

# **Division of Community Resources Monthly Report**

## **Workforce Development**

**April 2026**

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- Planning is underway for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Outreach to previous worksites has begun. Policies are being reviewed and updated. Launching the program fully is dependent on the passage of the State budget.
- The Center for Workforce Development (CWD) is supporting SUNY Sullivan in their efforts to hire an instructor for the Construction trades class.
- The upcoming Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) class is scheduled for April 6, 2026. Recruitment is underway.
- The Outreach Strategic Plan that CWD is working on with Bold Gold Media continues to move forward working on WIOA Youth and NYSCION categories for new branding for rack cards, radio advertising, geotargeted displays, YouTube content, along with social media content. The Outreach Plan will continue through October 2026.
- The NYS Systems Change and Inclusive Opportunities Network (NYSCION) update:
  - ✓ As of February 28, 2026, the CWD has received an additional \$99,910 in funding from NYSDOL/OMH to sustain and grow services and supports through 2026.
  - ✓ The round table and sustainability group quarterly meetings have begun and redefined goals and objectives for 2026.
  - ✓ The program has been given approval for full financial sponsorship for the 2026 Workforce Summit. The tentative date is October 7, 2026.
  - ✓ The Disability Resource Coordinator (DRC) sits on three Sullivan County Task Force pillars, SALT, Single Point of Access (SPOA), Sullivan County Treatment Court, National Navigator Exchange, and the NYS Coalition to prevent addiction and support recovery in

with the expected seasonal slowdown. We logged 1,576 website events, reflecting active interaction with the site's features. Overall, social media engagement is balanced between new and returning users, and the short session lengths indicate quick, purposeful visits.

**Job Seekers**

- There were 561 participants that came to the Career Center for services in February, a year over year increase of 17%.

**Labor Market Information**

There is no 2026 labor market data available on Sullivan County.

Some interesting data:

NYS Median Weekly Earnings and Unemployment Rates (25 years and over) by Educational Attainment, 2025		
Level of Education	Unemployment Rate	Median Weekly Earnings
All Workers	3.5%	\$1,350
Less than High School or High School Diploma/GED	4.5%	\$880
Some College or Associate Degree	3.4%	\$1,096
Bachelor's Degree	3.4%	\$1,690
Master's Degree or Higher	2.2%	\$1,980

\*Note: Median weekly earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers aged 25 and over.

Unemployment rates are for all individuals aged 25 and over.

\*October 2025 Current Population Survey (CPS) data is unavailable due to the federal government shutdown. Estimates will utilize an 11-month average instead of the standard 12-month average. Caution is recommended when comparing these estimates to prior years' 12-month averages.

Source: Current Population Survey

# CAREERS IN STEM

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, & MATH



Department  
of Labor

## DO YOU WANT TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE?

If you are concerned about changes in the environment, creating better medicines and building new gadgets to make everyday life easier, consider a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education. A STEM education can give you the tools to help solve some of today's most perplexing problems.

## DO YOU WONDER WHAT PUTS THE THRILL IN A ROLLER COASTER?

It takes both design and engineering skills to develop a thrill ride. If you are curious about how things work and are a creative and original thinker, a STEM career could be for you.

## DO YOU IMAGINE SOLVING CRIMES USING THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY?

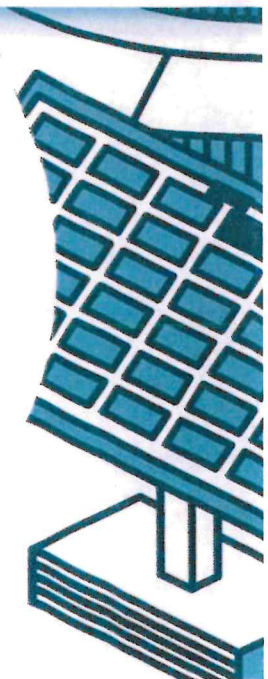
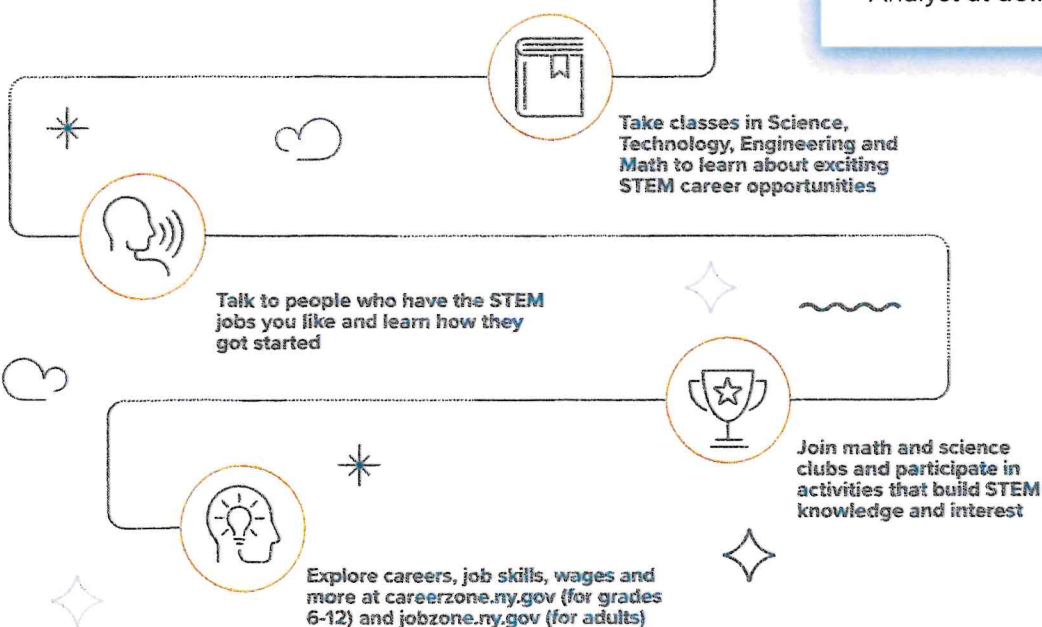
You could be a Forensic Science Technician in your local area or travel the world tracking the latest infectious disease. Professionals in STEM careers protect and serve people around the world.



There are over 240 STEM occupations with new ones created every year. You can find more STEM occupations at [oneline.org/find/stem](http://oneline.org/find/stem)

For more information about STEM occupations in your region contact your local Labor Market Analyst at [dol.ny.gov/labor-market-analysts](http://dol.ny.gov/labor-market-analysts)

## Get Started



The median wage of Hudson Valley Region STEM occupations is \$88,900 a year, which is 57 percent higher than the median annual wage of \$56,630 for all workers in the region.

## STEM CAREERS: HUDSON VALLEY

OCCUPATION	MEDIAN ANNUAL WAGE*
AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNICIANS AND MECHANICS	\$57,565
COMPUTER AND INFORMATION RESEARCH SCIENTISTS	\$211,375
COMPUTER NETWORK ARCHITECTS	\$136,686
COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHERS, POSTSECONDARY	\$85,100
DATA SCIENTISTS	\$120,834
DENTAL HYGIENISTS	\$101,137
DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHERS	\$103,531
DIETITIANS AND NUTRITIONISTS	\$82,116
ELECTRICAL POWER-LINE INSTALLERS AND REPAIRERS	\$112,588
FAMILY MEDICINE PHYSICIANS	\$215,807
INFORMATION SECURITY ANALYSTS	\$120,685
MATHEMATICAL SCIENCE TEACHERS, POSTSECONDARY	\$82,432
MEDICAL APPLIANCE TECHNICIANS	\$59,015
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT REPAIRERS	\$67,963
NETWORK AND COMPUTER SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATORS	\$105,547
NURSE PRACTITIONERS	\$155,747
NURSING INSTRUCTORS AND TEACHERS, POSTSECONDARY	\$78,999
OPTICIANS, DISPENSING	\$64,101
PHARMACY TECHNICIANS	\$40,311
RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS	\$96,344
RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS	\$107,906
SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS	\$142,547
SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS	\$80,287
URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNERS	\$103,776
WEB DEVELOPERS	\$67,961

\*Half the workers were paid wages above and half were paid wages below this value