# Tier I Minutes Tuesday, June 6, 2017

**In attendance**: Jill Dillon, Rebecca Carson, Ann Edwards-Dickerson, Autumn White, Michelle Marshall, Natalee Caroll, Jon Switzer, Shirley Elizondo, Colleen Scott, Vallie Castner, Karen Hadley, John Jenkins, Angela Druker, Amanda Belle-Smith, Stacy Wormuth, Lisa Principio, Zach Levanduski, Christine Yonge, Carol Schreiner, Connie Baughman, Alicia Avellandra, Danielle Dutcher, Samantha Bell, Trina Fletcher, Rebecca Carson,

## **Updates**:

DSS

- The air conditioning program is open.
- Foster Care Classes start in July. Call Jill if interested!
- See the DSS facebook page for information.

## <u>Youth Bureau</u>

- Extending the Distinguished Youth Award application for youth ages 14 21.
- For information and updates check out the Youth Bureau facebook page.

## Pro Action/Family Development

- Trina Fletcher oversees 2 programs, Youth Life Skills for at risk children ages 10 18 and the Adult Program that serves low income families that have problems meeting basic needs.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month Baby Story Time is held at the Penn Yan Library.
- Between those Baby Story Times Trina offers to any family not enrolled in Early Head Start, Head Start, Happy Families, Public Health a free informational meeting where parents can fill out an Ages and Stages Questionnaire.
- If working with a mom with a newborn child, or up to school age, that is not enrolled in one of the above programs Trina is willing to meet with them anytime.
- Trina can be contacted at 315-536-5515 or fletchert@proactioninc.org

<u>Our Town Rocks</u>

- Go & Show Car Show June 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Community Gathering June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Presbyterian Church.
- Women's Cancer Support Group is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7 PM.
- OTR is moving to the Fabric Shop at the end of the month.
- Karen's position is done at the end of June.

#### FLACRA

- Children and Youth Care Management was extended into Yates County in December.
- Samantha Bell, Adult Care Manager is new to the area.
- Referrals can be found on the FLACRA website.

#### Healthy Families (Child and Family Resources)

- A community baby shower is being planned for some time in August.
- They are currently looking for a place to hold the event. If you can help with a location contact Colleen Scott.
- Also looking for agencies to partner with for this event.
- Moms get a gift bag or diaper bag with goodies.

## Workforce Development

Have youth ages 14- 20 looking for summer employment. 6 – 8 weeks of work.

## Pathstone Corp

- Section 8 program through Pathstone Corp. has referral forms they will forward to the appropriate agency to help those at risk of losing assistance.
- Has started Summer Tree program where businesses and individuals can donate toys for outside play. Children, along with their parents, can come to pick up a toy free.

## Rushville Family Health Center

- At the last Food Pantry in May, 113 families were served
- Next Food Pantry will be June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Registration is open for the 5<sup>th</sup> Health Fair to be held August 4<sup>th</sup>.

## NY State of Health

• Autumn White is NY State of Health of Navigator and facilitator at DSS. If you need assistance with the call 211 to set an appointment.

Fatherhood Connection

• Started a new short, 6 week class last night.

Law NY

- Holding a free, 30 minute legal consultation for veterans, June 13<sup>th</sup> and July 6<sup>th</sup>, at the VA. Volunteer attorneys will be available to discuss child support questions.
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# **Presentation: Catholic Charities**

## Rebecca Carson

- Catholic Charities has been in operation for 35 years.
- Some of the areas they focus on are: case management, emergency assistance, wellness assistance, targeted regional permanency and supervised visitations.
- In 2016 they provided 2,006 supervised visitations.
- Visitations are held at Catholic Charities settings, in homes, at DSS.
- Visits are recorded as they occur to be submitted to case workers.
- Catholic Charities will soon be doing a "coached visitation model" versus supervised visitations.
- The new focus will be on meeting with parents prior to visits to discuss the needs of the child. During the visit the visitation specialist will coach and, or, model whatever may be needed. At the end of the visit there is a de-briefing period.
- Target date is the end of July to have enough staff trained in the new process.

# <u>Trainings, Workshops, etc.</u>

• Contact Trina Fletcher if interested in mental health training for certification at <u>fletchert@proactioninc.org</u> or 315-536-5515 x 4410.

#### **Community Needs:**

• There was a recent fire in Dundee which displaced 2 families, 16 people in all. Jill will try to get more information and send out an email.

#### Other notes:

If you would like to present or hear from a specific agency, please contact Jill Dillon at <u>Jillian.Dillon@dfa.state.ny.us</u>. If you have anything to share with the group before our next meeting please e-mail the information to Ann Edwards-Dickerson at <u>edwards-dickersona@proactioninc.org</u>

## Next Meeting: August 1, 2017

## • There will be no Tier I meeting in July due to the holiday

Respectfully submitted, Ann Edwards-Dickerson