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Immediate Release

Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept \$ 35,000 grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities Grant Program

Jersey City-The Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept a \$35,000 grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with disabilities Grant Program.

The purpose of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA), Department of Health and Human Services Office of Disability Services grant is to provide funding for the creation of a visual arts and creative movement program for Hudson County residents. The Hudson County Holistic Immersion Program will provide approximately sixty (100) residents with and without disabilities with opportunities for creative expression, productive social interaction, and artistic achievement.

The target population will participate in a series of classes where they will explore different forms of art media (i.e. Ceramics, canvas, clay), creative movement (i.e., yoga, and dance), learn traditional and adaptive karate techniques and attend an educational field trip. Individuals with disabilities will also have the opportunity to have a caregiver or parent work collectively on their projects. The Educational Arts Team and Kennedy Daners Inc will implement the Hudson County Holistic Immersion Program. In addition, up to twenty youths, ages 6-15, will participate in Camp Liberty. This is a summer camp

that offers young people an outlet for artistic expression, a safe space to have social interactions and structured activities for recreation.

The term of this grant is from July 1, 2023, through December 31, 2024.

Board Chairman Anthony Romano and the Board of Commissioners are committed in their resolve in providing the necessary resources needed to support recreation and leisure services for all persons with disabilities in Hudson County.

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