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**NY Cannabis Social Equity Investment Fund Program Report
as of December 30, 2022**

(1) The number of conditional adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries (CAURD) assisted by DASNY pursuant to this subdivision:

- The Cannabis Social Equity Investment Fund (The “Fund”) was authorized in the 2023 Enacted NYS Budget in April 2022. To date, DASNY, through its subsidiary the Social Equity Servicing Corporation (SESC) serving as agent for NY Cannabis Social Equity Investment Fund (the “Fund”), has conducted significant work to benefit all CAURD licenses under the Fund program. Significant work has been conducted to identify sites, which has entailed the review of more than 10,000 locations throughout New York State, identifying more than 2300 locations as potentially suitable locations, and initiating negotiations with 350 property owners in anticipation of leasing sites. Furthermore, work is underway to identify licensee-related services, including but not limited to, identifying a point-of-sale system provider that will be made available for all licensees, the identification of potential financial, accounting and banking services, and establishing a training curriculum for licensees.

(2) The geographic distribution of sites designated by the Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) and prepared by DASNY for conditional adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries for operation by licensed social equity businesses:

- OCM has identified Regional Preference and Allocations for licensees, which will serve as the basis for site identification, as follows: The regions of New York State are broken up as follows: Brooklyn, Capital Region, Central New York, Finger Lakes, Long Island, Manhattan, Mid-Hudson, Mohawk Valley, North Country, Queens, Southern Tier, Staten Island, The Bronx, and Western New York. OCM will license up to 150 Qualifying Business Applicants. Licenses will be allocated among the fourteen (14) regions based on commuter-adjusted population.

Name of Region	Commuter Adjusted Population	Population	Max. Number of Qualifying Business CAURD Licenses
Brooklyn	2,852,632	12.3%	19
Capital Region	1,145,370	5.0%	7
Central New York	1,093,219	4.7%	7
Finger Lakes	1,383,303	6.0%	9
Long Island	3,110,067	13.4%	20
Manhattan	3,375,059	14.6%	22
Mid-Hudson	2,603,489	11.3%	17
Mohawk Valley	281,983	1.2%	2
North Country	586,426	2.5%	4
Queens	2,525,120	10.9%	16
Southern Tier	480,753	2.1%	3
Staten Island	500,926	2.2%	3
The Bronx	1,565,988	6.8%	10
Western New York	1,622,461	7.0%	11



(3) Any other such data and information, including information about subsidiary or subsidiaries created pursuant to subdivision thirty-one of this section.

- Pursuant to PAL §1678(31), on June 21, 2022, DASNY has created one subsidiary, the Social Equity Servicing Corporation (SESC) to provide services in connection with the Cannabis Program authorized by statute, which includes “(i) entering into leases, subleases, or other arrangements with regard to such property and acting in a manner consistent with the rights, obligations or responsibilities of the owner, landlord or tenant of such property pursuant to such lease or sublease agreements; (ii) servicing non-recourse loan payments; (iii) furnishing property management services; and (iv) providing general operational and administrative support services.”

(4) Selection of the General Partner:

- Pursuant to PAL § 1678 (32), DASNY was authorized “ to select a private debt or equity fund formed for the sole purpose of funding the capital costs, including closely related ancillary and administrative costs, associated with establishing [CAURDs] for operation by social equity licensees deemed to be eligible by the [OCM] for financing through such fund or related costs...” On May 12, 2022, DASNY issued an RFP seeking proposals from Respondents to serve as fund sponsor, general partner, and fund manager (collectively, the Fund Operators). Proposals were due June 8, 2022 and two entities responded with proposals that were evaluated by a selection/evaluation committee consisting of representatives from DASNY and OCM. Both respondents were also interviewed by the committee. On or about June 17, 2022, the committee recommended Social Equity Impact Ventures, LLC for selection.