



# Sullivan County

## Health & Human Services

### Meeting Agenda - Final

100 North Street  
Monticello, NY 12701

Chairman Nicholas Salomone Jr.  
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Committee Member Joseph Perrello  
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**Thursday, April 13, 2023**

**10:30 AM**

**Government Center**

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#### Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

#### Roll Call

#### Comments:

#### Reports:

1. Division of Health and Human Services  
Monthly Report  
April 2023

[ID-5472](#)

**Attachments:** [2023-04 HHS Monthly Report.pdf](#)

#### Discussion: None

#### Public Comment

#### Resolutions:

1. TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT RENEWALS WITH AUTHORIZED NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS: G & D SPEECH AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PINE BUSH SCHOOL SPECIAL PROGRAMS, FIELD OF DREAMS PRESCHOOL, GINA PUGLIESE AND LEARNING TOGETHER, INC.

[ID-5346](#)

**Attachments:** [2022-2023 Authorized NYS Education Department service providers \(3\)](#)

2. TO MODIFY RESOLUTIONS #394-21 AND #503-22 TO MOVE THE FELLOWSHIP GRANT FROM HRI GRANT #6463 TO ITS OWN HRI GRANT NUMBER #7229

[ID-5399](#)

3. TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO APPROVE NEW PRE-K CONTRACT FOR LIBERTY AND FALLSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS [ID-5401](#)  
  
**Attachments:** [2021-2022 Authorized NYS Education Department Service Providers - UPDATED - 012022](#)
4. TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION AGREEMENT TO CHANGE LEAH PADAWER’S BUSINESS NAME TO OHR GANUZ, INC. [ID-5407](#)
5. TO AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES TO APPLY FOR AND IF AWARDED ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HEALTH RESEARCH INCORPORATED (HRI/NYSDOH) TO ACCEPT A FUNDING ALLOCATION AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE [ID-5415](#)
6. RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AMEND RESOLUTION 331-20 (INDIGENT BURIAL PROGRAM) [ID-5419](#)
7. TO AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES, VICTIM SERVICES AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER [ID-5462](#)
8. TO AUTHORIZE THE MODIFICATION OF THE OF WARMING CENTERS RESOLUTION NUMBER 328-22 ADOPTED AUGUST 18, 2022 [ID-5463](#)

**Adjourn**



# Sullivan County

## Legislative Memorandum

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**File #:** ID-5472

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**Sullivan County Division of Health and Human Services -- Monthly Report – April 2023**

**Roadmap to Better Health Implementation**

April 2023 Robert Wood Johnson (RWJF) Ranking: **60<sup>th</sup>** (of 62)

August 2022 U.S. News and World Report Ranking: 58<sup>th</sup>

January 2023 Child & Family Well-being in NYS Ranking: 54<sup>th</sup>

- **Sullivan County Community Assistance Center Hotline: 845-807-0925**
- **Sullivan County Substance Use Help Hopeline: 866-832-5575**

**National Suicide Hotline: 988**  
**Hope Not Handcuffs: 833-428-HOPE**

Strategy	Update on Activities Supporting the Strategy	Key Performance Indicators Positive Trend = <b>GREEN</b> , Negative = <b>RED</b>	
<b>Ease Access to Care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Unite Us:</b> Resolution requesting authority to enter into contract included this month’s agenda (by ITS)</li> <li>• <b>Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment Access:</b> Astor to transition onsite for pediatric MH services by Sept. Clinic access remains limited for adult MH patients due to staff shortage.</li> <li>• <b>Crisis Mental Health Response:</b> Developing expanded peer supports and crisis response with available funds based on RFP responses received this past summer.</li> <li>• <b>Garnet:</b> Expanded Behavioral Health Unit services (moving from 10 to 18 beds) as of April 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> </ul>	<i>Will establish monthly performance indicators for this strategy when referral system is up and running.</i>	
<b>End the Opioid Crisis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Increasing MOUD services:</b> County Jail has 18 persons on medication assisted therapy and has offered aftercare services upon release – 17 of 18 accepted. Also receiving support from peer volunteers.</li> <li>• <b>Healing Communities Study</b> Planning meetings ongoing, second awareness campaign, focused on Medication for Opiate Use Disorder (MOUD) is underway</li> <li>• <b>Drug Task Force</b> Good attendance at March public meeting. HIDTA application submitted</li> <li>• <b>Narcan Training:</b> 2 events held for 15 persons trained.</li> </ul>	Inpatient SUD Beds in-County	109
		Inpatient SUD Beds in M’town, Ellenville & PJ	105
		Inpatient MH Beds at Garnet Health-Catskills	18
		Settlement Funds Obligated to Date	\$113,015
<b>Enhance Our Community</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Housing Grants:</b> Continuing development of Emergency Housing grant request w/HONOR EHG, architectural study complete, focus currently on site planning, construction and operational budgets.</li> </ul>	Homeless Census	124
<b>Encourage Healthy Behavior</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Promoting Maternal Child Health services:</b> The love between a woman and her child (or family and child), letter to the community in SC Democrat on the love PHS has for the community with services we offer. We are covering STI prevention, tick-borne illness prevention, rabies prevention, MCH, Narcan, etc.</li> </ul>		

**Staffing Update:**

Position Title & No.	Notes (as of Mar. 31)		
<b>Community Svcs (10 Positions Vacant, 47 Authorized, 20.83% Vacant)</b>		<b>Social Services (22 Positions Vacant, 176 Authorized, 12.50% Vacancy Rate)</b>	
Account Clerk/Database, #3360	Approved to fill	Contract Monitor, #3182	Posted
Clinical Program Manager, #3457	Posted	Family Services Investigator, #309	CSEU – intend to restructure
CS Coordinator, #3506, #3540	Posted	Head Social Welfare Examiner #3371	TA – pending test results
Senior Account Clerk, #2820	Approved to fill	Account Clerk/Database, #3050	Records - posted
Staff Social Worker I, #130, #2267, #2320, #3288, #3308	Posted	Caseworker, #514, #645, #1299, #2420, #2949, #3100, Caseworker (PT), #3516	Services – posted
<b>Public Health (15 Positions Vacant, 80 Authorized, 18.75% Vacant)</b>		Senior Account Clerk, #3557	Child and Adult Services
Director of Patient Services, #3158	Posted	Social Welfare Examiner, #448, #2421, #1610	Temporary Assistance Unit

Bilingual Outreach Worker, #1972	Posted, advertising	Examiner (Bilingual Spanish), #3604	Interviews completed
Community Health Nurse #2333, #3420	Posted, no applicants	Case Supervisor #2357, #196	Child & Adult Services - intvwing
Licensed Practical Nurse, #3476	Posted	Senior Caseworker #178, #387	Child Services - interviewing
Public Health Nurse per diem #2330	Posted	Senior AC/DB #257	Temporary Assistance Unit
Physical Therapist, #3555	2023 Budget	Housing Coordinator #3169	New Position
Registered Nurse, CHHA, #849, #2373	Posted		
Principal Account Clerk, #3456	Posted		
Public Health Nurse, #747, #3419	Posted, interviewing		
Fiscal Analyst, #3551	Posted		
Home Health Aide, #383	Posted		
Senior Account Clerk #1952	Posted, no applicants		



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at Sunset Lake Rehab

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For more information: (845) 292-8640, <https://sullivanyny.us/Departments/Adultcarecenter>

Care Center at Sunset Lake Key Statistics – all data as of February 28, 2023			
Monthly Total Expenses to Date	Monthly Cash Receipts	Census	Meals Prepared for Residents
\$638,082	\$890,705.19	99	8394
Admissions / Discharges	Total Day Care Visits	Total OT treatments	Total PT treatments
15/11	0	524	565

**Administration & Staffing**

- Staffing: hires from Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> – Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023: 32, Retained: 29. We have 5 CNA starting between March 10 and March 28. We continue to have interviews and hire staff as needed for all departments, both clinical and non-clinical
- Our COVID outbreak that we have been fighting since late December/ early January for units 3 and 4 is now behind us though unit 2 is now in outbreak, the unit is closed at this time. We had a survey from the Epidemiologist via Face time and there were no noted concerns regarding infection control procedures during the survey at that time. We continue to be in touch with Public Health/Epidemiology.
- We are planning to attend the job fair at Resorts World Catskills in May.
- Our new Director of Rehab is set to start on 3/13/2023, she is also a Speech/Language Pathologist.
- Plan of Correction is completed from survey and approved, we continue to wait for the final generator switch repair, but the rest of the needed items are complete with all documentation submitted to the NYS Department of Health.



**Department of Community Services**

For more information: (845) 292-8770, <https://sullivanyny.us/Departments/CommunityServices>

**National Suicide Hotline: 988**

**Youth Mental Health Assistance (Text4Teens): (845)637-9486**

**Mobile Mental Health: (800) 710-7083**

**Children’s Mobile Mental Health: (845) 397-1345**

**Care Management:** The care management unit continues to actively engage clients for both of the Health Home agencies and the Health and Recovery Plan (HARP) Services which are Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care Health Plans. As of the end of February 2023, there are six active Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) orders and two persons on enhanced services.

**Adult & Children’s SPOA:**

- On February 9, 2023, the Adult SPOA Committee met over the phone with three new cases reviewed and 36 previous cases.
- There are 8 people on the list for Family Care. At this time there are no openings.
- Supportive housing provided by RSS: 117 (+0) beds filled, 22 (+0) open beds, 401 (+0) waitlisted.
- Coordination of referrals and ongoing collaboration with service providers continue. Clients were recommended for/linked to various services, including: behavioral health treatment providers, RSS housing (apartment program and community residences), Access: Supported Housing, Sullivan PROS Program, OFA, APS, Action Toward Independence, Independent Living, Inc., and Care Management services.
- Children’s SPOA Committee – The February 23, 2023 meeting met over the phone and went over one (1) new referral and 11 previous referrals

**Behavioral Health Clinic (Mental Health and Substance Abuse):**

- High Risk Clients: In February there were 279 clients on the rolls with 205 of those clients were on the roster for high risk census.
- The Overdose Prevention CQI Project: Community Services assists in providing Naloxone to clients and DOH has provided a Community Calendar of free Naloxone Trainings which are held several times a week.

**Local Government Unit:**

- Staff retention and recruitment –restructured our all staff meeting to provide clear communication and support, working with managers to aide persons with burnout, working on media campaign to recruit, professionalizing the field by recruiting bachelor level persons – to train and maintain
- Access to Services – limited due to staff shortage but doing triage for hospital discharges and court referrals – predominately seeing persons for medication management, looking at overall system of care in County – United Sullivan. Looking at a possible Kiosk Option.
- Lexington is onsite and transfer of patients is complete, currently working with Astor regarding bringing them onsite and transferring of patients.
- Working with our local 911 and Dutchess 988 regarding collaboration and training for 911 dispatchers and referral information.
- Healing Communities Study moving forward have brought on a Program Planner, and looking to contract with a DATA entity. Have drafted IPA’s awaiting approval from Columbia prior to ordering some items to conduct plan strategies. Communications Campaign #2 (MOUD Awareness) launched on 3/6/2023.
- Behavioral Health planning for the development of the Local Services Plan for Mental Hygiene.
- Continued processing of 2023 contracts for continued service delivery.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR: Feb 1, 2023 - Feb 28 ,2023						
Prepared by : Frances Cole						
PROGRAM	ON ROLLS:	ADMISSIONS	DISCHARGES	CLIENTS		
	2/1/2023			ON ROLL:	CLIENTS	UNITS OF
				2/28/2023	SERVED	SERVICE
SC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC ADULT	158	10	13	155	168	397
SC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC CHILD	44	4	5	43	48	59
SC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC FORENSIC	36	4	4	36	40	89
SC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC MICA	38	1	4	35	39	Included In Clinic Adult
SC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC MAT	10	0	0	10	10	Included In Clinic Adult
<b>TOTAL MENTAL HEALTH</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>545</b>
SC CARE MANAGEMENT	52	0	0	52	52	796
SC HEALTH HOME - ADULT	52	0	4	48	52	141
SC HEALTH HOME - KENDRA, AOT and HH+	8	0	0	8	8	22
SC HEALTH HOME - CHILD	12	1	0	13	13	133
SC CM CCSI					0	0
<b>TOTAL HEALTH HOME CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>1,092</b>
SC SPOA - Adult	37			37	37	330
SC SPOA - Child	18			18	18	146
<b>TOTAL SPOA</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>476</b>
	<b># of calls</b>	<b>#of ph interv</b>	<b>Outreaches</b>	<b>Hosp Ref</b>	<b>Admits</b>	
MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH	306	103	15	5	1	



### **Social Services:**

- As of 3/1/23 the following amounts have been disbursed under ERAP:
  - Rental arrears payments- 752 benefits, \$ 5,884,049.19 (Average payment of \$ 7,824.53)
  - Prospective rent payments- 569 benefits, \$ 1,743,129.91 (Average payment of \$ 3,063.50)
  - Amounts disbursed continue to increase monthly. The ERAP application officially closed on January 20, 2023. Applications submitted before 12/15/22 are being paid at this point.
- As of 3/1/2023, there has been no change in disbursements under the Landlord Rental Assistance Program (LRAP).
- A second emergency HEAP benefit was offered as of 2/27/23. A third (emergency only) HEAP benefit will be available through 4/28/23.
- Warming centers in Liberty and Monticello continue to operate 7 days a week.
- With state funding, the Temporary Assistance Unit started a Rental Supplement Program for individuals that are homeless or in fear of losing their housing. The RSP assists in paying rent for those who have income but are below 30 % of the Area Median Income (AMI). The program will allow up to 50% of the AMI if other criteria are met. Details can be obtained through the Department of Social Services.
  - Applications received as of 3/2/2023: 78
  - Approved: 38 households, 25 applications pending
  - Amount disbursed: \$95,651.24 (\$50,078.78 to help with rental arrears, \$35,022.46 in prospective rent)
  - We were able to amend the program to add payments for security deposits. \$10,550.00 in security deposits were disbursed as of 3/2/23.

**Medicaid:** Due to the Family First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) and COVID 19 Public Health Emergency, all active Medicaid recipients were given continuous Medicaid coverage. This meant that no person covered under Medicaid or its umbrella of services would be discontinued for any reason other than by request, relocation or death for the duration of the Public Health Emergency. The Federal Public Health Emergency officially ends on May 1, 2023.

- As of July 1, 2023, Medicaid programs will return to pre-pandemic rules.
- Active Medicaid recipients with an ending authorization date of June 30<sup>th</sup> will receive their recertification packets in April. This is action will be the first of “the unwinding” for person enrolled in Medicaid by DSS. Recertification reviews will resume on a monthly basis.
- Chronic Care (Nursing Home Medicaid) recertifications are sent to the Nursing Homes directly and completed by the clients’ Case Manager.

The Federal Poverty level was increased effective 1/1/2023 to \$2500/month for a family of 4, \$1215/month for singles.

- Decreases excess income and reduces spend downs
- Expands eligibility to more of our community that would have not been income and/or resource eligible prior to the increase.
- This change will possibly cause an increase in demand for Medical services such as Medicaid transportation, home health aides, registered nurses, medical and mental health facilities that accept Medicaid and its managed care plans.

**SNAP:** The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Emergency Allotment provided throughout the pandemic ended in February, due to federal rules.

- These temporary benefits have provided an extra payment each month to ensure all SNAP households received at least the maximum monthly benefit.
- Beginning in March, only regular monthly SNAP benefits will be issued to all eligible households.
- Most households do not need to do anything. However, if a household has a loss of income or an increase in housing costs, childcare fees, or child support payments since their last recertification, they should report those changes to Social Services.
- Also, they should report any medical expenses over \$35/month (if they are age 60 or older or disabled). These changes may result in an increase in their normal monthly SNAP benefit.

**Public Assistance Case Trends** (next page)



Public Assistance Cases (as of 2-28-2023)				
TANF	Safety Net	Food Stamps	Medicaid	Medicaid/SSI
192 (-6)	220 (-8)	5982 (+68)	4170 (+8)	2477 (-4)
Homelessness Snapshot (as of 2-28-2023)				
Code Blue	Quarantined	Adults / Children	Sex Offenders	Total Homeless
16	0	92/42	14	134



Fraud Investigations (as of February 28, 2023)						
Collections	Cases Active	Cases Referred	Completed	Arrests	Pending arrests	Burials
\$12,878.26 (-7,587.42)	186 (+7)	41 (0)	34 (-5)	4 (+3)	8 (-2)	14 approved (-7) \$23,410 costs (-\$12,480.00)
Child Support Enforcement Cases (as of February 28, 2023)						
Collections	Petitions Filed	Paternity Establishments	Total Cases			
\$533,741 (-20,933)	35 (-1)	11 (-3)	3,049 (-11)			

Adult Protective Services				
	Personal Care Aide Cases	Protective Services Cases	Open Guardianships	Neglect/Abuse Referrals
2022 YTD	17 open, 9 closed, 30 avg.	279 open, 303 closed, 174 avg.	38	79
2023 YTD	3/3/31	39/45/141	32	7
FEB 2023	2/3/30	24/18/144	-3	4

FOSTER CARE STATISTICS				CHILD PROTECTIVE STATISTICS		
	FEB 2023	Trend	Goal	2022	YTD 23	FEB 23
Kinship%	7%		20%	# New Reports	1480	257
Congregate Care%	21%		16%	# Indicated Reports	105	13
Total in Care	100		<100	Physical abuse	6	0
RTF	0			Emotional abuse	1	0
Diagnostic	3			Sexual abuse	7	3
RTC	11			Neglect	52	7
Group Home	3			Domestic violence	3	0
Therapeutic Foster Home	29			Educational neglect	20	0
Regular Foster Home	42			Substance abuse	14	3
Kinship	7			# Unfounded Reports	748	107
Other	5			# Court Ordered 1034s	46	4
Freed for Adoption	37			PREVENTIVE SERVICES STATISTICS		
Certified Homes	60		5x# in care	NEW REFERRALS	13	
Newly Certified Homes	0			TOTAL CASES	122	
Number of Closed Homes	1					
New Kinship Homes	0					
Pending Certification	5					
Total Certified Beds	158		5x# in care			





**Public Health**  
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**Public Health Department**

For more information on our report: (845) 292-5910, <https://sullivanyny.us/Departments/PublicHealth>

CDC COVID INFO: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html)

NYS Coronavirus Hotline: 1-888-364-3065

Sullivan County Public Health COVID Info Line: 845-513-2268

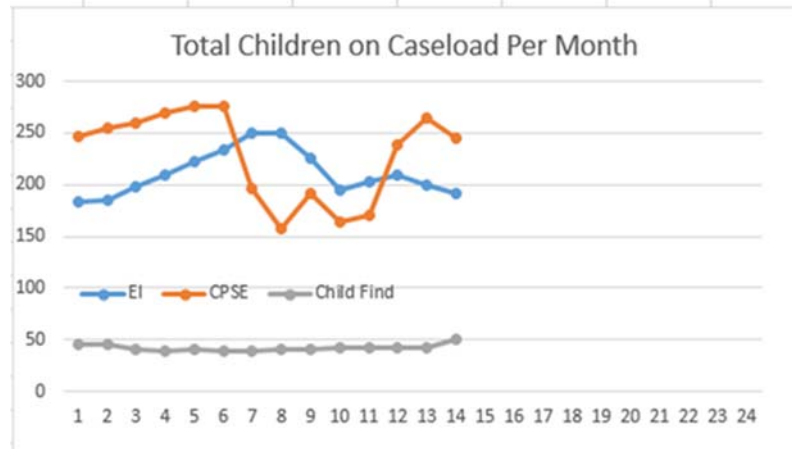
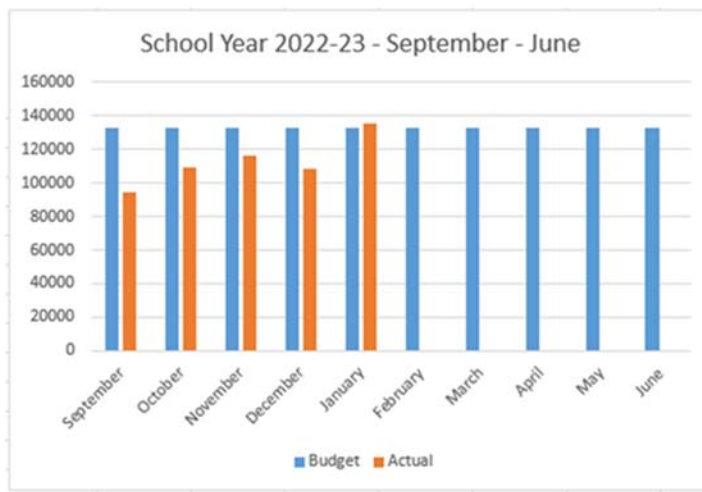
**Director's Comments:**

- We kicked off Valentine's Day with a Love letter to our community, Maternal Child Outreach, and the resurgence of the Sullivan County STI Coalition.
- Partnered with Sullivan 180 to Maternal Child Health provider (OB-Gyn/Peds) appreciation Mixer.
- Rural Health Network partnered with Sullivan 180 to produce 2023 Community Resource Guide.
- Presentations from Maternal Child Health (MCH), Healthy Families (HF), and EI to DSS staff explaining services we offer and how we can best partner.
- DOH returned for CHHA follow up survey and it went quite smoothly – no unresolved issues!
- Public Health and DOH Environmental Office attended Jewish Camp Owner and Operators meeting in Secaucus, NJ.
- Outreach continued to Orthodox Community to bridge the gap in needed immunizations (polio, measles, pertussis) while also raising awareness on other common summer concerns, such as tick-borne diseases.

**Early Care Program:**

- As is typical, Early Intervention (EI) enrollments dropped in February. This also accounts for January being exceedingly high due to receiving 12 referrals in one day.
- Early Care is down 9 referrals from 2022. School districts are beginning their CPSE meetings earlier this year so census will decrease as children are declassified into kindergarten and other less restrictive environments.
- EI/Preschool/MCH/Healthy Families presented to DSS staff on how, when and why to refer to our programs.
- Coordinator attended 4-county EI/School-age meeting to discuss transportation/billing and 29 CPSE meetings in February 2022.

2023	Total Claimed	Total Paid
School-Age	\$ 20,959.31	\$ 39,943.37
Service Coordination	\$ 1,235.16	\$ 490.68



**Health Education/Rural Health Network/Injury Prevention/Narcan Training/Other:**

- Outreach: Assistance provided social media posts, flyers and events, Bold Gold Radio, PHS updates, prepared Narcan kits, Heart Disease fact gathering for social media posts, creation of Poster Contest, HIV education, Table at HIV event at Walmart, posted social media memes on masking and immunizations, March Madness staff campaign, invitation for MCH providers mixer
- Attended: Foundations of Population Science mini course, Health Coalition meeting & debrief, STI Collaborative Meeting, Corporate Compliance, “Effective Grant Seeking Strategies to Build Impactful Programs”, Rural Health Network Meeting, Public Health Week Planning
- Facilitated: CHHA history presentation for staff meeting, Older Adults & Mental Health Meeting, orientation for new staff, RHN meeting with Greene County, HITCH cancer screening services meeting for Health Fest, Compilation of Health Fest contact information
- 1 cribs-for-kids educational session in January
- 9 Car Seat installations/education and 1 review.

**Healthy Families:**

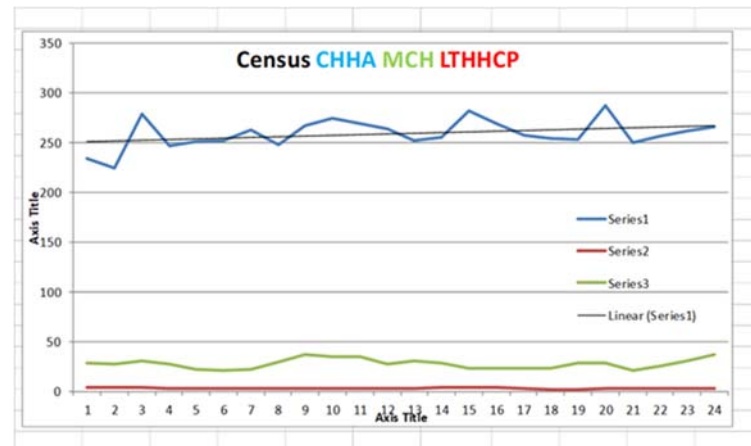
- Healthy Families has 52 Enrolled families as of February 2023. Family Support Workers (FSWs) have 77 completed home visits for the month.
- Healthy Families has received 6 referrals. We have 32 screens pending assessment.
- In February we completed our quarterly home visit observations.
- On February 6, 2023 HF staff from Putman County came to shadow HF of Sullivan as they are a brand-new program.
- PM, PS, and Family Assessment Worker had meetings with PCANY (Prevent Child Abuse New York) Trainers for our upcoming FRS/FAW Site Visit in March.
- PM and PS started attending Accreditation meetings for the upcoming Healthy Families New York statewide accreditation.

Healthy Families Dashboard	Total 9/21-8/22	February 2023	Total YTD 9/1/22-2/28/23
# FSS/FSWs (FTEs)	6	6	6
Referrals received	235	6	97
Referrals pending	690	32	32
Discharges	36	4	14
Assessments completed	48	6	24
Enrolled families @ end of month	44	52	52
# Home visits	1124	77	451
Cribs	24	1	16

**Patient Services: Certified Home Health Agency/CHHA Census 2023**

- The average daily census increased from 190.7 to 209.7 with total patient days 5872. We had 278 CHHA specific patients, 3 LTHHCP, and 41 MCH with a grand total of 322 patients on caseload throughout the month.
- **MCH** – 41 patients-an increase from 32 in January

- 27 TOTAL REFERRALS
  - 11 - CPS/DFS – 1 NTUC due to miscarriage; 1 mother no skilled need- infant opened to care
  - 1 – WCMC - NTUC parent refused care
  - 7- Garnet Orange – 4 refused care (mother and baby x2)
  - 3 - Healthy Families
  - 2 - SCPHS Epidemiology
  - 2 – Early Intervention
  - 1 – Sun River Health
- 22 used the new form; 17 referred to Healthy Families; 3 NB Screens; 6 referred to MSW; 2 referred to MISN; 1 referred to Early Intervention



**Epidemiology and Emergency Planning:**

- Polio clinics and outreach are being planned in coordination with Catskills Hatzalah and the NYSDOH. Routine immunization clinics @ PHS continued.
- Epidemiology staff investigated 118 cases of communicable diseases, STI, and Rabies. (not including Lyme [105] or Covid [448]). We had the first active TB case in several years and are monitoring close contacts.

Rabies related incidents*/needing treatment	STI	Tuberculosis	Lead Poisoning (investigated/total)	Covid Cases
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 investigations, 1 tested - (17 dogs, 6 cat, 1 bird)</li> <li>• 0 animals were (+) for rabies.</li> <li>• 1 person treated.</li> </ul>	18/18	1/1	5/91	448 new cases Hospitalizations remain low

\*Note: Working to update Rabies policy and procedure; working with other Partial service health departments to draft Sanitary Code

**Medical Reserve Corps (MRC):**

- 2 additional volunteers registered through ServNY.
- Provisional approval of the Operational Readiness award
- MRC Coordinator working with regional Coordinators to generate ideas for Volunteers to assist throughout community events.
- Interested in Joining? Go to [www.health.ny.gov/ServNY](http://www.health.ny.gov/ServNY)
- Any issues or questions, email: [VolunteerMRC@sullivanny.us](mailto:VolunteerMRC@sullivanny.us)

**Training and Quality Improvement:** A meeting was held to discuss the development of a sanitary code for Sullivan County. The group identified several key areas of focus for future planning and discussions, including:

- Education and Awareness: There is a need to raise awareness among the public about the importance of maintaining good sanitation practices. The attendees discussed ways to disseminate information about best practices for environmental sanitation through targeted campaigns, workshops, and training programs.
- Monitoring and Enforcement: The group recognized the need to monitor and enforce the sanitary code regulations effectively. The attendees discussed ways to enhance the capacity of regulatory bodies to monitor and implement the code.

- Collaboration and Partnerships: The attendees emphasized the need for collaboration and partnerships among relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, public health professionals, community-based organizations, and private sector players. The group discussed ways to foster partnerships and collaboration among these stakeholders to enhance the effectiveness of the sanitary code strategy.
- The attendees developed an action plan for implementing the sanitary code strategy. The action plan included the following key activities:
  - Conduct a needs assessment to identify gaps in the current sanitary code regulations.
  - Develop targeted awareness campaigns and training programs for the public and relevant stakeholders.
  - Strengthen the capacity of regulatory bodies to monitor and enforce sanitary code regulations.
  - Foster collaboration and partnerships among relevant stakeholders to enhance the effectiveness of the sanitary code strategy.
- Quality Improvement Initiatives: Developed a comprehensive Preschool Provider Manual for all contracted providers that will be presented at the providers training on 3/7/23.



# Sullivan County

## Legislative Memorandum

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**Narrative of Resolution:**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH & FAMILY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT RENEWALS WITH AUTHORIZED NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS: G & D SPEECH AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PINE BUSH SCHOOL SPECIAL PROGRAMS, FIELD OF DREAMS PRESCHOOL, GINA PUGLIESE AND LEARNING TOGETHER, INC.**

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** \$1,526,650

**Are funds already budgeted?** Yes

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** Once the contract is signed, PHS will comply with the county procurement policy and procedures regarding the purposes & needs of this contract.

**WHEREAS,** Sullivan County provides *mandated* Early Intervention and Developmental Preschool Educational Services to eligible children from Sullivan County and is *mandated* to pay for such services at State-approved rates, and

**WHEREAS,** Sullivan County needs to authorize contract renewals with authorized New York State Education Department Pre-school Service Providers for the period beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026 at State-approved rates, and

**WHEREAS,** the names and addresses of the authorized New York State Education Department Service Providers are listed on the attached list,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the County Manager be and is hereby authorized to execute contract renewals with the authorized New York State Education Department Service Providers on the attached list for the period beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the form of such contracts be approved by the Sullivan County Department of Law

## Authorized NYS Education Department service providers:

\*\*Includes Pre-School Program Contracts

### Field of Dreams III - Special Education Program

Deirdre J. Post - Owner  
181 Guinea Hill Road  
Slate Hill, NY 10973  
Services: Evals, SEIT, Program  
Phone - 845-355-1872  
Fax - 845-355-4665  
[FOD3.preschool@yahoo.com](mailto:FOD3.preschool@yahoo.com)  
Expires - June 30, 2023

### Gelsomino and Davis Speech and Occupational Therapy

(DBA - G & D Speech and Occupational Therapy)  
Gelardina Gelsomino – SLP  
Elizabeth Anne Davis - OTR  
[edavis.otr@gmail.com](mailto:edavis.otr@gmail.com)  
[slp20000@yahoo.com](mailto:slp20000@yahoo.com)  
6113 State Route 55  
Liberty, NY 12754  
845-701-0008  
Expires: June 30, 2023

### Learning Together, Inc.

Kathy and Bob Masloski  
40 Park Lane  
Highland, NY 12528  
**Sullivan County using the location at:**  
**228 Ward Street**  
**Montgomery, NY 12549**  
845-883-5151  
[kmasloski@learningtogetherinc.com](mailto:kmasloski@learningtogetherinc.com)  
Expires - June 30, 2023

### Pine Bush Central School

Special Programs  
PO Box 700  
Pine Bush, NY 12566  
Services: ST and OT  
Michael Pacella,  
Assistant. Superintendent  
744-2031  
[mpacella@pinebushschools.org](mailto:mpacella@pinebushschools.org)  
Expires: June 30, 2023

### Gina Pugliese

66 New Street  
PO Box 485  
Pine Bush, NY 12566  
Phone - 845-355-1872  
DBA: Gina Pugliese Speech Language Pathologist P.C.  
Phone: 914-850-5301  
[ginamariepug5@gmail.com](mailto:ginamariepug5@gmail.com)  
Expires - June 30, 2023

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**Authorized NYS Education Department service providers:**

**\*\*Includes Pre-School Program Contracts**





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File #: ID-5399

Agenda Date: 4/13/2023

Agenda #: 2.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO MODIFY RESOLUTIONS #394-21 AND #503-22 TO MOVE THE FELLOWSHIP GRANT FROM HRI GRANT #6463 TO ITS OWN HRI GRANT NUMBER #7229**

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** 0 (costs to be paid by HRI directly to grant administrator)

**Are funds already budgeted?** Choose an item.

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:**

**WHEREAS**, New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) through the Health Research Inc. has made funding available to support enhanced detection, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19 through the Covid-19 ELC grant #6463-1, which Sullivan County Public Health entered into in July of 2020 through Resolution # 301-20; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution # 394-21 added the Fellowship Program with SUNY Sullivan administering the program and Resolution # 503-22 requested that PCG be named as administrator of this grant instead of SUNY Sullivan and the term be extended to end June 30, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Department of Health and Health Research Incorporated have given the Fellowship Program its own HRI grant number - #7229; and

**WHEREAS**, we request resolutions # 462-22 and #503-22 be modified to show the Fellowship Grant as a separate grant under HRI #7229; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager, Chairman of the County Legislature, and / or their authorized representative (*as required by the funding source*) to execute any and all necessary documents to authorize HRI Grant # 7229 for the Fellowship grant and to approve the modifications - when they are sent - to change PCG to administer the Public Health Fellowship Program in collaboration with SCPHS and extend term end date to June 30, 2024; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the funding be terminated, the County shall not be obligated to continue any action undertaken by the use of this funding.



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**File #:** ID-5401

**Agenda Date:** 4/13/2023

**Agenda #:** 3.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO APPROVE NEW PRE-K CONTRACT FOR LIBERTY AND FALLSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution: : \$160,000 annually \$80,000 each annually**

**Are funds already budgeted? No**

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** : Once the contract is signed, PHS will comply with the county procurement policy and procedures regarding the purposes & needs of this contract.

**WHEREAS,** Sullivan County provides *mandated* Early Intervention and Developmental Preschool Educational Services to eligible children from Sullivan County and is *mandated* to pay for such services as State-approved rates, and

**WHEREAS,** Sullivan County needs to authorize contracts with authorized New York State Education Department Pre-School Service Providers for the period beginning March 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026 at State-approved rates, and

**WHEREAS,** the names and addresses of the authorized New York State Education Department Service Providers are on the attached list,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the County Manager be and is hereby authorized to execute contracts with the authorized New York State Education Department Service Providers on the attached list for the period beginning July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 at NYS approved rates, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the form of such contracts be approved by the Sullivan County Department of Law



## Authorized NYS Education Department service providers:

\*\*Includes Pre-School Program Contracts

### **Fallsburg Central School**

#### **District**

PO Box 123

Brickman Road

Fallsburg, NY 12733

Phone : 845-434-6800 x 1273

Contact: Leighanne Russel

[lrussell@fallsburgcsd.net](mailto:lrussell@fallsburgcsd.net)

### **Liberty Central School**

#### **District**

145 Buckley Street

Liberty, NY 12754

Phone: 845-292-5400 x 2027

(Buday)

Deborah DeGraw, Director of  
Student Services

Jill Buday, CPSE Chari

[ddegrow@libertyk12.org](mailto:ddegrow@libertyk12.org)

[jbuday@libertyk12.org](mailto:jbuday@libertyk12.org)



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**File #:** ID-5407

**Agenda Date:** 4/13/2023

**Agenda #:** 4.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION AGREEMENT TO CHANGE LEAH PADAWER’S BUSINESS NAME TO OHR GANUZ, INC.**

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** no addition cost

**Are funds already budgeted?** Choose an item.

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:**

**WHEREAS**, Sullivan County provides *mandated* Early Intervention and Developmental Preschool Educational Services to eligible children from Sullivan County and is *mandated* to pay for such services as State-approved rates, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution # 60-22 authorized contracts with authorized New York State Education Department Pre-school Service Providers for the period beginning July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 at State-approved rates, including the contract for Leah Padawer; and

**WHEREAS**, Leah Padawer has since incorporated and her new business name is OHR Ganuz, Inc.; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Manager be and is hereby authorized to execute a modified agreement to change the business name from Leah Padawer to OHR Ganuz, Inc. for the period beginning July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025 at NYS approved rates, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the form of such contracts be approved by the Sullivan County Department of Law

**OHR GANUZ, Inc.**

**(previously dba) Padawer, Leah**

164 Laurel Park Road

Fallsburg, NY 12733

Services: Speech Therapy

436-9566/cell - 665-6913

[padawerleah@gmail.com](mailto:padawerleah@gmail.com) <<mailto:padawerleah@gmail.com>>

[Expires - June 30, 2025](#)





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**File #:** ID-5415

**Agenda Date:** 4/13/2023

**Agenda #:** 5.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**INTRODUCED BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES TO APPLY FOR AND IF AWARDED ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HEALTH RESEARCH INCORPORATED (HRI/NYSDOH) TO ACCEPT A FUNDING ALLOCATION AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE**

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** \$148,079 annually for five years

**Are funds already budgeted?** No

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** Once the contract is signed, PHS will comply with the county procurement policy and procedures regarding the purposes & needs of this contract.

**WHEREAS,** Health Research, Inc./New York State Department of Health (HRI/NYSDOH) will be awarding a grant to Local Health Departments (LHD) sponsored by a Center Disease Control (CDC) cooperative agreement to Strengthen the Public Health Workforce, CFDA# 93.967; and

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of the HRI grant is to assist Local Health Departments with Federal Grant Funding To Strengthen Public Health Workforce and Foundation Capabilities; and

**WHEREAS,** the HRI/NYSDOH award will provide to \$148,079 per year for a five-year period December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2027; and

**WHEREAS,** Grant funds may be used to strengthen the public health workforce through hiring of public health positions, supporting retention of current staff, making upgrades to the workplace to increase employee satisfaction, providing public health training, and providing public health support services to the public health department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager, Chairman of the County Legislature, and / or their authorized representative to execute any and all necessary documents to apply for and, if awarded, enter into this contract to accept the funding of \$148,079 per year for a five-year period from December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2027 To Strengthen Public Health Workforce and Foundation Capabilities; and



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager, and / or Chairman of the County Legislature to accept the award, and enter into an award agreement or contract to administer the funding secured, in such form as the County Attorney shall approve; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the funding be terminated, the County shall not be obligated to continue any action undertaken by the use of this funding.



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**File #:** ID-5419

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**Narrative of Resolution:**

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AMEND RESOLUTION 331-20 (INDIGENT BURIAL PROGRAM)

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** \$500.00 per event

**Are funds already budgeted?** Yes

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** N/A

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services conducted a review with funeral homes and interested parties to consider amending the Indigent Burial Program policy regarding crematory costs by increasing the permitted crematory fee; and

**WHEREAS**, the cremation rate for a direct cremation is \$1,200 and the permitted crematory fee is up to \$375; and

**WHEREAS**, typical crematory fees have gradually increased to \$500; and

**WHEREAS**, increased crematory fees have been absorbed by individual funeral homes; and

**WHEREAS**, the funeral homes have requested that the permitted crematory fee under the Indigent Burial Program policy be increased from up to \$375 to up to \$500.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Resolution 331-20 is hereby amended to include an increased rate for a crematory fee as described above; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the actual crematory fee up to \$500 may be reimbursed, to be effective April 1, 2023.



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**Agenda #:** 7.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**INTRODUCED BY THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES, VICTIM SERVICES AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Sullivan, through the Department of Social Services is in the process of developing a fully functioning Child Advocacy Center (CAC) and requires certain professionals to assist in the provision of Child Protective Services (CPS) related services for Sullivan County youth and families; and

**WHEREAS**, the core mission of the CAC multidisciplinary team is to provide protection to the children in our community from crimes, reduce trauma and promote healing to children and their families, CAC provides a safe, child friendly setting where a coordinated response may be pursued in ways that are supportive and productive; and

**WHEREAS** in order to properly serve the citizens of Sullivan County and to ensure investigations are comprehensive and to maximize the likelihood of successful prosecutions and the level of services provided, the CAC requires collaboration between the Department of Social Services, District Attorney’s Office, law enforcement agencies, mental health agencies and victim services agencies; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Sullivan County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Manager to execute all agreements necessary between the Department of Social Services, District Attorney’s Office, law enforcement agencies, mental health agencies and victim services agencies for the provision of services to the Child Advocacy Center; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, these agreements shall be in effect May 1, 2023 and shall remain in effect until all parties agree to modify as necessary or three (3) years; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the form of said contracts will be approved by the Sullivan County Attorney’s Office.

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** 0

**Are funds already budgeted?** Yes

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** N/A



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**Agenda #:** 8.

**Narrative of Resolution:**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE THE MODIFICATION OF THE OF WARMING CENTERS RESOLUTION NUMBER 328-22 ADOPTED AUGUST 18, 2022**

**WHEREAS**, Resolution # 328-22 was approved by the Sullivan County Legislature on August 18, 2022, for the County to execute agreements between the County of Sullivan and vendors for the purposes of staffing the warming centers and for rental space for the warming centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Sullivan, through the Department of Social Services, coordinates the operations of the County’s Warming Centers during months of cold temperatures to provide a safe and warm space for residents in need; and

**WHEREAS**, a request for Proposal, R-22-18, was issued for the operation of the warming centers the Department of Social Services recommends that contracts be executed with the following proposers:

1. Village of Monticello at a not to exceed amount of \$30,000
2. Liberty United Methodist Church at a not to exceed amount of \$33,000
3. New Beginnings Community Worship Center, Inc. at a not to exceed amount of \$42,000
4. Federation for the Homeless at a not to exceed amount of \$47,000; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a desire to increase the contract to reflect the not-to-exceed amount for the New Beginnings Community Worship Center, Inc. contract to \$44,100 for the contract period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that, due to slightly higher than expected utilization in Liberty and slightly lower than expected utilization in Monticello, the County Legislature does hereby authorize the modification of said contracts to reflect an increase to the contract to reflect the not-to-exceed amount for the New Beginnings Community Worship Center, Inc. contract to \$44,100 for the contract period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 and a decrease in the contract with the Federation for the Homeless to \$45,400. These agreements may be extended on a yearly basis, for an additional four (4) years; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the form of said agreements will be approved by the Sullivan County Attorney’s Office.

**If Resolution requires expenditure of County Funds, provide the following information:**

**Amount to be authorized by Resolution:** 0

**Are funds already budgeted?** Yes

**Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:** Reviewed response of the request for proposal with Director of Purchasing and awarding contract to contractor for operations of warming centers.