

Tier I Minutes  
Tuesday, May 1, 2018

**In attendance:** Ann Edwards-Dickerson, Jillian Dillon, Brandi Sears, Chris Yonge, Jenn Welch, Zach Levanduski, Carol Schreiner, Connie Baughman, Kahla Dombroski, Idelle Dillon, Stacy Wormuth, Dori Shaner, Melanie Sullivan, Vallie Castner, Colleen Scott, Autumn White, Tracey Clark, Amanda Belle-Smith, Ria Lepp, Lisa Sweeney, Mary Wilson, Gabrielle Wheeler, Shannon Leavy, Megan Cheasman, Joy Penn-Giustiniani.

**Updates:**

**DSS**

- HEAP Cooling Program starts May 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> or until there is no more money. Applications are available at DSS. If somebody has a medical need for an air conditioner, there is documentation that is required from their medical provider.
- There are openings in the child care program with funding available.

**FLACRA**

- Melanie Sullivan, Keuka Housing Counsel, shared for FLACRA that they have a Rapid Rehousing program. The program is limited to 10 – 12 people and can help with rent and utilities so that people can remain in their homes. When the money runs out so does the service.

**Keuka Housing Council**

- There will be another First Time Home Buyers class this summer. Dates will be announced later.
- Still accepting applications for Credit and Budgeting class.
- There will be a Point in Time scheduled for some time in July. FLACRA is the lead agency and this is still in the planning stages. This is an event to go around the area and locate the homeless and get numbers. Adam Hunt is the contact person. His number is 315-536-8707 ex. 4
- KHC accepts applications on an ongoing basis for assistance with wells, septic and home repairs, as well as, mobile home replacement. There may be a waiting list but application can be made at any time.

**Safe Harbors**

- Shannon Leavy, joined our Tier I meeting for the first time, her position of Case Manager is a new position at Safe Harbor. Shannon will be working in association with the Safe Harbor Advocate, Megan Cheasman. Megan works with clients “in the moment of crisis”. Shannon will be doing the longer term case management.

*See attached flyer*

**Finger Lakes Parent Network**

- The agency is meeting with 19 families, with a total of 38 children, offering advocacy assistance wherever they need it, at no charge to the family. There is a support group meeting 2 times a month, peer advocacy, respite. This is not an income based program. Intakes are now taken through the Bath office.
- Job openings area available for child care workers and skill builders.

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

- There are a couple of Together Time classes still to be held. Classes are Monday mornings 9:30a – 11:00a at Child and Family Resources.
- Baby Café is the first and third Thursday of the Month 9:30a – 11:00a at the library and Saturdays 9:30a – 11:00a.
- The program is looking for ways to increase the number of participants. If you have any suggestions please contact the agency directly.

### Care Net of Penn Yan

- May 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 – 8:30 pm and May 12<sup>th</sup> from 1pm – 2pm Penn Yan Martial Arts will present Women's Self Defense Empowerment. An opportunity for women to learn self-defense techniques. *See attached flyer.*

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- For appointment call 211 Help Line.

### Fidelis Care

- May is Health Vision Month and Mental Health Month. If there are any agencies that will be holding related events, contact Fidelis. They would like to participate in those events.
- July is National Ice Cream Month and Fidelis will be partnering with local ice cream stores. If you know of any ice cream stores that may be interested they can contact Tracey Clark at [tclark@fideliscare.org](mailto:tclark@fideliscare.org).
- Last week Fidelis had 97 job openings and 156 openings the prior week. If you know of anyone looking for employment they can locate hiring information on their website.

### Big Brothers Big Sisters

- There is a desperate need for volunteers in Yates County. There are youth that have been on the waiting list for up to 2 years. If you, or somebody you know, has the time to share with a youth, BBBS is looking for volunteers 18 years and older to work with youth 9 to 16 years old. Check out their website: <https://beabig.org/>

### Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes

- The agency will be sponsoring Sharing the Light Award Dinner on June 14th at Hobart and William Smith College. Time is 5:30 p.m. This program is to honor those that have given their time and talent in the community. If you want to participate, contact Rhonda at 315-789-2686 ex. 104, or, go to <http://catholiccharitiesfl.org/> to register.
- The targeted Regional and Permanency Program, a support program for adoption and guardian families can work with children up to age 21. To qualify they must be able to provide certificate of guardianship or adoption. There is no income criteria or time restraints for participation. Looking for families, especially in Yates County.

*Flyer and application attached.*

### Rushville Health Center

- April 19<sup>th</sup> the Rushville food pantry served 107 families, 421 individuals. The pantry is held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Rushville Health fair, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. In the evening there will be an outdoor movie for families and serving popcorn and ice cream. Anyone interested may contact Stacy Wormuth.

### Penn Yan Community Health

- Still doing the blood pressure monitoring program. *See attached flyer*

### Workforce Development

- Another Job Fair will be held June 14<sup>th</sup> at Yates Community Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This job fair will be targeted for human services, schools, not for profit, public sector and health care.
- Christine Yonge, Youth Counselor, works with youth 16-24 years of age. Youth can work on getting their GED, job training, employment, building job skills, learning financial literacy. This is a year round program.
- Zach Levandoski requests anyone you know that may need help on where to look for work, that has been work displaced, etc., to contact their office for assistance.

Clothing Closet is open to loan clothes and taking donations. Accepting work/interview appropriate clothing. The closet is particularly in need of plus size clothing at this time. *See attached flyers*

### Yates County Public Health, Cancer Services Program

- Able to assist with cancer screenings for men and women age 15 years and older who are without insurance.

### ProAction Office for the Aging

- 120 families were served at the Dundee Mobile Food Pantry in April. The Dundee Mobile Food Pantry is held the last Friday of the month at the Town Barn, Dundee Glenora Road.

### Council on Alcoholism and Addictions of the Finger Lakes/Yates Substance Abuse Committee

- A Community Café will be held Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6pm – 7pm at the Penn Yan Public Library. Planned is a 20 minute presentation with discussion afterwards on the history of heroin use in Yates County, its current impact on the community and plans going forward to deal with the issue.
- June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Yates Community Center at 6pm there will be a presentation of Hidden in Plain Sight open to the general public. See more about this on their website, <http://councilonalcoholismfingerlakes.org/>
- Yates Substance Abuse Coalition meetings are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. May 16<sup>th</sup> is the next monthly meeting at 4pm at the Methodist Church. All community members are welcome.

### TANIF Life Skills

- This 6 week, curriculum based program tailored for the individual family. The goal is to look at the financial picture, what they have, what do they need, how can they look at things differently. Eligibility requires at least one child in the household 18 years of age or younger, or, 19 and attending a BOCES program. The participating adult(s) can be non-custodial parent, a pregnant woman. Participation can be based on income percentage, or, if receiving Medicaid, SSI, Snap, HEAP, reduced school lunch. Worker can meet with the family at their home, at a public place, in the office.
- At the end of the program there is a \$100 incentive available in the form of a one time payment on a bill, a gas card, gift card, grocery card, etc. or take the family out to eat.

### Presentation:

#### Trainings, Workshops, etc.

- **Safe Harbors** is offering a free training Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm – 8pm, at Yates County Auditorium. This training will address sex trafficking and youth trafficking and to educate participants on how common trafficking is and how it can be displayed as something it is not.  
*See attached flyer.*
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### Community Needs:

- In need of a twin bed, mattress and springs and a dresser. Contact Ann Edwards-Dickerson at [edwards-dickersona@proactioninc.org](mailto:edwards-dickersona@proactioninc.org)

### Other notes:

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

**Next Meeting:** June 5, 2018

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann Edwards-Dickerson  
5/4/18