

Division of Community Resources Monthly Report

Workforce Development

July 2025

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- The Electrical training program graduated 14 adults on June 10 with a celebration held at the BOCES dining room at the Rubin Pollock building. The Center for Workforce Development (CWD) held a targeted job fair on June 12 for the graduates. As of this writing 10 participants are employed in an electrical field position and the CWD is working with the remaining 4 individuals to move them into employment.
- Recruitment for Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training is underway. Training is scheduled to start on September 8 with sixteen (16) seats. Classes will run through November 24, 2025 from 5:30pm to 9:00pm, Monday through Thursday at SUNY Sullivan.

Application deadline is August 8, 2025. Interested adults will need to have background checks, drug testing, and physicals along with completion of required paperwork in order to participate.

- The CWD received \$50,000 in incentive funding for fiscal performance. These Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds may only be used on training and supportive services for individuals enrolled in the Adult, Dislocated Worker or Youth programs. Funding must be spent by June 30, 2026.
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- The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is set to run from July 8, 2025 through August 15, 2025. The program provides six weeks of paid work experience to low income youth aged 14 through 20. There will be up to 50 spots available. Three Crew Leader positions and one Supervising Crew Leader position have been filled. The following worksites have been secured: Bold Gold Media, Catskill Radio (WJFF), A Single Bite, Federation for the

Homeless, Catholic Charities Food Pantry, Hurleyville Performing Arts Center, United Way, Monticello Central School, Woodridge Housing Authority, SUNY Sullivan Liberty Partnership Program (LPP) and Literacy Volunteers (LVA). There was a total of 126 applications received.

- The NYS Systems Change and Inclusive Opportunities Network (NYSCION) update:
 - ✓ As of May 2025, there are 230 participants who have received services, 171 are currently enrolled and 39 individuals with disabilities have gained employment.
 - ✓ The Disability Resource Coordinator (DRC) will be Chairing the Rural Health Network. The first meeting date has not yet been set.
 - ✓ The DRC facilitated a training for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Training and Assistance/Accessibility Workgroup (TAAG), a statewide NY SCION working group in May.
 - ✓ A “Save the Date” was sent out for the second annual summit to promote inclusive workplace practices. This will be held October 22,2025 at the Kartrite from 7:30am until 10:00am. The month of October is National Disability Awareness Month.
- Center Services:
 - There were 7 in-house recruitment events through May 2025 hosting 25 businesses and 108 jobseekers.
 - The CWD provided services to 25 new business customers and listed 251 jobs in May.
 - There were 555 individuals that came to the Career Center for services in May.

Temporary Assistance Caseload Profile 2025

May 2025 Total Caseload - 270	TANF/SNM Cases - 159	Safety Net Caseload - 111
Medical Issues	6%	2%
Disabled	9%	0
Pregnant/Newborn	3%	0
Needed in Home	4%	0
No Child Care	23%	0
Criminal Justice Involved	22%	80%
Cases Closed	9	37

Labor Market Data for May 2025

- ✓ Sullivan County's total nonfarm jobs increased 2.9% (900) and private sector jobs increased 3.2% (800) for May 2025.

Please note: The net month (April 2025 – May 2025) showed an increase in nonfarm jobs of 1.9% (600) and an increase of 2.4% (600) in private sector jobs.

- ✓ For Sullivan County the job gains were:
 - Private Educational and Health Services at 6.0% (500)
 - Financial Activities at 11.1% (100)
 - Manufacturing at 4.8% (100)
 - Trade, Transportation and Utilities at 2.3% (100)
 - Government at 1.6% (100)

For Sullivan County the sectors that showed no job growth were:

- Leisure & Hospitality
- Other Services
- Information

For Sullivan County the sectors that showed job losses were:

- Mining, Logging and Construction at -7.1% (-100)
- Professional and Business Services at -4.5% (-100)

NYS showed an increase of 1.1% (110,600) in total nonfarm jobs and 1.1% (88,300) in private sector jobs.

NYS saw the largest jobs gains were found in:

- Private Educational and Health Services at 4.1% (97,000)
- Government at 1.5% (22,300)
- Leisure & Hospitality at 0.8% (7,700)
- Professional and Business Services at 0% (100)

NYS saw job losses in:

- Mining, Logging and Construction at -1.5% (-6,000)
 - Other Services at -1.2% (-4,800)
 - Manufacturing at -0.8% (-3,300)
 - Information at -0.6% (-1,700)
 - Trade, Transportation and Utilities at 0% (-400)
 - Financial Activities at 0% (-300)
- ✓ Within the region, Sullivan County's private employment sector posted the fastest gains year-over-year, up 3.2 percent. The second fastest growth was recorded in the Kingston MSA (+1.1 percent), followed by Rockland County (+0.7 percent), Westchester County (+0.5 percent), and the Kiryas Joel-Poughkeepsie-Newburgh MSA (+0.4 percent). Putnam County was the only county in the region to decline at -0.8 percent.
- ✓ The Hudson Valley region showed an increase of 0.7% (6,700) in total nonfarm jobs and an increase of 0.6% (4,900) in private sector jobs.

The largest job gains were found in:

- Private Educational and Health Services at 1.9% (4,400)
- Government at 1.1% (1,800)
- Leisure & Hospitality at 1.5% (1,400)
- Manufacturing at 1.5% (600)
- Financial Activities at 1.3% (600)
- Professional and Business Services at 0.5% (600)
- Trade, Transportation and Utilities at 0.1% (200)

The Region's job losses were in:

- Mining, Logging and Construction at -3.2% (-1,900)
 - Information at -6.1% (-800)
 - Other Services at -0.4% (-200)
- ✓ Sullivan County's unemployment rate was 2.8% for May 2025 down from 3.2% in May 2024.

May 2025 had 37,400 people in the labor force (36,400 employed & 1,000 unemployed). The number of employed individuals increased by 2.2% (800) and the number of unemployed individuals decreased by -16.7% (-200). Overall there was an increase of 1.6% (600) in the labor force compared to May 2024.

The total labor force increased by 0.8% (300) April 2025 to May 2025. The number of employed workers increased by 1.1% (400) and the number of unemployed decreased by -9.1% (-100).

- ✓ The Hudson Valley's unemployment rate was 2.8% for May 2025, a decrease from 3.2% in May 2024.
- ✓ NYS's unemployment rate was 3.5% in May 2025, a decrease from 4.0% in May 2024.
- ✓ The May 2025 unemployment rates across the 62 NYS counties ranged from a low of 2.3% for Saratoga County to a high of 5.8% for Bronx County. Sullivan County with a 2.8% rate ranked 20th in the State along with Onondaga, Schoharie, Suffolk and Warren Counties.
- ✓ Hudson Valley unemployment rankings for May 2025:
 - # 3 Putnam County at 2.5%
 - # 6 Rockland County at 2.6%
 - #11 Dutchess County at 2.7%
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 - #20 Sullivan County at 2.8%
 - #25 Ulster County at 2.9%
 - #45 Orange County at 3.2%