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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Dear Ms. Godnick Barber
Re: Response and Questions Pathways COA Application-Dated March 25, 2024

Pathways will reopen Soteria House at 141 Maple Street in July 2025 (FY 26), with current funding for 5 beds. Pathways will collaborate with DMH to identify additional funding to support the increase in capacity to serve 8 individuals.

Referrals to Soteria surged by 70% from FY 20 to FY 24, underscoring the pressing demand. Our overarching objective for the Soteria program is to address this demand by augmenting capacity with an additional 3 beds.

Please reach out with any questions you may have.

Best,

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Hilary Melton
Executive Director

CC: Emily Hawes, DMH Commissioner
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