

Funding Will Pay for Capital Improvement Projects in Newburgh and Middletown

Washington, DC - Congressman Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) today announced \$1.5 million in economic recovery funding for health care centers in Newburgh and Middletown to make various capital improvements. The Middletown Community Health Center will receive \$763,415 and the Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center will receive \$722,325 in federal funding. The funds were made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), which Hinchey actively supported and voted for earlier this year.

"I am very pleased to see that the work we did in passing the economic recovery act in Congress will translate into improved health care for the residents of Middletown and Newburgh." Hinchey said. "These funds will improve recordkeeping, and will provide for technological and structural upgrades which will equip them with the tools necessary to offer premium care for patients they serve."

The \$1.5 million in new federal funds announced today will be used for a variety of upgrades for both centers. The Middletown Community Health Center will use the federal funds to purchase medical equipment and to pay for infrastructure and technological improvements. The Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center will implement a system to catalogue electronic health records for better accuracy of patient records, which will translate into improved patient care.

The Recovery Act Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is a new program aimed at helping local health care centers meet their funding needs with the ultimate goal of improving patient care, stimulating new jobs, and meet the significant healthcare needs of uninsured and underserved Americans.