

**READYING EMERGING LEADERS IN SUPPORTIVE HOUSING (RELISH)
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
AGENCY AUTHORIZATION FORM**

Readying Emerging Leaders in Supportive Housing (RELISH) is a program that prepares Black emerging leaders in the nonprofit homeless and housing sector for upward mobility. The program offers eight sessions, including an orientation session and a wrap-up session, and six months of mentorship. Ideal applicants are supervisory or managerial-level employees endeavoring to advance in their career. RELISH can accept up to three (3) participants per organization, however, more than 3 are encouraged to apply. Eligible scholars can receive continuing education credits upon successful completion of the program.

The program runs October- March, with the bi-weekly seminar sessions beginning the last Friday in September (9/29) through December (12/20). **For applications to be considered, this form must be signed by an Executive Director/CEO or designee and returned by Friday, July 31st at 4pm.**

This form certifies that the agency fully supports the employees' professional development by agreeing to the following:

- Providing eight days of paid time to participate in live class sessions, including an orientation session and a wrap-up session; allow an additional twelve one-hour mentoring sessions over a 24-week period.
- In advance of the program start date, paying the \$2,500 program fee to the Supportive Housing Network of NY. The Network will invoice organizations once selection is complete.
- When necessary, assisting the employee with access to documents such as agency financial statements, program budgets, funder standards and/or organizational charts.

Agency

Employee Name

Executive Name

Title

Executive Email

Executive Signature

Date