

Division of Community Resources Monthly Report

- ✓ Submitted Application to Regional Economic Development Council for Community Development Block Grant funding. If awarded the grant will support a Senior needs assessment and resulting plan.

Workforce Development

- ✓ The 2022 Summer Youth Employment Program is up and running with 43 youth enrolled. There are nine sites throughout the County and several independent sites participating. The program started July 11th and will run thru August 19th. A presentation and awards program, as well as a luncheon, will be held on the final day and the County Legislature and County Management will be invited. Details will be coming.
- ✓ A Request for Proposal (RFP) for In-School Youth services was issued and one response was received. The proposal submitted by Hospitality Green will be providing services to youth at Fallsburg High School in September.
- ✓ Johnson Technical College is unable to put the trades program together that we were developing. Conversation is underway with SUNY Sullivan.
- ✓ The DRC position will work to support and expand partnerships, collaboration, service coordination, and service delivery across multiple education, workforce and disability systems. The increased coordination with systems and the business community will help to create sustainable career paths.
Update: Kathleen Poitras has been hired and will be certified by the end of July which is a requirement. County Legislatures approved the Resolution to sign all Agreements for the County to work with NYESS who will be the administrator of the revenue for the Ticket to Work Program. FBI fingerprinting and background checks to be completed for three staff members essential to this program.

Labor Market Data for June 2022 compared to June 2021

- ✓ Sullivan County saw an increase 6.7% (1,900) in total nonfarm jobs and an increase 8.9% (2,000) in total private sector jobs.

Sullivan County had the fastest growth year over year in the Hudson Valley region for private sector job gains (8.9%).

Sullivan County had the highest nonfarm growth rate among small counties in the NYS at 6.7%

Please note: The net month (May '22 – June '22) showed a gain of 4.1% (1,200) nonfarm jobs and a gain of 4.7% (1,100) private sector jobs.

- ✓ For Sullivan County the largest job gains were:
 - Leisure & Hospitality at 38.1% (1,600)
 - Manufacturing at 12.5% (200)
 - Information at 100% (100)
 - Other Services at 10% (100)
 - Natural Resources, Mining & Construction at 7.7% (100)
 - Business and Professional Services at 5.9% (100)

The County showed job losses in:

- Government at -1.7% (-100)
- Trade Transportation and Utilities at -2.2% (-100)
- Education and Health Services at -1.4% (-100)

All other industries showed no job growth in June 2022 over June 2021.

- ✓ NYS showed an increase of 5.3% (479,700) in total nonfarm jobs and 5.7% (433,600) in private sector jobs.

The largest jobs gains were found in:

- Leisure & Hospitality at 17.9% (136,100)
- Professional & Business Services at 7.3% (93,800)
- Education and Health Services at 3.3% (67,400)
- Trade, Transportation & Utilities at 4.2% (59,100)

- ✓ The Hudson Valley region showed an increase of 2.8% (26,100) in total nonfarm jobs and an increase of 4.0% (30,500) in private sector jobs.

The largest job gains were found in:

- Leisure & Hospitality at 11.2% (9,700)
- Professional and Business Services at 6.5% (7,400)
- Other Services at 12.8% (4,900)
- Education and Health Services at 2.1% (4,200)

The Region's job losses were in:

- Government at -2.9% (-4,400)
- Financial Activities at -1.8% (-800)

- ✓ Sullivan County's unemployment rate was 3.0% for June 2022 down from 5.2% in June 2021.

June 2022 had 38,800 people in the labor force (37,600 employed & 1,200 unemployed). This reflects an overall increase of 1,300 people in the labor force compared to June 2021.

- ✓ The Hudson Valley's unemployment rate for June 2022 is 3.1% compared to 5.1% in June 2021.
- ✓ NYS's unemployment rate was 4.4% in June 2022 compared to 7.5% in June 2021.
- ✓ The June 2022 unemployment rates across the 62 NYS counties ranged from a low of 2.6% for Columbia, Saratoga and Yates counties to a high of 8.0% for Bronx County. Sullivan County with a 3.0% rate ranked 13th in the State along with Albany, Chenango, Essex, Rensselaer, Suffolk, Tioga, Warren and Washington counties.
- ✓ Hudson Valley unemployment rankings for June 2022:
 - # 5 Rockland County at 2.8%
 - # 8 Putnam County at 2.9%
 - #13 Sullivan County at 3.0%
 - #22 Dutchess County at 3.1%
 - #22 Ulster County at 3.1%
 - #28 Westchester County at 3.2%
 - #28 Orange County at 3.2%

Transportation

- ✓ Effective August 1, 2022, the fares for Move Sullivan public transit routes will be paid for by the County. This suspension of public payment is in effect through December 31, 2023. This also applies to the riders of the complementary paratransit services.
- ✓ We received approval from NYSDOT for the two proposed expansion routes.

Community Assistance Center (CAC)

- ✓ The CAC has been coordinating the countywide mask and test kit distribution.
- ✓ The team continues to provide referral and assistance to callers looking for vaccines and/or information.
- ✓ The CAC remains active providing food assistance deliveries as well as connections to community resources.
- ✓ The Thursday Food Bank deliveries to the pantries are now twice a month. Salvation Army box deliveries continue unchanged.

Office for the Aging - Monthly Report: June 2022

Highlights:

- ✓ Continue to assist with CAC efforts distributing masks and test kits, answering phones, providing referrals and information and vaccination access.
- ✓ Participating in case review with EMDT & APS regarding mutual clients.
- ✓ OFA newsletter planning ongoing, contracted company making progress in soliciting advertisers, target launch in August 2022. Would greatly expand outreach opportunities both in print and online, at no cost to County.
- ✓ Participation as board member at large of Association on Aging in NY.
- ✓ Continue to participate in Sullivan County Food Security Roundtable efforts.
- ✓ Along with Division, participated in various community outreach events.
- ✓ SAGE training opportunities to receive credentialing for staff to appropriately implement diversity and inclusion initiatives
- ✓ Attended ACUU (Aging Concerns Unite Us) June 6-8th at Desmond in Albany
- ✓ Assisting with application for CDBG Planning Grant

EISEP (Expanded In-home Services for Elderly Program)

EISEP/Unmet Needs, June 2022	Total
CASE FILES already open for full EISEP-type services including PCA	29
Plus, new CASE FILES opened in June	0
CASE FILES closed EFFECTIVE June	0
CASE FILES total open as of 6/30/2022	29 EISEP [+ 3 non-EISEP]
CASE FILES open still without aides as of 6/30/2022 [does not include “bridge” clients]	15
CASE FILES reassessed in June	3
WAITLIST currently active as of 6/30/2022	28

- ✓ Still facing aide shortages, awaiting updated contract modifications to be fully executed to facilitate incentive of higher hourly rate for aides

Legal Services

- ✓ There were no referrals to legal services this month. An RFP for a new Legal Services provider due to retirement of current provider was issued and we received no initial responses by the due date. Additional outreach was made and there may be one interested applicant.

HIICAP

- ✓ client interactions - 13

NYConnects

- ✓ Client interactions -21
- ✓ Advertising on all platforms is up and running and is proving to be effective.
- ✓ Outreach at libraries and other community events

Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS)

- ✓ 29 clients receive PERS medical monitoring through the OFA.

Nutrition Program

- ✓ Totals for June 2022
 - Homebound meals: 1671 units for 90 clients
 - Congregate meals: 1282 units for 75 clients
 - Total meals: 2953 units for 165 clients
- ✓ Homebound deposits: \$1,674.00
- ✓ Congregate deposits: \$120.00 (from Rockland site walk-ins)
- ✓ Total deposits: \$1,794.00

Transportation

- ✓ SCT Medical Trips-62
- ✓ RSVP-50 trips
- ✓ Shopping Bus trips--81

RSVP

- ✓ RSVP will be participating in an AmeriCorps RSVP PILOT program offering RSVP grantees to receive their full three (3) years of funding in year one (1) through a budget amendment process. Through this program grant continuations and renewals will be waived allowing more time to focus on the needs of the program.
- ✓ The AmeriCorps Bi-Annual Progress Report has been reviewed this month by our AmeriCorps Portfolio Manager and feedback was very positive.
- ✓ Recruitment efforts: recruited 1 new volunteer in the RSVP Medical Transportation, 1 at Noah's Arch, 1 at the Sullivan County Historical Society, and 1 in our Needlework Crochet program for veterans and seniors in our area. Additional recruitment efforts at the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and the Fort

- ✓ Delaware Museum of Colonial History. Conducted orientation for potential new RSVP volunteers at the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.
- ✓ Performed Station Monitoring with Sunshine Hall Free Library. The Sunshine Free Hall Library, in conjunction with the Sullivan Public Library Alliance is providing a free service to homebound Sullivan County residents who are either temporarily or permanently homebound due to illness, disability, immobility or transportation issues. The program delivers library items directly to their door. Six libraries are participating, including RSVP Stations: Sunshine Hall Free Library; Daniel Pierce Library; and the Western Sullivan Public Library.
- ✓ Father's Day cards were distributed to Veterans in Sullivan County under our Cards for Veterans program. RSVP donated cases of gently used books to our RSVP Volunteer Station, Literacy of America and an assortment of hygiene items to the Noah's Arch Thrift Shop for those in need.
- ✓ Attended AmeriCorps Seniors Office Hours Meeting; Aging Concerns Unite Us Conference, work sessions included How the Aging Network Can Disrupt Disparities Facing LGBTQ+ Elders; Longevity Issues Facing Older Adults Living with HIV; Communicating with your Hispanic and/or Latino Clientele (yes, there is a difference); Any Care Counts by Archangels; Long Term Care Ombudsman Program – Nursing Home Resided Centered Advocacy for Returning to the Community; Impactful Monitoring – Laying the Foundation.
- ✓ The Town of Lumberland and the Town of Highland continue to help in disseminating important information to our community members through their town websites, newsletters and social media

Youth Bureau

1. Attended ANYSYB Membership Meeting
2. Talked with board members informally of how they would like to see the YB move forward
3. Submitted re-allocation documentation to Commissioner
4. Spoke with potential new applicant for next year's funding
5. Attended Empowering a Healthier Generation Celebration
6. Judged NYS Youth Council Applications for Sullivan County of Sullivan
7. Held Youth Bureau Advisory Board meeting
8. Began "Youth Bureau Blasts" – go out at least 1x week
9. Discussed Youth Bureau with Senator Aileen Gunther's staff
10. Updated Youth Bureau Website – more to come
11. Attended SALT meeting
12. Presented at Legislative Committee Meeting
13. Attended OCFS Bureau of Youth Development Call
14. Attended EPIC and Sullivan County Youth Bureau Meeting
15. Attended meeting with 180 and Sullivan Renaissance regarding Youth Bureau and moving forward and idea sharing
16. Participated on a conference call with Cynthia Alvarez - State Youth Bureau rep.
17. Attended Youth Bureau 101 with Orange County Youth Bureau Director

18. Scheduled July 2022 RAP meeting with advisory board
19. Member of and attended HVYBA Bylaws Committee meeting
20. Narcan Certification training
21. Completed program monitoring tool
22. Completed spreadsheet for past funding and requested funding for 2022
23. Met with Audit and Control for a 101
24. Participated in ANYSYB Membership Meeting on Juvenile Justice-Related Chapters of the Laws of 2021 and Changes to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act