

Division of Community resources Monthly Report

August 2026

Office for the Aging (OFA)

Director's Report, June 2026

- 28 home visits by case management staff for assessments, reassessments, and application assistance.
- 26 applications for SNAP, Medicaid, Medicare Savings, and Temporary Assistance.
- Participated in several New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) training webinars and program update calls.
- Visited Bethel Senior Housing with Human Rights Director to address concerns brought by constituents. All concerns were addressed and dialogue will continue.
- Attended Children and Adult care coordination planning meeting at Garnet Catskills conducted by Community Services.
- Presented lunch and learn session at Garnet Middletown to Case Managers and Discharge coordination staff regarding OFA resources.
- Attended HIPAA Administrative Oversight committee (Quarterly).
- Conducted interviews for Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) Case Management Specialist and Nutrition Site Aide positions, 2 new employees starting July 13th- Kaitlyn Aschoff, EISEP and Erika Malmgreen, Nutrition Site Aide
- Worked with Full Charge Bookkeeper and Youth Bureau Manager to complete 2027 Budgets for OFA and Youth Services.
- **For July – Thank you to Purchasing, Compliance, and County Attorney's office that identified an issue with one of our EISEP contracts and a huge thank you for our EISEP Case Management staff for helping navigate transition of 6 vulnerable clients to another contract agency immediately to avoid prolonged absence of care.



Sullivan Volunteers

- Four new volunteers enrolled
- Attended online training seminars through Idealist
- Planning for the 2026 Volunteer Fair
- Planning for the 2026 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
- Volunteers provided 58 rides for medical appointments.
- 1,511 hours volunteered in June with a value of \$ 58,143 according to IndependentSector.org

Nutrition Program

- Farmer's Market Coupons to be distributed the first week of July- a much reduced allocation of 600 booklets compared to 1,200 last year.
Prioritization of reaching low income/high risk clients.

<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Meals Served</u>	<u>Clients Served</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
Home-Delivered	2,783	129	\$1,221.00
Congregate Site	507	75	\$760.00
Total	3,290	204	\$1,981.00

Transportation Services

- 129 medical trips via Sullivan County Transportation (SCT).
- 177 shopping trips (SCT).
- 58 volunteer medical transports.
- 5 OFA staff medical transports.
- 33 rides to congregate meal sites.

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

- 33 individuals assisted with their automatic enrollment into HEAP through SNAP eligibility.

Legal Assistance

June billing pending at time of this report.



Caregiver Resource Center (CRC)

Evidence-based Health Promotion:

The Wellness Initiative for Senior Education (WISE):

A 6-week WISE series is underway with 8 seniors at the Town of Highland senior center this summer.

Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention

The Tai Chi refresher classes are being held weekly on Tuesdays from, 11-12 June 30th through Aug. 4th.

We will plan another series in the Fall with dates to be announced.

Bone Builders Fall Series

A new Bone Builders series is planned for Thursdays from Sept. 17th to Nov. 19th 2026 at Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan in Liberty.

Registration is required at www.sullivanccc.org/events or by clicking on this link: <https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4>

Bone Builders at the Western Sullivan Public Library, Jeffersonville Community room continues weekly on Thursdays from 11-12 pm from Sept. 10 through Nov. 19.

Registration for this location will be through the Western Sullivan Public Library's Jeffersonville Branch. Flyers and details will be available soon.

Caregiver Support Groups

Caregiver Café: now the 2nd Monday each month

Note: starting in July, the Caregiver Café support group will be on the 2nd Monday of each month from 10-11.

Dates: July 13, Aug 10 and Sept. 14, Oct 19* (note change due to holiday on Oct. 12), Nov. 9, Dec. 14.

Virtual support group: 3rd Wednesday each month:

July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16 from 6-7pm

Parkinson's Support Group

Dates are the 1st Wednesday of each month from 4-5:30 pm at CCE Sullivan. Please call ahead if you plan to attend (845-292-6180 x 122)

of Information & Assistance calls:

June – 19

Workshops:

June 9 & June 16: Building Brain Healthy Habits, CCE Sullivan

June 3 – Building Brain Healthy Habits, Loch Sheldrake Seniors

July 28 – Building Brain Healthy Habits, CCE Sullivan 3-4pm.

Three ways to Register for support groups or workshops:

- **Call (845) 292-6180 ext. 122**
- **Email: sullivancsrc@cornell.edu**
- **Go to <https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4>**



NY Connects

- 203 individuals served in June.
- 5 outreach events in June: 90 individuals reached with resources.



HIICAP (HEALTH INSURANCE & INFORMATION COUNSELING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

37 Individuals received counseling



PERS (PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM)

19 clients currently enrolled through CSE, EISEP, and Title IIIIE funding.

EISEP – Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program

<u>Status</u>	<u>Number</u>
Active Cases	30
Closed Cases	0
Waitlist	16
Hours Authorized June	1145
Hours Provided June	867



Sullivan County Youth Bureau

- Attended the United Sullivan partner check-in.
- Participated in the monthly New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) Youth Bureau call.
- Presented at Sullivan West Elementary School Career Day.
- Youth Bureau social media generated 2,100 views and 29 interactions, compared with 1,427 views and 23 interactions in June 2025.
- Presented an overview of Youth Bureau services to the Monticello Rotary.
- Reviewed OCFS claiming process and deadline changes. Youth Sports and Education funding is \$321 less than the 2026 allocation; Youth Development Program and Youth Team Sports allocations remain pending.
- Participated in the bi-monthly meeting with the Office for the Aging Director and Youth Bureau Assistant.
- Met with the Youth Bureau Advisory Board Chair and held the quarterly board meeting.
- Met with the Association of New York State Youth Bureaus lobbyist to discuss the State budget's impact on local youth bureaus.
- Visited the Mamakating Environmental Education Center (MEEC) to explore future collaboration.
- Attended budget and equitable supervision training.
- Met with the County Attorney's Office to review new contract requirements.
- Completed the Youth Bureau budget with assistance from Office for the Aging leadership and fiscal staff.

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Sullivan County Transportation

Sullivan County Transportation Department Ridership:

Month 2026	Veterans Medical Centers	Veterans In- County Medical	Senior Medicals	Shopping Buses	Seniors to Congregate Sites	Meals Delivered
January	33	26	95	144	28	561
February	32	17	102	119	34	392
March	41	31	132	167	41	52
April	42	30	145	169	44	26
May	41	22	129	175	39	21
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
Totals						

Move Sullivan Public Transit Ridership:

Move Sullivan 2026	Average Daily Ridership	Monthly Ridership	Monthly Paratransit
January	488 (19 days)	9,266	284
February	469 (19 days)	8,917	298
March	541 (22 days)	11,893	385
1st Quarter Totals		30,076	967
April	517 (22 days)	11,374	356
May	563 (20 days)	11,266	373
June	556 (22 days)	12,242	415
2nd Quarter Totals		34,882	1,144
July			
August			
September			
3rd Quarter Totals			
October			
November			
December			
4th Quarter Totals			
Annual Totals			

Community Assistance Center (CAC)

- ✓ Through our partnership with the Hudson Valley Food Bank, we average 20 food pantries who attend our thrice monthly food distributions at the Transportation building.
- ✓ Support HV Food Bank monthly mobile pantry efforts in town of Freemont.
- ✓ The team continues to provide referral and assistance to callers looking information and/or resources.
- ✓ The CAC has seen an increase in requests for food assistance deliveries as well as connections to community resources.