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Astor awarded “In Service” Grant from Omega Institute

Rhinebeck, N.Y. – The Astor Home for Children has been awarded an “In Service” grant from Omega Institute. In order to address what it calls “a growing crisis” Omega Institute is reinforcing the nonprofit safety net by awarding unique grants to 24 nonprofits representing a broad spectrum of social issues on local, statewide, national and global levels.

May 26-30 will mark Omega’s 4th annual Service Week event, during which grant recipients of the Omega “In Service” program are awarded fully supported planning retreats that include free room and board and use of all the facilities at Omega’s 195 acre-Rhinebeck campus. Grant recipients can tailor their time to their needs, using it for anything from strategic planning to team-building activities.

“We are honored to be one of 24 grant recipients of Omega Institute’s ‘In Service’ award. This grant will give 19 members of our Home Based Service Coordination staff, who are dedicated to improving the lives of children and families, the opportunity to team-build, engage in stress reduction activities and rejuvenate. Omega’s understanding of, and commitment to nonprofit professionals working on behalf of the ‘welfare of the world’ is evident through these grants, and we are thankful to them,” says Tsoubri Konstantine, Ph.D., Assistant Executive Director, The Astor Home for Children Community Based Behavioral Services Programs (Dutchess County).

“As a nonprofit, the philosophy of service has been at the heart of Omega’s work in the world for 30 years. Now more than ever, service based organizations are in desperate need of support to strengthen and nurture their ability to thrive in the future” said Carla Goldstein, director of external affairs at Omega Institute. “We are deeply honored to reward dedicated nonprofits, who are providing invaluable services to others, with the opportunity to be rejuvenated and re-inspired in an environment that encourages reflection, collaboration and dialogue,” concluded Goldstein.

The Astor Home for Children, as it has since 1953, promotes the well-being of children, adolescents and their families through a range of programs that prevent and treat emotional problems and facilitate healthy development. Now serving over 6,500 children and families annually, Astor’s current range of services to families in the Mid-Hudson Valley and the Bronx include: Residential Treatment, Therapeutic Foster Family Care, Early Childhood Programs, and Community Based Mental Health and Educational Services. For additional information about The Astor Home for Children, please visit their website at www.astorservices.org or call The Astor Home for Children Foundation at (845) 871-1117.