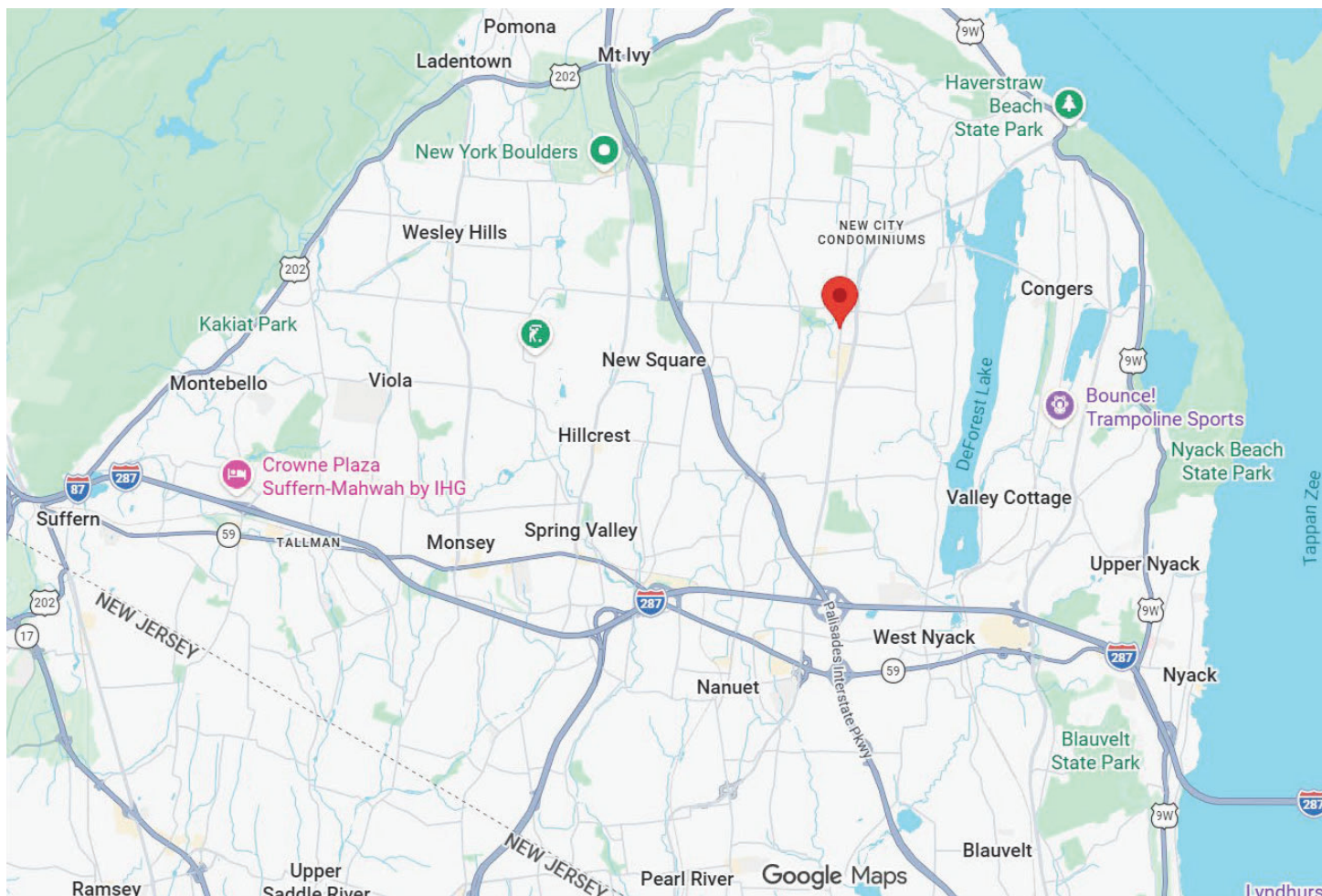
conducted a fiscal review of BRIDGES during the PAR process and determined the new sponsor entity to be fiscally viable.

Reviewer Recommendations

Reviewer	Recommendation
County - Rockland:	No objection noted to-date
Office of Mental Health:	Approve with Conditions

Conditions of Approval:

1. The applicant will continue to work closely with OMH to submit all necessary information to provide reasonable assurance of BRIDGES' understanding of 14 NYCRR Part 599 and their ability to responsibly manage the affairs of the OMH-licensed programs operated by VCS Inc. prior to issuance of final approval.
2. Satisfactory completion of character and competency reviews of all Board Members that are currently unknown to the NYS Office of Mental Health.
3. Satisfactory review of the Pre-Employment Check procedures for VCS, Inc. under the sponsorship of BRIDGES.
4. Submission of filing receipts from the NYS Office of the Attorney General and Department of State for all amendments to BRIDGES and/or VCS Inc.'s governance documents required to effectuate the change in sponsor request.



Rockland Independent Living Center dba B.R.I.D.G.E.S.

CPAR #250

77 South Main Street, New City, NY 10956-3511