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More than 100 people attended a Parent Housing Forum on May 30 at the **Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD)** in Valhalla. The program provided information for parents about how to secure

housing support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and autism through the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities.

The program was created in response to overwhelming concerns from the parents and individuals supported by WIHD. The next session was held June 13. It focused on opportunities presented through self-direction, a more person-centered funding mechanism for services, and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities and autism. The session also included another opportunity for stakeholder Q&A, during which some of the questions and themes that emerged on May 30 were addressed.