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Media Contact: Josh Kelly, CEO

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Subject: TVCCA Hires Jon-Paul Mandelburg to Lead Program Implementation & Expansion as New COO

Norwich, CT – The Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. (TVCCA) is excited to announce the promotion of Jon-Paul Mandelburg to fill the role of Chief Operations Officer for the agency, who has previously served as TVCCA's Director of Housing.

Jon-Paul's work with TVCCA, which began in June 2017, has involved the overall management of TVCCA's housing programs, including Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, and federally and state-subsidized housing programs, and budgets and personnel related to each of those programs.



Prior to joining TVCCA, Jon-Paul has served in multiple capacities with Vista Life Innovations out of Madison, CT and Change Inc. out of Middletown, CT, where he worked directly with clients and managed staff members to implement the programs run by those two agencies. Jon-Paul is also a Reservist in the US Coast Guard, and has served in that capacity for nearly seven years. Jon-Paul's commitment to service and empathy are just two of the many reasons why TVCCA is ecstatic to have him serve in the new capacity of COO.

Jon-Paul holds his Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Columbia University and is poised to receive his Master's in Business Administration this year.

"At such a time of social and economic uncertainty, the residents of our community need to know that they have supportive neighbors looking out for their interests," said Josh Kelly, TVCCA's CEO. "TVCCA has helped fill that role in southeastern Connecticut for the past 59 years, and I'm confident and excited to have Jon-Paul step into the COO role to continue to lead the great programmatic work of our agency."

Jon-Paul's first day in the new role will be on March 3rd, 2024. He will work out of the agency's Uncas on Thames office in Norwich.

TVCCA is the federally-designated Community Action Agency (CAA) for southeastern CT, with most of its programs covering the 21 towns of New London County and other programs covering larger portions of

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eastern Connecticut. TVCCA offers assistance in areas such as housing, home heating, food and nutrition, employment and professional development, early childhood education, woman and infant care, and other community services. In 2023, the agency employed approximately 350 individuals, the agency's volunteer partners invested over 63,000 volunteer hours into the community, and the agency as a whole invested over \$40 million in staff time and direct assistance into southeastern Connecticut.

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