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The Council on Addiction Prevention & Education (CAPE) of Dutchess County, Inc. is pleased to announce that our state governing agency, the New York State Office for Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (NYSOASAS) has nominated The Marathon Project to participate in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Service to Science Initiative.

The Marathon Project, a program of CAPE since 2006, is an innovative distance running program that pairs adult mentors with at risk youth in the Beacon and Newburgh communities. The Service to Science nomination allows each state to nominate up to 5 locally developed and innovative prevention programs that, if selected at the national level, can benefit from technical assistance and support to strengthen their capacity to demonstrate and document evidence of effectiveness.

The Marathon Project (MP) is part of an array of prevention services offered by CAPE to reduce youth risk behaviors that can lead to substance use/misuse and violence. The MP, like all CAPE programs, seeks to provide, promote and pioneer prevention education services for the citizens of Dutchess County and neighboring areas so that they can make healthy and responsible choices to improve individual and community quality of life.

CAPE is licensed by NYS OASAS as a prevention education and counseling provider and trainer offering evidence-based programs and practices to the Dutchess County community.

CAPE, formerly known as the Dutchess County Council on Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency, was founded in 1987. Its main office is located in Fishkill, New York. The agency is a not for profit 501C3. The agency employs a staff of 12.

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