



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, October 10, 2024

9:30 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Comments:

Reports:

1. Planning Division

[ID-6816](#)

Attachments: [September 2024](#)
[Aug 24 AG report](#)

2. Division of Community Resources
Monthly Report
October 2024

[ID-6808](#)

Attachments: [2024 PandCR October Report](#)

Presentation:

Sullivan County Land Bank

Public Comment

Resolutions:

1. To approve 2024-2025 allocation of State Aid to Youth Development programs for the period of October 1, 2024 through SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.

[ID-6813](#)

Sponsors: Office for the Aging and Deoul

2. Authorize a letter of intent and execution of a contract of sale for the purchase of property in the Town of Mamakating which lies adjacent to County property (D&H Interpretive Center).

[ID-6817](#)

3. To authorize the County of Sullivan to pursue LEAD Agency status for the SEQRA process for the proposed development of Callicoon Riverside Park, in the Hamlet of Callicoon. [ID-6818](#)
4. To authorize an agreement with Friend of the Upper Delaware River to assist in the administration of funding from the United State Environmental Protection Agency's Change Grant. [ID-6819](#)
5. Authorize financial support to the Sullivan County Land Bank for FY2024. [ID-6820](#)

Adjourn



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Legislative Memorandum

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DIVISION OF PLANNING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

ACTIVITY REPORT

September 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
09/05/24	10/01/24	Rockland Solar, LLC	Special Use Permit	ROC24-03	B. McPhillips
09/06/24	10/01/24	Verizon Wireless	Area Variance	COC24-03	M. McPhillips
09/11/24	09/24/24	The Hamlet Dream	Special Use Permit	HIG24-03	M. McPhillips
09/17/24	10/09/24	Mountain Crest	Site Plan Review	FAL24-21	Ward
09/18/24	10/08/24	Liberty Enterprise NY LLC {Crossfarm School}	Special Use Permit	LIB24-08	B. McPhillips
09/18/24	10/07/24	Camp HASC	Special Use Permit	LIB24-09	B. McPhillips
09/20/24	10/23/24	Hal Siegel	Use Variance	FAL24-24	Ward
09/23/24	10/09/24	Mitteer Rd. Cluster Subdivision	Subdivision Review	FAL24-23	Ward

- Updated exemption agreements were sent to municipalities for renewal. To date, nine municipalities have signed and returned them.

- Pace University training on land use law was held on September 30, from 6-8PM at Cornell Cooperative Extension. The training offered 2 hours of CLE credits for attorneys. The training had 12 participants.
- Working with NYS DEC and the Sullivan County Partnership on a training to update our communities on changes to wetland regulations.
- Planning staff has been attending municipal planning board meetings to foster better coordination and more helpful reviews. Mamakating, Delaware, and the Village of Liberty meetings were attended in September.

Land Use, Strategic and Comprehensive Planning

• Neversink Watershed Management Plan

- The plan is complete and available on the County website. Friends of the Upper Delaware River presented the plan to the Legislature at the Planning Committee meeting.
- Planning is reviewing the document's recommendations to strategize implementation.

• Water Resources and Infrastructure

- Planning and Delaware Engineering had a kick off meeting for the Countywide Infrastructure Assessment last month, and Delaware has started creating the framework to collect data on existing conditions and make recommendations for areas for infrastructure expansion based on current and anticipated growth.
- Planning and Delaware Engineering met with the US Water Alliance to collaborate on developing a peer learning based training that will dovetail with the assessment.
- 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 following up in one-on-one calls 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 received NYSDOT authorization for advanced design review. SEQR and NEPA have been completed. The Town and County need to complete their reviews of these designs by October 3rd. The current schedule anticipates a bid will be issued before the end of 2024.

- The use and occupancy agreement between NYS DOT and the Town of Liberty for the Parkville extension is tied with the acquisition process for multiple parcels related to the rerouting of Route 17. The engineering has started, but final scoping of the needed surveying needs to be assessed. Planning will work with DPW, DOT, the Town and the consultant, Alta to finalize the extent.
- 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.
- Sullivan 180 awarded a grant to the Sullivan Public Library Alliance for an application completed by Planning for a daypack lending project to encourage people to use the trail.
- A Trail Town Assessment for the Village of Liberty was completed.
- The date has been set for the 2024 HO&WL event (Fri 10/25/24) It will take place in Mamakating, starting and ending at the Bashakill Vineyard
- Working on dates for a 2025 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 contract from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for the Climate Smart Communities Program funding is fully executed.
 - A Request for Proposals has been issued and responses received 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.
 - The plan will focus on connecting residents and visitors in and around community centers (villages, hamlets) with safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.
- **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.

Administration

- Attended NYSAC Fall Seminar – Participated in capacity as Co-Vice Chair of the Climate Action Standing Committee; Participated as panelist in “Celebrating a Decade of Climate Action” in discussing Sullivan County’s achievements in this area; Provided a presentation to the Municipal Electric and Gas Alliance on Sullivan County’s progress in controlling energy costs.
- Attended quarterly meeting of the Sullivan County Workforce Development Board
- Attended Airport Commission meeting
- Met with County Manager and Management and Budget staff to discuss 2025 budget request
- Interviewed candidates for Research Analyst position – New staff joins Planning team on Monday, October 21, 2024.
- Attended quarterly Ag and Farmland Protection Board meeting
- Attended events for SUNY Sullivan, Partnership for Economic Development, and Cornell Cooperative Extension
- Attended meeting of NYSEG/RG&E Climate Change Vulnerability Working Group
- Participated in monthly O&W Rail Trail Alliance meeting

II. OFFICE OF SUSTAINABLE ENERGY (OSE)

- 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.
- OSE will be meeting with HVRC staff to discuss recertification efforts for Climate Smart Communities Program.

III. PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION

General:

- 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. The following is a link to the survey [SULLIVAN COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN SURVEY \(surveymonkey.com\)](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/sullivan-county-parks-and-recreation-master-plan-survey).
- Lake Superior State Park Beach admission and boat rental totals for the 2024 season.

	2024	2023
Admission	14,272 ppl	12,891 ppl
Boat/Kayak Rentals	1,201	830

- The final design and engineering work for the Lake Superior westside hiking trail has sent to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission for approval.
- 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 along with the SEQRA process.
- The Sullivan County Historical Society is hosting an exhibit, "Voices of Survivors: Inspiring Hope, Sanctuary, Compassion and Community". For further information visit www.HopesCompass.org or contact the Historical Society at 845-434-8044.

Recreation:

- Working on developing a Sullivan County Parks Photo Exhibition.
- Working on setting up recreational programs that can take place at the Sullivan County Cultural Center starting this fall and winter.
- Working on a schedule for offering Lifeguarding Certification courses during the 2024-2025 school year.
- Researching the possibility of adding canoes for rent at Lake Superior next season.

IV. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION

• Activity/Technical Assistance

- Since August 21, DGA has received three (3) funding resource requests related to municipal water infrastructure and small business start-ups for restaurants.
- Assistance has been provided to departments requiring support with the grant process, including the County Manager's Office, ITS, Public Health, Planning, Parks, Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Community Resources, County Clerk, Board of Elections, Sheriff and Public Works. Of note:
 - Community Resources: While Community Resources had developed a strong project and application, due to the highly competitive field, the County was not awarded the WORC Round 6 grant for the Customized Healthcare Career Pathway Project. However, the debriefing letter indicated that the application was in the third percentile, and staff involved in the project will meet to discuss ways in which to bolster the application for the future.
 - Public Works:
 - The 2024 NBRC Timber for Transit Pre-Application was submitted, and the County was recently invited to move to the next phase, which involves the submission of a full application
 - DGA staff met with Julian Motola, Superintendent of SCIA, to discuss priority areas and future grant projects. DGA has begun seeking potential funding resources and will provide ongoing support as needed.
 - DGA staff has started collaboration with DPW staff related to the second phase of the Organics Management Plan construction of composting facilities and will help as needed in order to locate appropriate funding resources and preparation of an application.
 - ITS: NYS ConnectALL Municipal Infrastructure Request for Information submitted, pending further action or notification of award/declination for \$30 million grant proposal. County staff has been working w/ Empire State Development staff in addressing project questions and additional data.

• In-County Grant Readiness

- Grants Best Practices Training was provided to Community Resources, Public Health Fiscal Staff, and Probation. Altogether thirty one (31) County staff were trained since last month's report.
- Grants Capacity Surveys were issued to management representing the several Divisions/Departments DGA trained this year.
 - 75% of the Divisions/Departments surveyed reported that they are heavily involved in grant work (*engaged in 2 or more grants per year*).
 - When asked what factors play a role in preventing their Division /Department from engaging in grant-related initiatives, the top two barriers were identified as:
 - Capacity: staffing and time constraints present challenges related to grant administration and management.

- Project Readiness: They have ideas for projects, but they are not fully developed.
 - A majority of respondents indicated that they feel fairly confident in their ability to manage grants, but need additional training and technical support.
 - When asked to consider the unique needs of their staff in identifying what strategies would be helpful to support grant-related work overall, the top two needs requested are project planning strategies & tools, and management/organizational tips.
- Compliance-Related Advisories: Two advisories were issued in order to inform County staff of two important areas.
 - DGA staff identified issues with the recently implemented grant module of the NY Statewide Financial System. The communication advised staff to carefully review contracts housed in the system, and confirm that contracts are fully executed prior to incurring expenses under a grant.
 - Information related to the upcoming October 1 update to the Code of Federal Regulation (aka “Uniform Guidance”) was shared along with information about a training webinar.
- Private Charitable Funding: DGA staff recently raised a question related to private charitable foundation funding resources, some of which are open to local governments. In the event private charitable funding opportunities are located that could fund various County initiatives, County Attorney Office has recommended that an appropriate process be in place to vet the funding agency with the State or other appropriate agency with proper jurisdiction to do so. DGA staff intends to adopt this practice as part of its regular operating protocols.

V. AGRICULTURE & FARMLAND PROTECTION

- CCE August 2024 Ag report attached

AUGUST 2024 AG REPORT

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

Farm Visits: 5 Technical Assistance/Inquiries: 138 Soil/Hay Tests: 15

Business Planning, Tax Forms, Ag Assessments, Beginner Farmer, NRCS programs, Markets in Sullivan County, FSA Farm ID numbers, Establishing a business in NYS, 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 35 contacts on soil testing, native plants, pest ID, plant ID, wild hog, Asian jumping worm, blueberry diseases. Invasive Species tabling continues at Sullivan Fresh markets, outreach materials (trading cards, invasive prize wheel, stickers, brochure, and posterboard – AND newly printed tote bags & lunch boxes!)

Catskills Kitchen: Technical Assistance was provided to 8 contacts on 20c licensing, starting a commercial kitchen, Department of Health and NYS Ag and Markets regulations, developing value added products, catering, starting a baking business, packaging and labeling.

PAST WORKSHOPS

Soil Health and SARE Grants Webinar 08/01: 54 registered 16 attended Candice Huber with SARE walked folks through the farmer grant proposal and application process. Brooke Singer, with White Feather Farm and the Carbon Sponge Hub, presented on how the project used their SARE Grant to promote sustainable agricultural practices, continue their carbon sequestration efforts, and launch their soil health regeneration project.

Swales: Water Management for Farms at Unbroken Acres 08/05: 20 registered, 11 attended. Owner and operator of Unbroken Acres, Anna Zabirova, and owner and operator of Let It Grow Landscapes, guided a farm tour at Unbroken Acres, explaining examples of water management techniques. Participants learned how to use grade & swales on contour to focus on water movement, to work with water on the farm and how to help mitigate the potential effects of climate change on the land.



FAMACHA Certification 8/9: 12 attendees received FAMACHA training for detecting parasite load in small ruminants and understanding how to effectively manage. Participants received an on farm demonstration of the 5 point check and their famacha cards.

Farmer Mixer at Gorzynski Orner Farm 8/13: 31 attended. An informal farmer networking event for aspiring, beginner, and seasoned farmers. Owner, John Gorzynski, led a farm tour of the property focusing on their diversified vegetable production operation and systems.

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

- Farm Beginnings: How to Start Your Own Farm (9/10)
- Silvopasture-Forest Grazing Workshop (9/12)
- Tractor Operation Training (9/13)
- Native species of the northeast (9/14)
- Farmer Mixer at Unbroken Acres (9/17)
- Farm Business 4 Session Training Series (October-November)
- Farmer Mixer at Gael Roots Farm (10/1)

LAND ACCESS, AG ZONING, FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROJECTS

SC Ag Board & Ag Districts: The Ag District inclusions were approved at the County Legislative meeting. Staff are in the process of putting together the report to send to NYS Ag and Markets. From there, the landowners and municipalities will be notified.



SC Ag and Farmland Protection Board: The Board is having their next meeting in September. Potential projects and topics the board are discussing and looking into are a farmland preservation program for the County, ag training for municipal officials and emergency management for agriculture.

Municipal Ag Training Series: CCE Sullivan, the County Ag Board, SC Planning and the CCE Agri-Tourism program work team are offering a training series on ag for municipal officials.

- **PART 1: Municipal Farm Tour at Somewhere in Time Farm (9/24) 5:30pm-7pm**
- **PART 2: Community Agritourism Workshop (10/2) In person, 6-8pm**
- **PART 2: Community Agritourism Workshop (10/9) Webinar: 6-8pm**
- **PART 3: Land Protection (More info to come)**

SPECIAL PROJECTS

2024 Beginner Farmer Mentorship Cohort – We have moved into the second half of the 2024 Mentorship Program. Mentors and mentees continue to attend farmer networking opportunities. The mentees attend monthly workshops and work towards their farm business goals alongside their mentors. The next Mentorship Cohort Meet Up will be on September 25th, and CCE staff will provide a presentation on our Community Cupboard & Mobile Market Program and the farmers markets in Sullivan County. The application window for the 2025 Beginner Farmer Mentorship Cohort will open on September 30th

Farm to School:

In partnership with Sullivan 180 and other non-profit organizations and schools districts, a two day training on Farm to School for Food Service staff was hosted at the Center for Discovery on 8/21 and 8/22. Participants learned how to make farm fresh school meals from the Lenox Hill Teaching Kitchen and learned knife skills and received Serve Safe Training from SUNY Sullivan. CCE partnered to bring local farm ingredients to the conference and to provide a wellness break for participants.



Photo Credit: Sullivan 180



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Division of Community Resources Monthly Report October 2024

Office for the Aging (OFA) August 2024 Monthly Report

Monthly Accomplishments

OFA Director:

- 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 600.
- Four Year Plan development of goals and content ongoing.
- Budget preparation along with Full-Charge Bookkeeper for 2025.
- Preparations for RSVP luncheon ongoing.
- Annual Public Hearing and Senior Resource Fair confirmed for October 24th, 10am-2pm at the Government Center.
- Preparation for submission of competitive application for three-year AmeriCorps RSVP program.
- Continued distribution of free COVID test kits to community organizations.
- OFA Advisory meeting held August 21, presentation of Four-Year Plan goals.

RSVP:

- ❖ Over 1,386 hours volunteered in August with a value of \$46,417.14 according to <https://independentsector.org/resource/value-of-volunteer-time/>
- ❖ Recruitment efforts for RSVP Coordinator ongoing.
- ❖ Volunteer Recognition luncheon planning and logistics ongoing.

Nutrition:

	Units:	Clients:	Contributions:
Homebound:	1,761	104	\$1,426.00
Congregate			
served at home:	166	12	
Congregate			
served at sites:	594	88	\$716.00
TOTALS:	2,512	204	\$2,142.00

- ❖ Partnered with Federation for the Homeless and a local Callicoon farm that donated fresh corn, tomatoes, cucumbers and other fresh vegetables to the HDM program. Care packages were given to all our senior nutrition participants.

Transportation:

- 101 SCT (Sullivan County Transportation) Medical Trips
- 191 SCT Shopping Trips
- 46 RSVP Medical Trips
- 48 Congregate Nutrition Site Transportation

Legal referrals: 15 individuals received legal assistance through Rural Law Center of NY.

Caregiver Resource Center (CRC)

Caregiver support groups are offered for caregivers of someone with dementia or Alzheimer's Disease:

(registration required)

Caregiver Café' (In person): Aug. 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 21.

September's support group had 7 attendees.

Starting in October we will be going back to 10-11am time.

Virtual/zoom: 2nd Wednesday each month 6pm-7pm. July through December 2024
Aug. group had 2 attendees, Sept. had 2 attendees.

A **Parkinson's Support group** is now meeting monthly 2nd Wed - 4pm – 5:30
at 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 by 6-8 people and is open to new members.

Bone Builders (Osteoporosis prevention). Started Sept. 19 and will run through Nov. 20, to be held weekly on Thursdays from 11-12 @ CCE Sullivan.
The class is now closed and 25 people are registered.

CRC Information, Assistance & Referral calls for August: 21
Support Groups held: 3 with 12 total attendees

Tai Chi for Arthritis & Falls Prevention – Tai Chi Stage 2 series will be held Oct 21 – Dec. 12 from 1-2pm on Mondays & Thursdays weekly.
The class is currently full with 15 people registered.

Upcoming Workshops:**Empowered Caregiver Series – Via Zoom**

This is a free weekly zoom workshop to be held on Fridays from 1-2pm.

Dates: Oct. 4, Oct. 11, Oct. 18, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1

Registration is required: www.sullivanccce.org/events

Oct. 15 – 3 pm – 4:15 pm.

Keep Them Safe – A Caregiver's Guide to a Safe Home – with Lynda Shrager, OT, MSW, CAPS

Will be held virtually and/or In-person at CCE Sullivan

Free but registration is required

NY Connects:

- 157 contacts for August.

HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program):

- ❖ 26 clients served.

PERS (Personal Emergency Response System):

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

EISEP (Expanded In Home Services for Elderly Program):

EISEP statistics for July, with May/June for comparison	May	June	July	August
EISEP FULL-SERVICE CASEFILES during August	totals	totals	totals	totals
Casefiles already open as of 8/1/2024**	28	31	35	39
Casefiles newly opened 08/01/2024-8/31/2024	6	4	3	3
Casefiles closed 08/01/2024-08/31/2024	(3)	(0)	(0)	(0)
NON-EISEP open CSE case transferred to EISEP			1	
Casefiles open as of 08/31/2024**	31	35	39	42

Sullivan County Youth Bureau:

- #SCYouthbureauummeradventures is a big hit. We've had 754 impressions (# of times it's been on someone's screen), 697 reaches (# of people who saw it) and 19 engagements (people who either liked, commented or shared them.) Special Thank you to Teresa Bortree from OFA for assisting with this endeavor.
- Site visits conducted at Fort Delaware, Center for Discovery, Town of Mamakating, Bethel Woods, Town of Thompson and Town of Tusten, CCE-Ag Education, Koinonia and Town of Highland.
- 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 157 impressions, 137 reaches and 10 engagements.
- Attended Municipal Youth Bureau discussion with NYS Youth Bureau Association.
- 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. A second reminder was sent out on 8/16/24.

- Created new County Reimbursement Checklist to allow for new contracts/claims to be tracked.
- Created new checklist to track new applications.
- Attended CCE Advisory Committee Meeting.
- Attended Youth Internship Celebration at Sullivan 180.
- Conducted a radio interview on WJFF to talk about the new funding.

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	43	32	101	191	40	478
September						
October						
November						
December						

Move Sullivan

- ✓ Received approval from NYS Department of Transportation for expansion of three additional routes. Working with Rolling V on logistics and start date.
- ✓ Reminder: expansion routes include a 1-hour shuttle in liberty; a 1-hour shuttle in Monticello and a 1-hour route covering Livingston Manor, Roscoe, Callicoon Center, Jeffersonville, Youngsville, White Sulphur Springs, and Liberty.
- ✓ All new routes link up with transfer points to the other routes.

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	347
August	605 (22 days)	13,320	337
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 monthly food distributions at the Transportation building.
- ✓ The food distribution days are increasing to three days per month beginning in October.
- ✓ The Catskill Food Hub is a critical partner whose relationship with local farmers and Growing Soul provides the rest of our distributed food.
- ✓ 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. The Coalition hosted a quarterly *Food Pantry Coffee Klatch* was held September 9. Camille O'Brien presented information on the Division of Family Service's Unit Us platform.



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Narrative of Resolution:

Approve 2024-2025 Allocation of State Aid to Youth Development

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: \$134,416.00 STATE FUNDS

Are funds already budgeted? Yes

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

INTRODUCED BY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO APPROVE 2024-2025 ALLOCATION OF STATE AID TO YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2024 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025.

WHEREAS, Sullivan County and its municipalities are eligible to receive local assistance funds for the 2024-2025 Youth Development projects; and

WHEREAS, the Sullivan County Youth Advisory Board recommends the allocation of Office of Children and Family Services State aid to the following projects, in amounts not to exceed those listed:

State Youth Development Program Funding

Town of Cohecton-Youth Recreation	\$5,000
Town of Fallsburg-Youth Commission Holiday Mountain	\$2,000
Town of Fallsburg-Youth Commission Kartrite Trip	\$1,000
Town of Fallsburg-Youth Commission Museum of Natural History	\$3,000
Town of Mamakating-Youth Recreation	\$5,000
Town of Neversink-Summer Camp	\$5,000
Town of Thompson-Youth Monthly Events	\$1,000
Town of Thompson-Recreational/Cultural Excursions	\$4,000
Town of Tusten-Youth Club	\$5,000
Village of Monticello-Civic Engagement Day	\$3,000
Bethel Woods Center for the Arts, Inc.-Project Identity	\$2,000
The Center for Discovery-Farm Education for Children with Developmental Disabilities	\$3,000
Hurleyville Performing Arts Center-Kids Enrichment Junction	\$3,000

Mamakating Library-Story Trail	\$1,800
Nesin Cultural Arts, Inc.-Connect to Your Future	\$2,500
Nesin Cultural Arts, Inc.-Dance and Movement	\$1,125
Nesin Cultural Arts, Inc.-Music Theory & Composition	\$1,000
Nesin Cultural Arts, Inc.-Musical Theatre	\$1,000
Nesin Cultural Arts, Inc. -Special Needs Adaptive Lessons	\$1,500
Sullivan 180-MLK Day of Service/2024 Youth Summit	\$2,500
Town of Wallkill Boys & Girls Club- Project Triple Club	
Monticello	\$5,000
Tusten Social-Afterschool Teen Program	\$2,500
County of Sullivan Administrative Costs	\$10,752

Youth Sports & Education Opportunity Funding (YSEP)

Town of Fallsburg - Youth Basketball	\$3,750
Town of Fallsburg - Youth Soccer	\$2,750
Town of Fallsburg - Swim Program	\$3,788
Town of Thompson - Youth Sports Program	\$7,500
County of Sullivan Administrative Costs	\$3,139

Youth Team Sports (YTS)

Hudson Valley Athletic Club	\$35,540
County of Sullivan Administrative Costs	\$6,272

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature, for the County of Sullivan, approve the allocation of Office of Children and Family Services State aid to the aforementioned list of youth development projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and hereby is authorized to execute any and all necessary documentation and papers in connection herewith, in such form as approved by the Sullivan County Department of Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above-mentioned allocations and contracts will be contingent upon the County's receiving continued State aid at anticipated funding levels.

Sullivan County

Legislative Memorandum

File #: ID-6817

Agenda Date: 10/10/2024

Agenda #: 2.

Narrative of Resolution:

Authorize a letter of intent and execution of a contract of sale for the purchase of property in the Town of Mamakating which lies adjacent to County property (D&H Interpretive Center). The 7.7 acre parcel contains 0.65 miles of the O&W rail bed and is appraised at \$60,000. Funding is not currently budgeted, however, this property has been discussed with the County Manager and funding has been identified should the Legislature move forward with the resolution.

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: \$60,000

Are funds already budgeted? No

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures:

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES
COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE TO
AUTHORIZE A LETTER OF INTENT AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT OF SALE AND RELATED
CLOSING DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF
MAMAKATING**

WHEREAS, Sullivan County currently owns a 43.8 acre parcel, SBL 15.-1-30 in the Town of Mamakating which includes the D&H Canal Interpretive Center as well as more than one mile of the O&W Rail bed; and

WHEREAS; a 7.77 acre property with Town of Mamakating SBL 7.-1-16, located adjacent to the County parcel, is available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, this parcel contains an additional 0.65 miles of the O&W Rail bed and is desired for the purpose of eliminating on road connections and creating a more seamless trail connection on the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail; and

WHEREAS, the property has been appraised by a certified appraiser and valued at a fair market value of \$60,000; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sullivan desires to advance the O&W Rail Trail project by purchasing the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature, or her designate, is hereby authorized to execute a Letter of Intent, Contract of Sale and all related closing documents, for the purchase of land described above, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such Letter of Intent, Contract of Sale and related closing documents shall be in such form as approved by the County Attorney.

Sullivan County

Legislative Memorandum

File #: ID-6818

Agenda Date: 10/10/2024

Agenda #: 3.

Narrative of Resolution:

Design has been progressed to a point where the County is in a position to initiate the SEQRA process for the development of the Callicoon Riverside Park. The first step in this process is to seek Lead Agency Status, which is the purpose of this resolution.

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 AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES
COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF SULLIVAN TO PURSUE LEAD AGENCY
STATUS FOR THE SEQRA PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF CALLICOON
RIVERSIDE PARK, IN THE HAMLET OF CALLICOON**

WHEREAS, The County of Sullivan has proposed the creation of a new riverside park on an abandoned campground on the banks of the Delaware River; and

WHEREAS, The County of Sullivan has purchased a large parcel of land for the purpose of creating this park; and

WHEREAS, the Project is subject to the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) as defined in Title 5 NYCRR Section 617; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the SEQRA requirements, the County of Sullivan is eligible to act as Lead Agency for the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature does hereby authorize the County of Sullivan to pursue designation of and act as Lead Agency for the SEQRA process for the Project.

Sullivan County

Legislative Memorandum

File #: ID-6819

Agenda Date: 10/10/2024

Agenda #: 4.

Narrative of Resolution:

Friends of the Upper Delaware will be filing a USEPA Change Grant application. There are several County projects that could benefit from the award of these funds, such as the O&W Rail Trail, workforce development, and resiliency in communities. This resolution would authorize execution of an agreement to formalize a partnership between the County and FUDR for the purpose of administration of funding and project management associated with a U.S. EPA Change Grant, in support of the application.

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 AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH FRIEND OF THE UPPER DELAWARE RIVER TO ASSIST IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S CHANGE GRANT

WHEREAS, Friends of the Upper Delaware River ("FUDR") intends to apply for a grant through the US Environmental Protection Agency's ("US EPA") Community Change Grant Program ("Grant") for projects in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, the Grant encourages partnerships to manage a broader spectrum of project components intended to create significant changes in Climate Justice Communities; and

WHEREAS, FUDR's proposed grant projects support County objectives such as the build out of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail ("SOWRT"), resiliency in communities, and workforce development.

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 an agreement with Friends of the Upper Delaware River to formalize a partnership between the County and FUDR for the purpose of administration of funding and project management associated with a U.S. EPA Change Grant, in such form as the County attorney shall approve.

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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100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

File #: ID-6820

Agenda Date: 10/10/2024

Agenda #: 5.

Narrative of Resolution:

Authorize financial support to the Sullivan County Land Bank for FY2024. \$100,000 is budgeted in A8020-90-46-4609 and \$100,000 in A8020-90-47-4752.

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

Amount to be authorized by Resolution: \$200,000

Are funds already budgeted? Yes

Specify Compliance with Procurement Procedures: A8020-90-46-4609 & A8020-90-47-4752

WHEREAS, Resolution 286-16 authorized the formation and incorporation of the Sullivan County Land Bank Corporation (SCLBC) pursuant to §1603 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law and the expenditure of \$100,000 for Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 470-16 authorized financial and in-kind support for the SCLBC for Fiscal Years 2017 & 2018; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 161-19 authorized financial and in-kind support for the SCLBC for Fiscal Year 2019; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 183-22 authorized financial and in-kind support for the SCLBC for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 153-22 authorized financial and in-kind support for the SCLBC for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County has allocated \$100,000 in the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget to fund the SCLBC to further its mission and operations; and

WHEREAS, the County has allocated \$100,000 in the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget to fund the SCLBC for programmatic expenses related to the demolition of blighted buildings; and

WHEREAS, a shared services agreement outlining the roles and responsibilities between the SCLBC and the County is beneficial to both parties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sullivan County Legislature hereby authorizes the execution of an agreement with SCLBC and the expenditure of funds in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized to sign the agreement for Fiscal Year 2024 in a form approved by the County Attorney.