

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

May 1, 2023

Committee members: Carlie Chilson, Terry Button, Ed Bronson, Jesse Jayne (absent), Dick Harper

Others present: Bill Holgate, Bonnie Percy, Leslie Church, Dan Banach, Mark Morris, Doug Paddock, Tim Cutler, Pat Killen (left at 2:09 p.m.), Nonie Flynn, Steve Hampsey, Zack Housworth, Amy Miller, Doug Sinclair, George Roets, Douglas Gibbs, Jessica Mullins

Carlie & Dick will do the audit this month.

Minutes from the April meeting were approved as presented.

Legislative Zoom Attendees: 0 Other Zoom Attendees: 1

PUBLIC DEFENDER: Steve Hampsey

Steve reviewed the Grant Status Report and Statistic Report.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Zack Housworth

Zack reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved

- Authorization to Sign Annual Update and 4-Year Plan Review and Approval for the Yates County Area Agency on Aging

Zack reported that 2 individuals were referred for Legal Assistance services and 8.2 legal counsel hours were provided to 7 individuals in March. Zack reported that 1007 People were served via Information and Assistance in March. Zack reported that in regards to NY Connects, there were 15 units for 13 individuals in March.

Zack reported that in regards to HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program), 39 units for 35 individuals were provided in March for 1:1 counseling and they had 5 Individuals attend the Welcome to Medicare presentation.

Zack reported 228 medical trips were provided to 34 individuals and 61 non-medical trips were provided to 8 individuals in March.

Zack reported that the Yates Wellness Program currently offers Bone Builders, Beginner Tai Chi, Intermediate Tai Chi, Advanced Tai Chi, Walk with Ease, and Bingocize. Bone Builders, which is the only class that is offered in person and on Zoom, other classes are all in-person.

Zack reported that they have 113 Personal Emergency Response System units in homes, with 1 second pendants in place, 10 panic buttons, 8 of the homes have the cellular PERS units and there are 3 Project Lifesaver customers.

Zack reported that they are currently serving 54 HDM and 4 grab and go meals, daily in Yates, they have 5 bulk, once a week deliveries, and it can fluctuate based on customer's schedules, hospitalizations, and family visits. Both of their hybrid congregate meal sites are operational and they are hoping that additional advertising along with nicer weather may help increase their numbers for these sites.

Zack reviewed the following EISEP cases indicating that the wait list currently has 5 people on it:

Traditional aid service	PCI (housekeeping) = 18	PCII (personal care) = 2	Consumer
Directed Care	PCI = 4	PCII = 1	
III E Caregiver respite	PCI = 1	PCII = 2	

Zack reported that their contract for Consumer Directed care jumped from \$17.89 to \$24.40 per hour and it will have a direct impact on the number of hours provided to customers. They are researching their options such as a new vendor (none were listed by NYSOFA).

Zack reported that the Dundee Pop Up Pantry served 212 Households containing 299 Adults, 250 Children, and 159 Seniors.

Zack reported that they have completed the 2023 AU, have submitted all of the electronic portions of the document to NYSOFA, and they will submit the Authorization by mail once it is signed. While they do not have their final Notice of Grant Awards that provide them with the final budget numbers, the preliminary numbers provided by NYSOFA are a return to baseline funding now that the Emergency funding has been used. Funding lines such as EISEP (down by \$15,000) and CSE (up by \$16,350) may vary from previous years but our overall allocation appears it will be the same.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller

Amy reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved.

- Authorize Commissioner of Social Services to Fill Part-Time Employment and Training Assistant Position
- Authorize Contract with Cayuga Centers
- Amend Resolution No. 186-23 (Authorize Contracts)
- Authorize 2023 Yates County Youth Bureau Contracts
- Authorize Contract with Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene

Amy reported that their part time Employment and Training Assistant has resigned as she is relocating. Amy reviewed the summer schedule for FLCC classes.

Amy reported that as they continue to see families in need of services, they will be contracting with a new provider Cayuga Centers. The program is staffed with social workers called Resiliency Clinicians. Treatment will often focus on (but is not limited to):

- Initial and ongoing safety assessments
- Goal development and evaluation of progression
- Intensive family therapy
- Intensive skill building
- Assessment, management, and development of clinical skills
- Connections to services in the community
- Increase of formal and informal supports

Amy reported that INSYGHT continues to improve connection to and availability of services in the County. The following are some of their accomplishments:

- Introduction of High-Fidelity Wraparound Care Management Model to Yates County - Evidence Based Practice that provides High Intensity Wraparound Approach for at-risk youth regardless of Medicaid. Positive outcomes in the community include reduced rates of residential placement, reduction in Medicaid spending costs, improvements in areas of

trauma, behavioral health, child, and caregiver needs and functioning and child strengths, and increased youth empowerment.

- Development of Outpatient Behavioral Health Subcommittee resulting in collaboration between clinics and private Behavioral Health Providers and improved access to outpatient services for youth. (Including the opening of Dundee Satellite Clinic).
- Development of website hosting youth/family resource page and "no wrong door" location to seek help and connection to services. Social Media presence providing routine education and resources to the community.
- Embedding of Behavioral Intervention Specialist in Dundee Central Schools leading to positive Behavioral Health outcomes for the district.
- Received \$15000 grant through OMH to improve MH awareness and reduce stigma in YC - project fulfilled by 5/31/23.
- Workforce training & education provided to over 700 community-based providers and supports (end of Aug. 2022 - this has increased).
- Strengthened collaboration between youth & family serving systems: School districts, Social Services, Juvenile Justice, Developmental Disabilities, Mental Health and Community Services to best meet the needs of youth/families.
- Development of At-Risk Youth Committee putting focus on preventing youth involvement in JJ system.
- Member certification in Implementing Trauma Informed and Resiliency Care to bring to Yates.
- Change-Management workshop to strengthen vision and sustainability of Yates SOC with leadership.
- Partnership with Aspire Hope New York and the Office of Mental Health to strengthen family-driven systems approach in YC.

Amy reviewed the following Unemployment Rates:

	February 2023	February 2022	February 2021
Ontario	3.6	3.8	6.3
Seneca	4.0	4.1	7.2
Wayne	3.9	4.1	6.5
Yates	3.7	3.8	5.8
Monroe	4.0	4.2	7.3

PUBLIC HEALTH: Dr. Doug Sinclair

Doug reported that the New York State Department of Health had an unannounced site visit April 19-20 for the Article 28 Program (clinics) and they have to work with Buildings & Grounds to make small changes. They participated in National Drug Take-Back Day on April 21st and 54 vehicles and several pedestrians passed through the Yates County Sheriff site. The New York State Department of Health site visit for Early Childhood Intervention is scheduled for May 4th.

Doug reported that in regards to Health Education, they participated in the Oh Baby course for new and expecting mothers held April 20th and the Mental Health First Aid train the trainer course that was completed April 26th -28th.

Doug reported that in regards to Communicable Disease Prevention and Control, the Human Immunizations next monthly clinic is May 3rd from 8:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Public Health Clinic and the Rabies Immunizations next clinic is June 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Penn Yan Fireman’s Field.

Doug reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved.

- Authorize Director of Public Health to Reclassify a Position (Registered Nurse)

COMMUNITY SERVICES: George Roets

George reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved

- Authorize Chairwoman to Sign Contract with the Council on Addictions of the Finger Lakes (Federal Salary Sharing)
- Authorize Chairwoman to Sign Contract with the Finger Lakes Addiction Counseling and Referral Agency (Opioid Settlement)

George requested the tuition reimbursement for Lisa Principio.

George reported that 2 SAFE act reports were received and investigated. One was reported to DCJS.

George reported that Heal Study has been extended until 2024, the OASAS Opioid settlement planning is now underway, and the additional services funding under the Systems of Care Grant (iNSYGHT) has been approved.

George reported that in regards to AOT, there are 0 current cases and 0 investigations.

George reviewed the following program updates: Crisis Intervention Training (CIT), Columbia University HEALing Communities Study (HCS), Crisis Services Plan, Mozaic/Catholic Charities Developmental Services (Services/Residential), Yates Prevention Coalition, Children's Single Point of Access (C-SPOA), and 2023 NYS OASAS Opioid Settlement funding for Yates County.

VETERANS: Douglas Gibbs

Doug reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. After discussion the Committee approved

- Proclaim May 26th, 2023 as Poppy Day in Yates County
- Proclaim May 29th, 2023 as Memorial Day in Yates County
- Proclaim June 12th, 2023 as Women Veterans Day in Yates County
- Proclaim June 14th, 2023 as U.S. Army Birthday in Yates County

The Committee asked Doug to read the US Army resolution and to bring veterans to the Monday Legislative meeting.

Doug reviewed the Veterans' Service Projects; PFC Dwyer Veteran Suicide Prevention Program and VSA.

Doug reported that VSA staff completed the following training:

- VSA Director Doug Gibbs attended FL Veterans Advocacy Council Meeting
- VSA Director Doug Gibbs attended VA Finger Lakes Veteran Service Officer Meeting
- VSA Director Doug Gibbs completed VA Fiduciary Program training

Doug reported that their Monthly Services Report for March shows 85 services were provided. The VSA Director, VSO, and Keuka College Social Work Student Intern made arrangements for

28 Veteran transports during the month of March and there were 2 cancellations. VSA volunteers, using county vehicles, provided 21 Veteran transports to medical appointments totaling 1,444 miles and transportation was also provided for 5 additional Veterans where a volunteer used their own vehicle.

Doug reviewed the summary of statistical data.

Doug reviewed the upcoming Veteran-Related Training, Meetings, and Community Events:

- Yates County Dwyer Peer Support Program – Earth Day Pollinator Garden with Cornell Co-operative Extension
- Yates County Dwyer Peer Support Program - Taco Tuesday
- New York State Division of Veterans' Services (NYS DVS) VSO training
- Yates County Dwyer Peer Support Program – Veteran Horseshoe event
- NYS DVS & CVSOA Leadership Team meeting
- Yates County Dwyer Peer Support Program – Veteran Fishing Charter
- Sons of the American Legion – Flag Retirement Ceremony
- American Legion Placing Flags on Veterans Graves

Doug provided a full list of upcoming Veteran community events in our Finger Lakes Region.

Doug reported that the monthly total compensation for VA claims settled in the last month was \$11,377.97 and the total compensation and disbursements year-to-date is \$102,074.02. *Last month's report figures. Unable to update until VSO gets his PIV (Personal Identity Verification) card.

Mr. Bronson moved to enter into executive session after the Government Operations meeting at 4:52 p.m. to discuss:

1. The Employment History of a Particular Individual, attendees being members of the Committee, other legislators present, the County Administrator, and the Temporary County Administrator Assistant.

Seconded by Mr. Button.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.