



Sullivan County Planning and Community Resources Committee

100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

Meeting Agenda - Final

Chairman Matt McPhillips
Vice Chairman Terry Blosser-Bernardo
Committee Member Luis Alvarez
Committee Member Catherine Scott
Committee Member Joseph Perrello

Thursday, September 5, 2024

9:30 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Comments:

Reports:

- 1. Planning Division [ID-6739](#)
Attachments: [August 2024](#)
[July 24 AG report](#)
- 2. Division of Community Resources [ID-6720](#)
Attachments: [2024 PandCR September Report](#)

Presentation:

- 1. **Jeff Skelding, Friends of the Upper Delaware River on the Neversink Watershed Management Plan**

Public Comment

Resolutions:

- 1. TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER [ID-6716](#)
 293-24 ADOPTED ON JUNE 20, 2024.
Sponsors: Office for the Aging and Deoul

2. To seek \$100,000 in funding from Friends of the Upper Delaware to offset local costs for construction of the Neversink Crossing project in the Town of Fallsburg. [ID-6740](#)

There will be a presentation from Friends of the Upper Delaware to present the Neversink Watershed Management Plan.

3. To authorize the application for grant submission of a 2025-2028 AmeriCorps Seniors Retired Senior Volunteer (RSVP) grant application and to accept an award of funds if granted. [ID-6742](#)

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Adjourn



Sullivan County

Legislative Memorandum

100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

File #: ID-6739

Agenda Date: 9/5/2024

Agenda #: 1.



DIVISION OF PLANNING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

ACTIVITY REPORT August 2024

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I. PLANNING ACTIVITY

Land Use Planning & Technical Assistance:

- GML-239 Referrals

GML – 239 Referrals, July 2024					
Date Received	Date Requested	Project Name	Action Type	Referral ID #	Legislator
7/24/24	8/23/24	High Cor Church	Area Variance	BLO24-04	Salomone, Jr.
08/06/24	08/13/24	KL Enterprises	Site Plan Review	MAM24-02	Rajsz
08/09/24	09/09/24	Lebovits, LLC {Ahava}	Special Use Permit	LIV24-11	Alvarez
08/14/24	09/11/24	WSP Buddenhagen Rd.	Subdivision Review	CAL24-02	Scott
08/16/24	08/30/24	Cherry Hill Acquisitions	Site Plan Review	WOO24-06	Perrello

- Updated exemption agreements were sent to municipalities for renewal. To date, nine municipalities have signed and returned them.
- Working with Pace University to provide a training on land use law.
- Working with NYS DEC and the Sullivan County Partnership on a training to update our communities on changes to wetland regulations.

Land Use, Strategic and Comprehensive Planning

- **Neversink Watershed Management Plan**
 - Friends of the Upper Delaware River is presenting the plan to the Legislature at this month's meeting.
 - Friends of the Upper Delaware River is assisting the Town of Fallsburg with a WQIP grant for culvert work identified during this planning process.
- **Water Resources and Infrastructure**
 - Planning and Delaware Engineering had a kick off meeting for the Countywide Infrastructure Assessment. This assessment will collect data on existing conditions and make recommendations for areas for infrastructure expansion based on current and anticipated growth.
 - A separate scope of work is being developed to obtain hydrogeologic expertise in relation to subsurface conditions throughout the County to assess the County's water resources. We are actively searching for funding sources that could potentially fund this study.
 - Continued facilitation of technical assistance to Wurtsboro and Fallsburg from the Water Center at the University of Pennsylvania.
- **Hazard Mitigation Plan**
 - Staff are scheduling a fall date towards the end of September to discuss the plan and receive updates on projects included in the 2021 update for municipalities that were not able to attend the June meeting.

Recreation, Quality of Life & Tourism-based Economic Development

- **Sullivan O&W Rail Trail**
 - The Neversink Crossing project final design report has been compiled and was submitted to the NYSDOT. SEQR and NEPA have been completed. The current schedule anticipates a bid will be issued in the Fall of 2024. County representatives met with Town of Fallsburg leadership to discuss the approaching construction phase of the project, funding, and to address any concerns.
 - The Town of Rockland and their engineers had their first committee meeting on the section of trail from Rotary Park in Livingston Manor south.
 - Staff continue to participate in monthly meetings of the O&W Rail Trail Alliance as well as regular meetings with the engineering firm and partner municipalities.
 - Planning is working with Real Property and the municipalities to get 911 addresses for the trailheads.
 - Planning is working with the Sullivan Public Library Alliance to submit a grant application to Sullivan 180 for a daypack lending project that would encourage people to use the trail. The application was successful.
 - A Trail Town Assessment for the Village of Liberty is scheduled for August 22nd at 9:30 am.
 - The date has been set for the 2024 HO&WL event (Fri 10/25/24)

- Planning is working with partner agencies to establish a date in 2025 for a multi-day hike

Community Development & Revitalization

- **Housing Fund**
 - Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress has provided a timeline to submit draft guidelines for a Sullivan County Housing Trust Fund to the Division of Planning for review. A presentation will be provided to the Legislature on September 19, 2024.
- **Community Outreach**
 - Pattern for Progress expects to have the update to the County's Fair Housing Plan completed by the end of October 2024. Training module for local communities about encouraging housing while protecting community character are tentatively scheduled for October/November of this year.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Master Plan**
 - The County signed the contract from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and it is now at the State for their signature
 - A Request for Proposals has been developed to procure a consultant to assist with and write the plan and the solicitation will be issued as soon as the County has an executed grant agreement in place.
 - Planning staff have identified various stakeholders to serve on the Advisory Committee, as well as those which we believe are important to engage via interviews and focus groups, to assist with the development of the plan and provide feedback throughout the process.
 - An informational meeting and workshop were held on May 29th at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center in Liberty for Advisory committee members. Ian Thomas of America Walks provided a presentation to the group. This served as an orientation to committee members in preparation for upcoming work on the plan.
 - The plan will focus on connecting residents and visitors in and around community centers (villages, hamlets) with safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.
 - A Request for Proposals will be issued mid-September to retain services of a consultant.
- **RESTORE NY Round 7**
 - Actively working with NYS Empire State Development and RUPCO to implement the RESTORE NY Round 7 award received for rehabilitation of the Strong Building and Key Bank Building on Broadway, Monticello.
 - The County is working with RUPCO and the Sullivan County Land Bank to navigate a significant increase in the cost of construction based on the latest cost estimates.

Economic Development

- **Emerald Corporate Center Economic Development Corporation (ECCEDC)**
 - We continue to work with the Town of Thompson to transfer Emerald Springs Water Company (ESWC) and all assets to the Town of Thompson, based on discussions with counsel having experience with the process.
 - Both the Town and the ECCEDC have approved a Memorandum of Agreement which lays out the process and relationship between Emerald Corporate Center, Emerald Springs Water Company and the Town during this process. The document is in process for execution

Administration

- Submitted 2025 Operating Budget Request
- Attended monthly meeting and board retreat for Sullivan County Land Bank
- Met with Town of Liberty and Sullivan County Public Works to discuss pedestrian safety issues
- Attended meeting of the Real Property Advisory Board to discuss potential conservation efforts of a parcel on the tax foreclosure auction list
- Participated in meetings with staff and partners to discuss response to NYS ConnectAll request for additional information on the recent MIP Grant submission
- Participated in Cornell Cooperative Extension's quarterly Planning Advisory Committee meeting
- Participated in NYSAC Fall Seminar Climate Workshop prep meeting
- Participated in monthly O&W Rail Trail Alliance meeting

II. OFFICE OF SUSTAINABLE ENERGY (OSE)

- OSE is currently staffed by one part-time Sustainability Analyst following the retirement of a staff member. We will be working with OMB and the County Manager's office to determine the most appropriate path forward for staffing in the Office during the development of the 2025 Operating Budget.
- The Lake Goodyear small hydro facility continues to be offline due technical problems. Gravity Renewables, the operator of the plant, is troubleshooting with NYSEG to resolve the issue. There is no cost to the County for repairs.
- OSE staff have continued to review monthly utility statements, and to work with NYSEG and DPW staff to resolve ongoing issues with meter readings and monthly billings.
- OSE continues to document the County's progress toward reducing energy usage and greenhouse gas emissions while also identifying future clean energy project opportunities.

III. PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION

General:

- The D&H Canal Interpretive Center is hosting a talk by Paul King on the Roebing’s D&H Canal Aqueducts on August 31st at 12:00 pm. Over 40 people showed up for the July 27th Bagels and Locks event.
- Lake Superior State Park Beach admission and boat rental totals for May, June July:

(Months of May, June, July)	2024	2023
Admission	9,644	8,245
Boat/Kayak Rentals	794	453

- Fisher Associates are finishing the final design and engineering work for the Lake Superior hiking trail and have sent the 100% plans for review. They are also developing interpretive signage for the distinguishing features along the trail.
- Weston and Sampson have developed a survey for the park master plan. The survey will be used to collect input on the County owned Park and Recreation Facilities and also park and recreation needs throughout the County.
- Fisher Associates have submitted a preliminary schematic design and cost estimates for the parking area and river access trail for the Callicoon Park. The property survey for the permitting is being completed with hopes to start the SEQR process within the next couple of months.
- Submitted the 2025 Parks and Recreation budget.
- Along with the Grants Department, we submitted the application for the NY Swims Lifeguard Grant.
- The Sullivan County Historical Society is hosting an exhibit, “Voices of Survivors: Inspiring Hope, Sanctuary, Compassion and Community” from September 12-29. For further information visit www.HopesCompass.org or contact the Historical Society at 845-434-8044.

IV. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

- **Activity/Technical Assistance**

- Since July 20, DGA has received 7 funding resource requests related to a small business exchange program, municipal capital repair and records management, bakery operation, 2 business proposals for housing / affordable housing, foster care, and education, comic book production & literacy, and a local history documentary.
- Assistance has been provided to departments requiring support with the grant process, including the County Manager's Office, ITS, Community Services, Public Health, Planning, Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Community Resources, and Public Works. Current 2024 Grant Initiatives include:
 - Northern Border Regional Commission Timber for Transit Grant – requesting \$640,000.00 for a project proposed via the Division of Public Works (to be submitted)
 - NYS DEC Municipal Waste Reduction/Recycling Program 2024-2025 – request/award TBD for a proposal via the Department of Solid Waste (to be submitted)
 - NYS Office of Parks Recreation and Historical Preservation Snowmobile Grant-in-Aid Program 2024-2025 – award amount TBD based on maintenance expenses of Sullivan Trail Association (Phase II application to be submitted)
 - Department of Labor WORC Grant – requested \$1.5 million for a project proposed via Division of Community Resources (pending award/declination notice)
 - NYS Archives Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund – requested \$68,820.00 for project proposed via County Clerk's Office (awarded)
 - NYS ESD Municipal Infrastructure Program – requested \$30 million for a project proposed via the Divisions of Information Technology Services and Planning (pending award/declination notice)
 - NYS SWIMS Program – requested \$25,000.00 via the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beautification (pending award/declination notice)
 - NYS Office of Parks Recreation and Historical Preservation Snowmobile Grant-in-Aid Program 2023-2024 – requested \$4,410.00 (awarded)
 - DOT Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) - requested \$1.68 million for a proposal via the Department of Planning (pending award/declination notice)
 - NYS DEC Household Hazardous Waste - award amount TBD for a proposal via the Department of Solid Waste Management (pending award/declination notice)
 - NYS DEC Municipal Waste Reduction/Recycling Program 2023-2024 – requested \$53,367.11 for project proposed via Department of Solid Waste (awarded)
 - NYS DOT Bridge NY 2023 – requested \$2,850,000.00 for a project proposed by the Division of Public Works (awarded)

- NYS Department of Homeland Security Grant Program– requested \$179,249.00 for SHSP and LETTP projects proposed via Division of Public Safety and Sheriff’s Office (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Department of Homeland Security Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant Program - requested \$172,413.00 for proposal via the Division of Public Safety (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant - \$32,678.00 requested for proposal via the Division of Public Safety (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Department of Homeland Security Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Based Grant Program - award amount TBD for proposal via the Division of Public Safety (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Department of Homeland Security Public Safety Answering Points Program - award amount TBD for proposal via the Division of Public Safety (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Department of Health County Emergency Medical Services Support Grant – requested \$500,000.00 for a proposal via the Division of Public Safety (pending award/declination notice)
- Bureau of Justice (BJA) Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program – requested \$5,000.00 to offset costs of bulletproof vests via the Sheriff’s Office (pending award/declination notice)
- NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee Police Traffic Services – requested \$4,960.00 via the Sheriff’s Office for anti-crash initiatives (pending award/declination)
- DASNY Projects in Process:
 - DASNY Broadband, \$425,000.00 – additional project information required for DASNY review.
 - DASNY Callicoon Riverside Park, \$125,000.00 – additional project information required for DASNY review.
 - DASNY Burn Building, \$250,000.00 – ready for reimbursement
- *Note: This list of 40 current initiatives is not a comprehensive list of all programs currently monitored by DGA staff. It does not include list of previously awarded discretionary grants & allocations requiring execution in process or being tracked by DGA.*
- **In-County Grant Readiness**
 - DGA staff analyzed its organizational structure in consideration of capacity needs, and has presented a proposal with the 2025 budget submission.
 - Grants Best Practices Training was provided to a few members of Public Health Finance staff on August 12th. Training has been scheduled for Community Resources staff on August 26th, and with Public Health fiscal staff on September 4th. Training for the Department of Probation staff will take place on September 9th.
 - As a matter of information, Grants Best Practices training is recommended for Commissioners, Department Heads, and anyone in the Division/Department who

touches a grant or who is anticipated to be involved in grant work in the future. This might include staff engaged in project planning, project managers of programs funded by discretionary grants or allocations requiring execution, fiscal personnel, and administrative support personnel. Staff responsible for drafting/submitting resolutions would also obtain helpful information.

- Based on the results of Capacity Surveys and subjective needs assessments and pending the outcome of the Department's budget proposal, DGA staff would like to develop additional training modules focusing on two critical areas: project readiness and grant management.
- DGA continues to provide ongoing assistance to OMB and Public Health staff related to grants compliance initiatives.

V. AGRICULTURE & FARMLAND PROTECTION

- CCE July 2024 Ag report attached

JULY 2024 AG REPORT

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Sullivan County

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

Farm Visits: 12 Technical Assistance/Inquiries: 184 Soil Tests: 8

Business Planning, Tax Forms, Ag Assessments, Beginner Farmer, NRCS programs, Markets in Sullivan County, FSA Farm ID numbers, Establishing a business in NYS, Sullivan County Revolving Loan Fund, Ag Districts, Farm Tax Info, Rehoming animals, Soil & Water testing, Mentorship Program, Butchering Contacts, Catskills Kitchen, farmers market incentive programs, ag districts, ag zoning, farmland preservation.

Horticulture: Technical Assistance was provided to 36 contacts on soil testing, native plants, pest ID, plant ID, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, re-meadowing, Asian jumping worm, feral swine, deer proof plants. Staff have also been busy doing outreach in the community on invasive species.

PAST WORKSHOPS

Forest Ecology: Forest to Farm 07/02: 31 registered, 13 attended. Participants were guided on a tour through the forested areas of Unbroken Acres with owner, Anna Zabirova and forester, Laurie Raskin, of DHW Forest Consulting. Laurie Raskin explained the functionality of forested ecosystems in Sullivan County, the effects of climate change on forest ecology, how to use the forest systems to manage crop production, and programs that support forest management in NYS.

Farmer Mixer at Winterton Farms 07/15: 33 attended. An informal farmer networking event for aspiring, beginner, and seasoned farmers. Co-owner, Erika Malmgreen, led a farm tour of the property focusing on lavender production and their new commercial kitchen on the property.

Invasive Species to Have on Your Radar 07/17: 15 attended. Educated on the principles, methods, and FSMA regulations of on farm composting and soil health. The workshop focused on small scale vs large scale composting, and the basics of vermiculture.

Composting and Soil Health 07/29: 10 attended, 18 registered. The webinar discussed the tier 1, 2, and 3 invasives that pose a threat to Sullivan county. We covered how to identify, aquatic vs terrestrial, what we stand to lose if they become established, and management practices.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS for August (Visit www.SullivanCCE.org for full listings)

- Soil Health and SARE Grants Webinar (08/01): 6:00 - 7:30PM
- Swales: Water Management for Farms at Unbroken Acres (08/05): 6 - 8:00PM
- Farmer Mixer at Gorzynski Farm (8/13) 6:00 - 8:00PM
- Integrated Parasite Management for Livestock (8/14) 10:00AM - 1:30PM
- Native species of the northeast (8/14) 6:00 - 7:00PM
- Broiler Day at Majestic Farm (8/20)



LAND ACCESS, AG ZONING, FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROJECTS

Land Access: Staff are currently in the process of developing a training series in partnership with the planning department and the County Ag Board for municipal officials on agri-tourism, and also looking at hosting a municipal training at a farm. The County Ag Board is also looking at developing farmland preservation projects for the County. Staff have also been busy connecting landowners and land seekers with the Farmland for New Generation program.

SC Ag Board & Ag Districts: The public hearing for properties to be included into an ag district was held on July 25th. In total, almost 460 acres was recommended by the County Ag Board for inclusion into the existing districts. The legislature will then vote to include these properties at their August meeting.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

2024 Beginner Farmer Mentorship Cohort – We hosted a Farmer Mentorship Cohort Meet Up for mentors and mentees. This was an informal networking opportunity for mentors and mentees to build relationships to further the potential success of their farm businesses and the regional agricultural community. The next Cohort Meet Up will be on Thursday, August 22nd, this event will be held outdoors at the CCE office for mentors & mentees. CCE staff will provide a short presentation on our Farm Food Safety Program with the Food Safety Modernization Act. We are currently updating the mentorship application for mentees for the 2025 cohort with the hopes to open the 2025 application window in October.

Fresh Rx:

In partnership with Garnet Health, staff are continuing to provide educational workshops on different healthy recipes, while also working to enroll additional farmers into this new Produce Prescription Program. Eligible people attend a nutrition demonstration and then receive \$20 to spend at the farmers markets on fruits and vegetables.

Sullivan Fresh:

Staff continue to get farm fresh products out into the community, provide educational demos and develop kids programs at the Sullivan Fresh Markets and the Sullivan Fresh Community Cupboard. Since the program started in 2019, we have purchased over **\$190,000** in products from local farms.

Sullivan Catskills Farmers Markets

Staff continue to promote the farmers markets throughout Sullivan County with the Sullivan Catskills Farmers Markets initiative. We have recently published newspaper ads and social media posts to promote the different incentive programs available at the market.

Farm to School:

In partnership with Sullivan 180 and other non-profit organizations and schools districts, we are working to organize a training on Farm to School for Food Service staff at the Center for Discovery. Staff also continue to work with local farms on farm food safety plans so that they are able to sell to larger institutions. In addition, we are working to organize a wholesale market readiness training in the fall.

Catskills Kitchen: Technical assistance was provided to 8 farm and food producers on the following: Turning farm produce into value added products such as pesto, dehydrated mushrooms and apple cider vinegar, event meal prep, baked goods, food trucks, porridge and licensing and permitting.



SENIORS! Get \$25 to Spend
at the Farmers Market or Mobile Market
Age 60 and over. Based on income. NYS Resident.

Use the Coupons at these Farmers Markets or Mobile Markets

TUESDAY Sullivan County Public Health Woodridge	FRIDAY Garnet Health Liberty Farmers Market Mamakating Farmers Market
WEDNESDAY Fallsburg Loch Sheldrake	SATURDAY Barryville Farmers Market Kauneonga Lake Farmers Market Narrowsburg Farmers Market Rock Hill Farmers Market
THURSDAY Sullivan Fresh Monticello Farmers Market Wurtsboro	SUNDAY Callicoon Farmers Market Livingston Manor Farmers Market

**Cornell Cooperative Extension
Sullivan County**

WHERE CAN I GET COUPONS?
At a special event at a market or the Office for Aging at the Sullivan Government Center.
100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701
845-807-0241

For a full listing of Farmers Markets and Mobile Market locations visit:
SullivanCatskillsFarmersMarkets.com
Locally Grown. Farmer Known.
@sullivancatskillsfarmersmarkets



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Division of Community Resources Monthly Report September 2024

Office for the Aging (OFA) July 2024 Monthly Report

Monthly Accomplishments			
OFA Director:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation on Sullivan Catskills Food Security Coalition. • Monthly Hoot distribution continues to increase via mail, email and drop off locations. Direct mail list has grown to over 560. • Attended virtual trainings regarding upcoming Four-Year Plan from NYSOFA (New York State Office for the Aging). Issuance released from NYSOFA on July 16th. • Budget preparation along with Full-Charge Bookkeeper for 2025. • Preparations for RSVP luncheon ongoing. • Annual Public Hearing and Senior Resource Fair confirmed for October 23, 10am-2pm at the Government Center. • Preparation for re-competition for next three-year AmeriCorps RSVP application. • Continued distribution of freely available COVID test kits to community organizations. 			
RSVP:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Over 1,100 hours volunteered in July with a value of \$36,839 according to https://independentsector.org/resource/value-of-volunteer-time/ ❖ Recruitment efforts for RSVP Coordinator ongoing. ❖ Luncheon planning and logistics ongoing. 			
Nutrition:			
	Units:	Clients:	Contributions:
Homebound:	2,191	105	\$1,511.00
Congregate served at home:	183	13	
Congregate served at sites:	631	87	\$857.00
Guest:			\$30.00
TOTALS:	3,005	205	\$2,398.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ July was a very hot month. Our drivers and case workers made phone calls and did well being checks on all of our homebound clients. ❖ Farmer's market coupons being distributed to eligible seniors at senior centers, nutrition sites, clubs and local agencies. ❖ We are in discussion with the SC Jail and RD to create a menu for our next phase of opening more nutrition sites. 			

- ❖ We received 4 referrals for the month of July, bringing our total homebound meal clients to 126.

Transportation:

- 117 SCT (Sullivan County Transportation) Medical Trips
- 187 SCT Shopping Trips
- 58 SCT Congregate Nutrition Site Transportation
- 59 RSVP Medical Trips
- 1 Medical Trip provided by OFA staff

Legal referrals: 7 individuals received legal assistance through Rural Law Center of NY.

Caregiver Resource Center (CRC)

Caregiver support groups are offered once per month:

(registration required)

In person: 2nd Monday each month July 8, Aug. 12, upcoming: Sept. 9 from 12-1 with lunch

Virtual/zoom: 2nd Wednesday each month 6pm-7pm. July through December 2024

A **Parkinson's Support group** is now meeting monthly 2nd Wed - 4pm – 5:30 at Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan and supported by the Caregiver Resource Center. Registration is available but walk-ins are welcome.

This support group is growing and is well attended.

Bone Builders (Osteoporosis prevention). Starting Sept. 19 – Nov. 20, to be held weekly on Thursdays from 11-12 @ CCE Sullivan.

Registration is required at www.sullivance.org/events **Class is almost full**

CRC Coordinator Presented *Healthy Living Healthy Brain and 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's*:

July 1 - Kiwanis Club, Monticello

July 18 - White Sulphur Springs, UMW Seniors information & luncheon event

July 30- attended "Embracing In-Home Caregivers: Fostering Connection and Wellness"

July 31- attended National Caregiver Champion Collaborative Bi-Monthly Meeting

CRC Information, Assistance & Referral calls – July: 15 calls

All support groups attendance: July: 7 individuals

Workshops/presentations attendance: July: 38 individuals

Tai Chi for Arthritis & Falls Prevention – Tai Chi Tuesdays is being held July 30 – Sept. 3 from 5:30 – 6:30pm at CCE Sullivan

Plan to schedule another series this Fall

Workshops:

July 16 – “Take the Mystery Out of Medicare” -4 attendees, may offer again in Fall

July 22 - “Keep Them Safe, Keep You Sane: A Caregiver’s Guide to a Safe Home” rescheduled to Oct. 15.

NY Connects:

- 125 contacts for July.
- Outreach/Farmers Market Coupon distribution was conducted at the following locations during the month of July:
 - Bethel Senior Housing
 - Tannery Village
 - Liberty Farmers Market
 - Liberty Village
 - Rockland Senior Club
 - Monticello Senior Club
 - Liberty Commons
 - Horizons Senior Housing
 - Federation for the Homeless
 - Monticello Seniors Club
 - Sherwood Heights

HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program):

- ❖ 20 clients served.

PERS (Personal Emergency Response System):

- 25 clients currently receive PERS through CSE, EISEP & IIIIE funding.

EISEP (Expanded In Home Services for Elderly Program):

EISEP statistics for July, with May/June for comparison	May	June	July
EISEP FULL-SERVICE CASEFILES during JULY	totals	totals	totals
Casefiles already open as of 07/01/24**	28	31	35
Casefiles newly opened 07/01–07/31/24	6	4	3
Casefiles closed 07/01–07/31/24	(3)	(0)	(0)
NON-EISEP open CSE case transferred to EISEP			1
Casefiles open as of 07/31/24**	31	35	39

Sullivan County Youth Bureau:

- ❖ #SCYouthbureausummeradventures is a big hit. We've had 435 impressions (# of times it's been on someone's screen), 408 reaches (# of people who saw it) and 31 engagements (people who either liked, commented or shared them).
- ❖ Site visits conducted at Hudson Valley Athletic Club, Children's Home of Wyoming, Town of Bethel Camp-twice, Catskill Fly Fishing, Jeff's Youth Ambassador's Program.
- ❖ Continuing with weekly FB blasts as well as Weekly email blasts-over 600 emails/people reached on a weekly basis. FB posts for July had 645 impressions, 602 reaches and 57 engagements.
- ❖ Attended Municipal Youth Bureau discussion with NYS Youth Bureau Association.
- ❖ Co-created new NYS application packet to include instructions and checklists to ensure accuracy of application submission.
- ❖ Attended/participated in weekly Untied Sullivan calls.
- ❖ To date, we have received 3 NYS funded claims (all of which have been sent to OCFS for reimbursement to the County) and 1 county-funded claim. Reminders have been sent out to all award recipients about upcoming deadlines.
- ❖ Created new County Reimbursement Checklist to allow for new contracts/claims to be tracked.
- ❖ Met with Communications Director to learn how to edit the Youth Bureau page. Updated all information with regard to the new funding cycle.

Transportation

County Transportation:

Month 2024	Veterans Medical Centers	Veterans In-County Medical	Senior Medicals	Shopping Buses	Seniors to Congregate Sites	Meals Delivered
January	50	12	70	150	*	*
February	38	17	79	147	*	*
March	47	42	112	158	*	*
April	59	29	105	181	35	407
May	51	29	121	190	41	416
June	33	17	111	191	38	351
July	47	24	117	187	47	470
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						

Move Sullivan 2024	Average Daily Ridership	Monthly Ridership	Monthly Paratransit
January	436 (21 days)	9,154	230
February	472 (20 days)	9,447	218
March	478 (21 days)	10,048	262
1st Quarter Totals		28,649	710
April	490 (22 days)	10,775	272
May	521 (22 days)	11,469	296
June	546 (20 days)	10,910	270
2nd Quarter Totals		33,154	838
July	590 (22 days)	12,999	303
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 25 food pantries who attend our twice monthly food distribution at the Transportation building.

The Food Bank provided us with 119,656 pounds (60 tons) of food for distribution in 2023.

The Catskill Food Hub provides the rest of our distributed food when they have it available. Their food primarily comes from local farmers.

- ✓ The team continues to provide referral and assistance to callers looking information and/or resources.
- ✓ Continued distribution of test kits and masks.
- ✓ The CAC remains active providing emergency food assistance deliveries as well as connections to community resources.
- ✓ Support HV Food Bank monthly mobile pantry efforts in Freemont, Yulan and Fallsburg.
- ✓ A member of the Sullivan Catskill Food Security Coalition.



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Narrative of Resolution:

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 293-24 ADOPTED ON JUNE 20, 2024.

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution:

Are funds already budgeted? Choose an item.

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 293-24 ADOPTED ON JUNE 20, 2024.

WHEREAS, Resolution #293-24 was approved by the Sullivan County Legislature on 06/20/2024, for the County of Sullivan to allocate County funds to eligible community entities for youth programing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Livingston Manor Roscoe-Cal Ripken, should be named Sullivan County Youth Baseball & Softball, Inc.

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



Sullivan County
Legislative Memorandum

100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

File #: ID-6740

Agenda Date: 9/5/2024

Agenda #: 2.

Narrative of Resolution:

To seek \$100,000 in funding from Friends of the Upper Delaware to offset local costs for construction of the Neversink Crossing project in the Town of Fallsburg.

There will be a presentation from Friends of the Upper Delaware to present the Neversink Watershed Management Plan.

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: N/A

Are funds already budgeted? Choose an item.

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING & COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE UPPER DELAWARE RIVER FOR THE NEVERSINK CROSSING

WHEREAS, New York State has funded Friends of the Upper Delaware River through a line item to provide matching grants for projects partially funded by National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grants; and

WHEREAS, the Neversink Crossing on the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail (the “Project”) is partially funded through a National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Sullivan County Legislature to offset local costs of the Project to the maximum extent possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, 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 submit an application to the Friends of the Upper Delaware River for grant of up to \$100,000 to fund necessary construction and construction related costs to build the Neversink Crossing section of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager to execute any and all necessary documents to accept the grant award, should one be 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 or contemplated to be undertaken for the use of this funding.



Sullivan County
Legislative Memorandum

100 North Street
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File #: ID-6742

Agenda Date: 9/5/2024

Agenda #: 3.

Narrative of Resolution:

Authorize grant submission of a 2025-2028 AmeriCorps Seniors

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: \$409,200 (3 year period)

Are funds already budgeted? Yes

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT SUBMISSION OF A 2025-2028 AmeriCorps Seniors RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP) GRANT APPLICATION AND TO ACCEPT AN AWARD OF FUNDS IF GRANTED.

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Office for the Aging (*SC OFA*) presently operates a Retired Senior Volunteer Program (*RSVP*) federally funded via the AmeriCorps Seniors; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps Seniors has notified the SC OFA that they are eligible for application for the Grant Recompetition; this is a current grant that has been run from the Office for the Aging (OFA) office since 1972 and it has been a stable source of revenue for over 51 years; in 2023, there were approximately 130 current RSVP volunteers serving 13,000+ hours per year with an in kind benefit to the county of over \$436,743.00 in value of service to the county; and, funds used towards Project Coordinator salary totals \$115,000.00.

WHEREAS, the total projected 2025-28 RSVP project budget is \$409,200, of which \$225,000 is being requested from AmeriCorps Seniors, \$22,395 represents funding from New York State, and a County match in the amount of \$161,805 for the three-year performance period beginning in 2025.

WHEREAS, the SC OFA seeks to continue the RSVP as part of the effort to improve lives, strengthen our communities and foster civic participation through senior service and volunteering; and

WHEREAS, the SC OFA is considered eligible to submit a new competitive application for 2025-2028 RSVP funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the County Manager to execute any and all necessary documents to submit the RSVP application for funding, to accept the award should one be granted, 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 2025-2028 RSVP funding be terminated, the County shall

not be obligated to continue any action undertaken by the use of this funding.