

Division of Community Resources Monthly Report

July 2026

Office for the Aging (OFA)

Director's Report, May 2026

- 27 home visits by case management staff for assessments, reassessments, and application assistance.
- 27 applications for SNAP, Medicaid, Medicare Savings, and Temporary Assistance.
- Participated in several New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) training webinars and program update calls.
- Attended Tusten Social Senior Fair and SUNY Sullivan Kite Fest and provided information to attendees about OFA services and supports.
- Provided in-service for local Social Security Administration employees.
- Launched access to VIVO, an online exercise class sponsored by NYSOFA.
- Facilitate and hosted an online webinar provided by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) to provide information about scams and frauds that target older adults.
- Attended Older New Yorker's Day in Albany-hosted by NYSOFA to honor exceptional volunteers from around NY State and brought Virdanna Lawrence and Clarence Rundle, our local honorees.
- Conducted interviews for Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) Case Management Specialist and Nutrition Site Aide positions.
- Participated in planning meeting for Food Security Coalition, attended and helped facilitate Food Pantry Gathering.



Sullivan Volunteers

- Four new volunteers enrolled
- Assisted High School students with volunteer opportunities for their community service graduation requirement
- Attended online training seminars through Idealist
- Completed County Leadership Training
- Planning for the 2026 Volunteer Fair
- Planning for the 2026 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
- Volunteers provided 44 rides for medical appointments.
- 1,457 hours volunteered in May with a value of \$ 56,065 according to IndependentSector.org



Nutrition Program

- Nutrition Staff completed the NYSOFA Nutrition Food Safety Course and received certification.

<u>Service Type</u>	<u>Meals Served</u>	<u>Clients Served</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
Home-Delivered	2,464	132	\$986.00
Congregate Site	510	78	\$603.00
Total	2,974	210	\$1589.00

Transportation Services

- 129 medical trips (SCT).
- 175 shopping trips (SCT).
- 44 Sullivan Volunteer medical transports.
- 35 rides to congregate meal sites. (SCT)

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

Nothing to report for May.

Legal Assistance

7 households assisted through Rural Law Center of NY.



Caregiver Resource Center (CRC)

Upcoming Event:

“KNOW YOUR NUMBERS” Screening will be held Tuesday, July 21 from 10-12pm at Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan. A chance for residents to get their total cholesterol, LDL & HDL, triglycerides glucose, and blood pressure taken.

Registration suggested but not required. To register: <https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4>

This is a free event hosted by CCE Sullivan’s Caregiver Resource Center, in collaboration with Garnet Health, the Office for the Aging, and the Alzheimer’s Association.

Evidence-based Health Promotion:

The Wellness Initiative for Senior Education (WISE):

A 6-week WISE series is scheduled in June for seniors in the Town of Highland.

Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention -

The Tai Chi Stage 2 series completed on May 5th.

A beginners Tai Chi series started on April 27 and will go through June 18.

A once/week summer series will be held June 30 – Aug. 4th. (Class is full)

Another will be scheduled for Fall.

Two Bone Builders Spring Series completed

Bone Builders was completed on May 7 at CCE Sullivan in Liberty with 12 seniors completing the series.

Bone Builders at the Western Sullivan Public Library, Jeffersonville was completed on May 21st with 8 seniors completing the series.

We plan to offer another series this Fall in September.

Announcements will be made and flyers sent for registration as well as on CCE's events page: www.sullivanccce.org/events.

Caregiver Support Groups

Caregiver Café: Changing to 2nd Monday each month 10-11am in July

Held May 4 and June 1st from 10-11am at CCE Sullivan's board room

Upcoming dates: July 13, Aug 10

Virtual support group: 3rd Wednesday each month 6-7pm:

Held May 27

Upcoming dates: June 17, July 15th

Parkinson's Support Group the 1st Wednesday of each month from 4-5:00 pm at CCE Sullivan.

Held: April 1, May 6, June 3.

Upcoming dates: July 1, Aug. 5

of Information & Assistance calls:

May- 21

April - 34

Workshops & Presentations:

Building Brain Healthy Habits

CCE Sullivan on June 9 & June 16:

Loch Sheldrake Seniors June 3rd

Monticello Seniors June 25th

Three ways to Register for support groups or other events:

- **Call (845) 292-6180 ext. 122**
- **Email: sullivanccrc@cornell.edu**
- **Go to <https://tinyurl.com/5n6mtpy4>**



NY Connects

- 200 individuals served in May.
- 3 outreach events in May:

5/2/2026 Kite Festival at SUNY Sullivan

5/6/2026 Loch Sheldrake Senior Group



HIICAP (HEALTH INSURANCE & INFORMATION COUNSELING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

57 Individuals received counseling



PERS (PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM)

20 clients currently enrolled through Community Services for the Elderly (CSE), EISEP, and Title III-E funding.



EISEP – Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program

Status

Number

Active Cases

30

Closed Cases

0

Waitlist

16- added 3,

Closed 1 (1 moved with family w/
alternative care)

Hours Authorized May

1,185

Hours Provided May

836.75



Sullivan County Youth Bureau

- Attended the Youth Bureau monthly call with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS).
- Continued Youth Bureau outreach through Facebook and Instagram. Posts generated 3,208 views and 29 interactions. In comparison, May 2025 posts generated 2,790 views and 25 interactions.
- Attended the Hudson Valley Youth Bureau Association Marketing Subcommittee meeting. The committee continues to work on branding and messaging.
- Presented to Liberty Rotary on the role and work of the Youth Bureau.
- Participated in a New York State OCFS call regarding changes to the claiming deadline and claims submission process.

- Created contracts, Schedules of Service, award letters, contract approval letters, and the resolution for Legislative approval of Youth Bureau funding.
- Created policies and procedures related to Youth Bureau operations and processes.
- Attended newly instituted bi-monthly meetings with the Office for the Aging Director and Youth Bureau Assistant.
- Attended monthly Zoom call with the Chair of the Youth Bureau Advisory Board.

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Sullivan County Transportation

Sullivan County Transportation Department Ridership:

Month 2026	Veterans Medical Centers	Veterans In- County Medical	Senior Medicals	Shopping Buses	Seniors to Congregate Sites	Meals Delivered
January	33	26	95	144	28	561
February	32	17	102	119	34	392
March	41	31	132	167	41	52
April	42	30	145	169	44	26
May	41	22	129	175	39	21
June						
July						
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
Totals						

Move Sullivan Public Transit Ridership:

Move Sullivan 2026	Average Daily Ridership	Monthly Ridership	Monthly Paratransit
January	488 (19 days)	9,266	284
February	469 (19 days)	8,917	298
March	541 (22 days)	11,893	385
1st Quarter Totals		30,076	967
April	517 (22 days)	11,374	356
May	563 (20 days)	11,266	373
June			
2nd Quarter Totals			
July			
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 20 food pantries who attend our thrice monthly food distributions at the Transportation building.
- ✓ Support HV Food Bank monthly mobile pantry efforts in town of Freemont.
- ✓ The team continues to provide referral and assistance to callers looking information and/or resources.
- ✓ The CAC has seen an increase in requests for food assistance deliveries as well as connections to community resources.

