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New affordable housing with mental health services opens in Lockport

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The \$17.7 million Packet Boat Landing Apartments in Lockport are now officially open.

The three-story, 62-thousand-square-foot affordable housing development is run by DePaul Properties and includes 60 one-bedroom apartments, with 21 units offering supportive services.

"The supportive housing units in the Packet Boat Landing Apartments in Lockport will help individuals with mental illness to live and thrive in their own community," said state Office of Mental Health Commissioner Dr. Ann Marie Sullivan. "We at OMH are proud to work with our colleagues at HCR, helping to give our most vulnerable neighbors and opportunity to live, and thrive, in their community."

An individual resident must have an income of \$31,380 or less to live there. Two people can have a combined income of \$35,880.

All apartments include basic cable service, heat, air conditioning, hot water and electricity. Also available are laundry facilities, a community room, lounges, a computer lab and free Wi-Fi in common areas.

"This project is another investment continuing the development and growth of Western New York's economy," Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul said. "We're focused on bringing more businesses and people to the area, while building new housing options that are convenient and inclusive. The state is dedicating billions of dollars to construct affordable housing developments to provide all New Yorkers with safe and affordable places to live."

The opening is part of New York's \$20 billion, five-year Housing Plan. That will provide 112,000 units of affordable housing for those with limited incomes, including 6,000 supportive housing units across the state.

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