

**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018  
9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: B. Donohue, M. Walker, I. Davis, M. Falk, D. LeFeber, D. Mahus, W. Wadsworth, I. Coyle, H. Grant, S. Hillier  
 ABSENT: D. Babbitt Henry,

Human Services Chair Brenda Donohue asked the Clerk of the Board to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES – DIANE DEANE**

**Action Item(s) To Be Reported**

**1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT(S) FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES: GENESEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE & VARIOUS RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS**

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract(s) for the Livingston County Department of Social Services, and any future amendments to said contract, according to the term(s) designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Genesee Community College</b> One College Road Batavia NY 14020	8/1/18-7/31/19	\$299,466

For: Staff Development training for staff, including training provided by the County ITS Department.

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Local Share</u>	<u>Budgeted?</u>
State Training Cap	0-5%	Yes X No

**Various Residential Treatment Centers** 7/1/18-6/30/19 Various Rates

For: Specialized level of care placement for children in the custody of the Commissioner.

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Local Share</u>	<u>Budgeted?</u>
State Foster Care Block Grant, Fed IV-E if Eligible	24%	Yes X No

The GCC contract is done every year and is the mechanism that most staff training and training equipment purchases are done through. The residential contract is also an annual contract. This is a boiler plate contract resolution.

*Motion: Mr. Falk moved and Mrs. Walker seconded to approve the foregoing resolution ..... Carried.*

**Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported**

1. Emergency Housing – Data And Presenting Issues-Mrs. Deane distributed statistics on those individuals that present as homeless to DSS. Mrs. Deane explained the different presenting issues that are result in different housing situations. The quantity data does show an increase but it may be because we are tracking this type of data more accurately. If someone is in emergency housing for 30 days, it costs the County \$1,800 and if they are on public assistance, a single individual receives \$350. Mrs. Deane reviewed Section 8 funding and the housing vouchers system. We get 525 vouchers for Livingston County. Mrs. Deane reviewed the shelter funding potential available. The question is, How do we spend less money on the emergency side and how do we find a more permanent housing location. The definition of homeless differs among each funding source.

2. Child Welfare Staffing Status and Action Items-Mrs. Deane reviewed staffing issues in child welfare and the variety of recent newspaper articles on child welfare issues. All of these articles make it difficult for us to recruit caseworkers. As of last Friday, we now have 6 vacant child caseworker positions. There are 34 caseworker positions on the salary schedule with 4 vacant and 6 senior caseworker positions with 2 vacant. We have 44 people in Livingston County that do child welfare work and 6 are vacant. The caseworker job is not easy. The caseworker exam is given every year. 22 caseworkers have been trained in the last 4 years. There is 3 months of intensive training, then 3 months working with a senior caseworker and then they are on their own,

but everything they do is under review. Tracy McCaughey and her team created a new training model that seems to be working well. During this time of training, DSS still needs to keep processing caseloads. Current staff need to take on the burden of covering cases while this training is going on. DSS has the ability to train two new caseworkers at a time. Assigning a senior caseworker as a trainer would then take us down to 3 senior caseworkers. The number of Child Protective Reports received from the State Central Registry are fairly consistent ranging from 605-650 over the last four years. Out of home placements for foster children range from 44-94, which is a larger range but it is consistent. These include foster children, who are in care and custody of the Commissioner, as well as cases where a relative has stepped in and then there is the category of court ordered supervision. There are many more cases involving drugs and alcohol, than there were in the past. Probation/parole and mental illness also play a part. Raise the Age goes into effect on October 1 and research shows us we will have 10-15 new foster care cases. There is also legislation called the Family First Act that will put forth new mandates for working with families before foster care that has funding changes tied to it. Turnover in DSS since 6/1/11 there have been 14 retirements, 15 resignations and 6 releases from probation. In 2014, 84% of the caseworkers had over 5 years' experience, today, 47%. Mrs. Deane and Ms. McCaughey have been strategizing how best to manage the work. There has been improved technology resources for caseworkers - the mobile technology project has provided iPads to all caseworkers and a case management software program to make inputting information more efficient into the State Connections system, we use overtime when needed and have recently begun conversations with Glove House for home finding and preventive services. We already have a contract with Glove House for residential foster placements but are now looking at expanding that contract to cover some other services. There are three caseworkers placed in schools that we could utilize back at the agency to help with our intake for the Child Welfare Program while we rebuild our caseworker base. Mr. Coyle explained that we do have contracts with these schools that expire on August 31, 2018. Mr. Coyle explained that conversations need to happen with the School Superintendents as soon as possible and the handling this situation is key and it is also key to get their input on possible solutions. Mrs. Deane explained that we want to maintain good relations with the schools, but we need to discuss options that will help the agency. School caseworkers are in the schools 4.5 days a week and schools pay 40% of their salaries. There was discussion on what work is being done during school breaks. The school based preventive program is not a mandated service. Within the last six months, Ms. McCaughey has worked on having technology so that these school based caseworkers also handle mandated caseloads. There was discussion on current caseworker staff not choosing to test for the senior caseworker positions and the distinct training needs among each of the child protective areas. The nature of the work causes a lot of staff anxiety and concern.

**Informational Item(s) Written Only**

1. Statement of Appropriations (Monthly) (April) – Attached
2. Statistics (Monthly) (April)

	<u>Apr</u>	<u>% Change from Jan 1</u>
<b>Temporary Assistance Cases (TA):</b>		
Family Assistance	282	-3.75%
Safety Net	293	-6.09%
<b>Total</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>-4.96%</b>

<b>Medicaid Cases (MA):</b>		
Community	1635	-1.03%
Chronic Care	229	-5.37%
Foster Care	146	-4.58%
SSI	1278	0.39%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3288</b>	<b>-0.96%</b>

**Livingston County Citizens receiving some form of Medicaid service:**

<b>Cases In Transit</b>	28
<b>NYSOH</b>	Waiting for #

<b>Livingston County DSS</b>	4874	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4902</b>	
<b>Food Stamp Only Cases:</b>	2313	<b>-3.14%</b>
<b>SSI Food Stamp Cases:</b>	831	<b>0.73%</b>
<b>Child Care Cases:</b>	152	<b>2.01%</b>
<b>Clients thru the lobby:</b>	894	
<b>Housing - Homeless Caseload:</b>		
Diversions	37	
Housed	59	
<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	
<b>Total Nights</b>	<b>595</b>	
Singles	483	
2 Adults	36	
Families	76	
Total Clients in Temp. Housing at end of month	23	
Clients entering Temp. Housing & remaining in the month	13	
<b>Section 8 Vouchers Leased Up:</b>	520	
<b>Child Support:</b>		
Caseload Count	3,441	
Dollars Collected	\$558,363	
<b>Protective Services for Adults (PSA):</b>	61	<b>15.09%</b>
<u>Financial Mgmt</u>	45	
<u>Home Mgmt</u>	42	
<u>Personal Care</u>	<b>28</b>	
Level I	8	
Level II	18	
Level I pending	2	
<u>Guardianship Cases</u>	5	
Awaiting discharge	3	
Pending	1	
Assessment assists	121	
<b>Preventive Services:</b>	73	<b>4.29%</b>
<u>Probation caseload</u>	37	<b>54.17%</b>
<u>School based consults</u>	238	
<u>School based active</u>	0	
<u>TASA (Case Management for Pregnant/Parenting Teens) Active</u>	1	
<b>Child Protective Services (CPS):</b>		
<b>New Assignments</b>	55	

**Foster Care**

**59**

**Foster Children - DSS Custody  
Adoptions**

32      **-11.11%**  
4

3. Employees hired, resigned or retired in May:

Deborah Bostwick	Retired	Clerk/Typist	5/11/18	Conesus
Leigh Mankoff	Hired – Seasonal	Summer Camp Worker	5/21/18	Avon
Terra Ebert	Hired	Case Management Aide	5/22/18	Dansville
Linda Leake-Beard	Retired	Caseworker	5/25/18	Piffard

4. Camp Report 2017 – 47 children experienced 55 weeks of campership. 2018 Camp program planning is currently underway.

5. Housing Task Force meeting was held on May 14. Next meeting scheduled for August 13, 2018.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ**

**Action Item(s) To Be Reported**

**1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - SUNY GENESEO**

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract for the Livingston County Department of Health, and any future amendments to said contract, according to the term designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>SUNY Geneseo</b>	8/27/18-5/13/19	\$1,586.16

1 College Circle  
Geneseo, NY 14554

For: Rent for Family Planning Services

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Title 10 Family Planning Grant	0%	Yes X No

Director's Comments: This contract will provide clinic space for the Family Planning Clinic in the Lauderdale Health Center on the SUNY Geneseo campus.

This is a rent renewal for clinic space on the campus.

*Motion: Mrs. Walker moved and Mr. Davis seconded to approve the foregoing resolution ..... Carried.*

**2. APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE: JOSEPH GALANTE**

RESOLVED, that the following member is hereby appointed to the Livingston County Community Services Mental Health Subcommittee for the term designated: Joseph Galante

<b>Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee</b>			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Rep/Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Joseph Galante	6012 Rowland Road, Conesus, NY 14435	Education/Member	6/1/18-12/31/2022

*Motion: Mrs. Walker moved and Mr. Falk seconded to approve the foregoing resolution ..... Carried.*

**Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be**

1. Opioids Update-Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the partnership with a regional consortium called S2ay that is a nonprofit consortium made up of 9 Health Departments. Livingston is represented by F. Bassett, J. Peraino, B. Donohue and Ms. Rodriguez. The nine health directors make up the management team. The consortium has been awarded millions of dollars in grant funding over the last decade or so. One of the potential issues is that while S2ay is a nonprofit, all of the work is contracted through a profit entity. That profit entity is a family owned business and this year we were awarded a large CBO grant from NYSDOH and the State Comptroller's office actually rescinded the grant due to the concern over the relationship between for profit and non-profit entities. Ms. Rodriguez met with our County Attorney as

well as the County Administrator and we are looking at not renewing the contract in December. We do not need to end the contract now, but we do need to let S2ay know we will not be renewing now because they are applying for another funding cycle that we would not be a part of. S2ay Membership costs are \$20,000 per year. We are supported in sustaining the work that we do because we will be able to do our health improvement plan and community health assessment through Genesee Valley Health Partnership membership, allowing us to save that money this year. Mrs. Donohue is in strong support of discontinuing this contract.

Last year the number of people that died from opioid use was equivalent of one 747 plane crashing every day for one year. It was more than everyone that died in the Vietnam War. We are looking at a real epidemic. Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the graphs included in the packet. Four years ago the IStop prescription drug monitoring program started. This works for ~90%, but for those people that are highly addicted and can't get their prescriptions, they go to heroin. That is why we see an increase in illicit drug abuse when we see a decline in prescription medicine abuse. In Livingston County we don't see opioid addiction and drug addiction as a moral failure, we see it as a public health crisis, an epidemic and we are working together to solve it. Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the programs we have begun over the last few years like prescription drug boxes and the Sheriff's Heroin & Opioid Task Force. Any time Road Patrol goes out on a call, they are making sure CASA offers a peer navigator to attend these visits with them. Not only can they help the person that is addicted, they can help the family that is devastated by this happening. We are working with CASA on supported housing where people can get vocational, medical and mental health needs met while in one place to ensure a supportive system for recovery. We are utilizing the community assets that we have, but gaps still exist. One of the largest gaps is the jail. Although the jail offers varying services, they are quite disjointed. When released, if someone can't find a ride, they may call their drug dealer and then the cycle starts over again. We are looking at exploring funding to secure better reentry into the community for jail services. We aren't in the worst shape of our neighboring counties and are trending upward, but our death rates are consistently low over the last few years. We are doing what we can in shared services with a crisis intervention team in the jail so we can have quicker communication from the time someone is booked, to the time they are discharged, working with CASA, with the supported housing model in Dansville and DePaul of Genesee doing the same thing and increasing provider education in doctor's offices by making it a requirement. The County Administrator explained that we do have existing programs in the jail that we would not have thought were needed 10 years ago. We are searching for grants to expand drug and alcohol services in the jail. We have a couple of grant applications in the pipeline to expand treatment, both on mental health and drug and alcohol at the facility. It is a huge deal, because we are just recycling these people back through with the community and they reoffend or they slip up so they are back in DSS or the jail. We do offer Narcan distribution in our county now. Any community member can be trained through CASA. It is something that is available over the counter for \$85 without prescription; however, New York State covers any Narcan dispensation at no cost for anyone. This has saved over 20,000 lives. There is a lot of debate on whether we should utilize Narcan. In public health we look at it like this, if your child is bit by a dog we think might have rabies, we don't wait to see what happens, and we give you prophylaxis because that's the public health response. Ms. Rodriguez agrees that this is a temporary solution, but it is a temporary solution for something that could be permanent.

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### **Informational Item(s) Written Only**

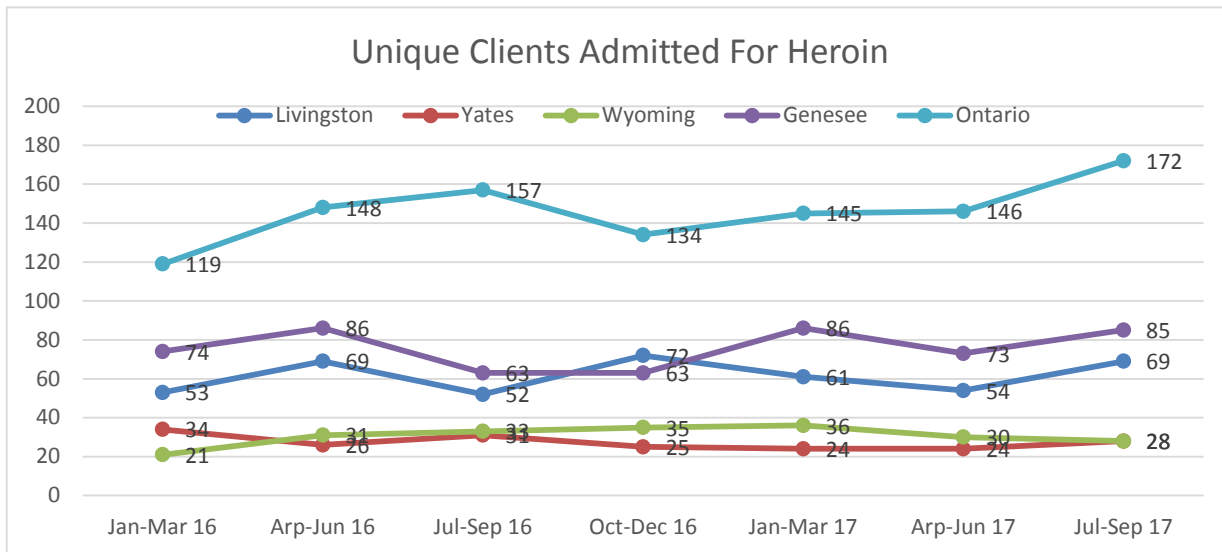
- Continue to focus on a Chronic Disease Prevention initiative entitled Be Well in Livingston (Nunda) - enhancing capacity of steering committee meetings, to develop and implement strategic plan for 2018 - 2019, Community Kick Off Event in 2018, develop and implement media and outreach plan for 2018 - Be Well banner and window clings are being placed throughout the community.
- Healthy Living Livingston - Cancer Prevention sessions which focus on nutrition and physical activity began in April in Nunda, 6 people attended.
- Beginning Community Health Assessment process using MAPP process - revising community survey, scheduling CHA Leadership Team.

Coordinating reaccreditation efforts- received document review report from PHAB, submitted revised documents as per PHAB review.

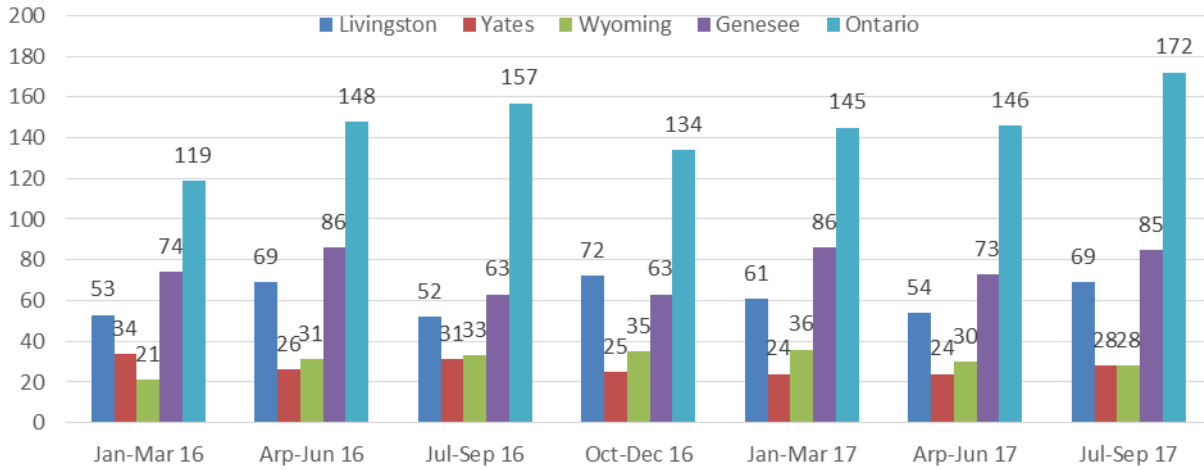
- Responded to measles exposure in the community - staff talking points, health alert on website, press release to media.
- Achieved 80% by 2018 Hall of Fame regarding adults who have received colon cancer screenings (1 of 3 counties in NYS) - Press Release.
- LCDOH Strategic Plan Quarter 1 report - Developed communication survey for LCDOH staff and utilize feedback to create an internal, documented, system of communication that is consistent, uniform, and timely to each center; Supervisors and Center Directors implemented a method for one: one time with staff at least quarterly; Utilized Communicating Emergent and Non -Emergent Information policy to ensure community partners and key stakeholders are properly informed of public health issues including CHIP priorities and public drill; Increased community engagement through programs and CHIP committees - Be Well Steering Committee; Bi-directional communication with governing bodies through email, presentations; completed assessment.
- WFD and QI plans updated per Accreditation standards, updated cultural competency training;
- Continue efforts to cross train and utilize all employees to reach agency wide or specific program goals or to leverage resource needs; SHAPE Workplan changes as per staff survey responses –
- weight watchers and smoking cessation added; and Updated cultural competency training in staff orientation binder, CLAS training scheduled June staff meeting.
- Completed NACCHO Challenge Grant Final Report - all objectives were met
- Completed After Action Report for Finger Lakes Drill.

**First 2018 Rabies Clinic  
May 16, 2018**

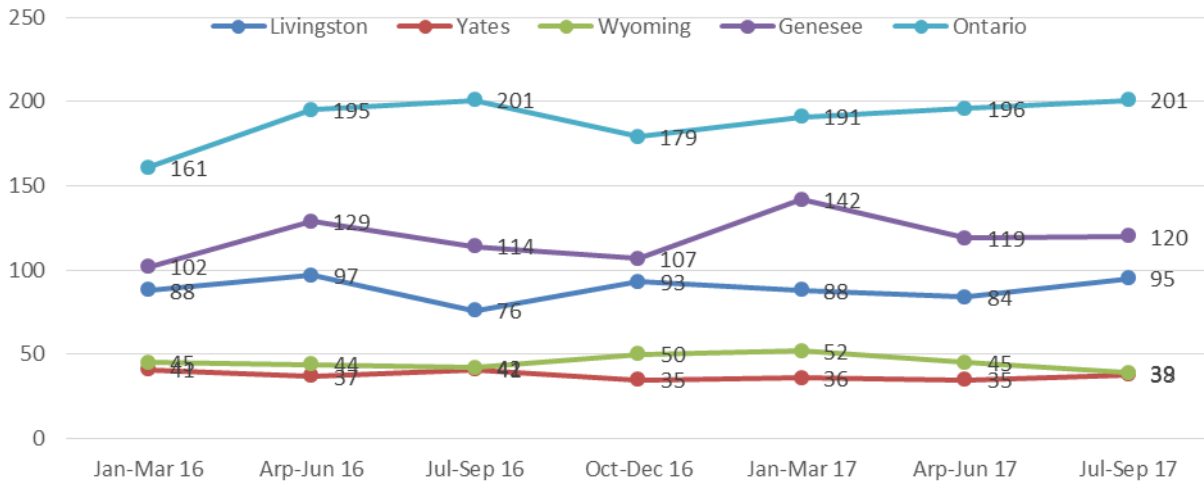
Clinic Site	Dogs	Cats	Ferrets	Total
Avon/Caledonia	82	52	2	136



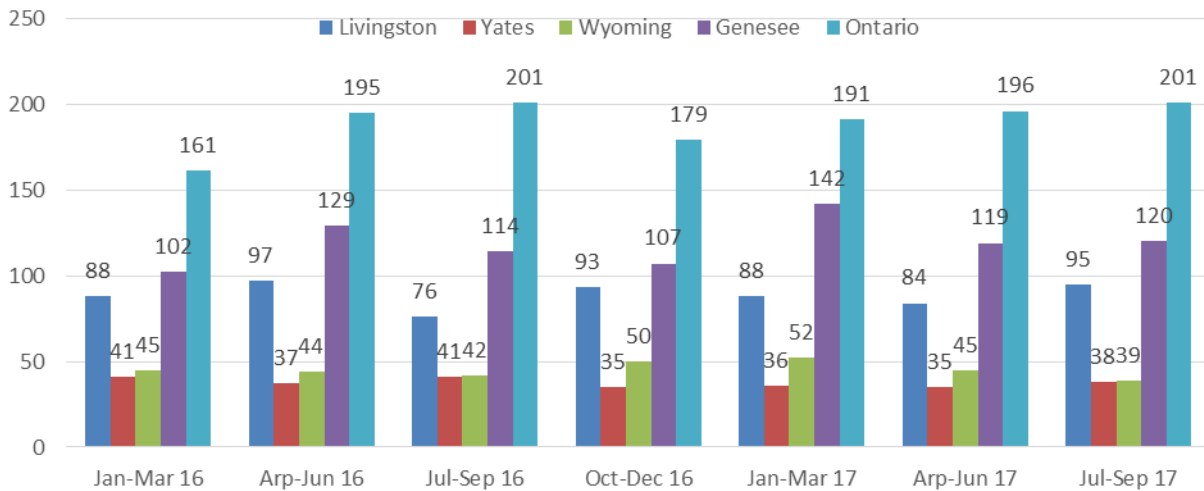
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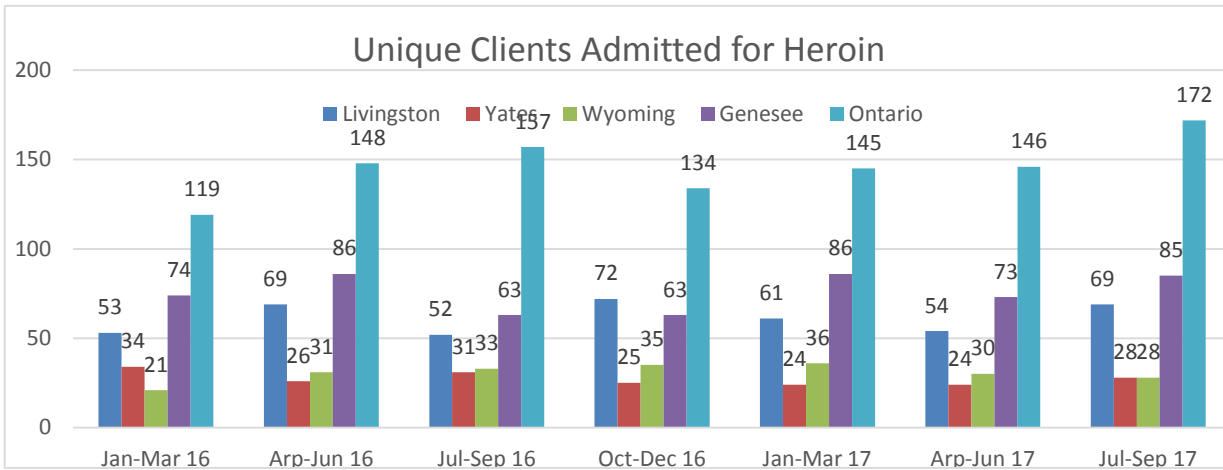
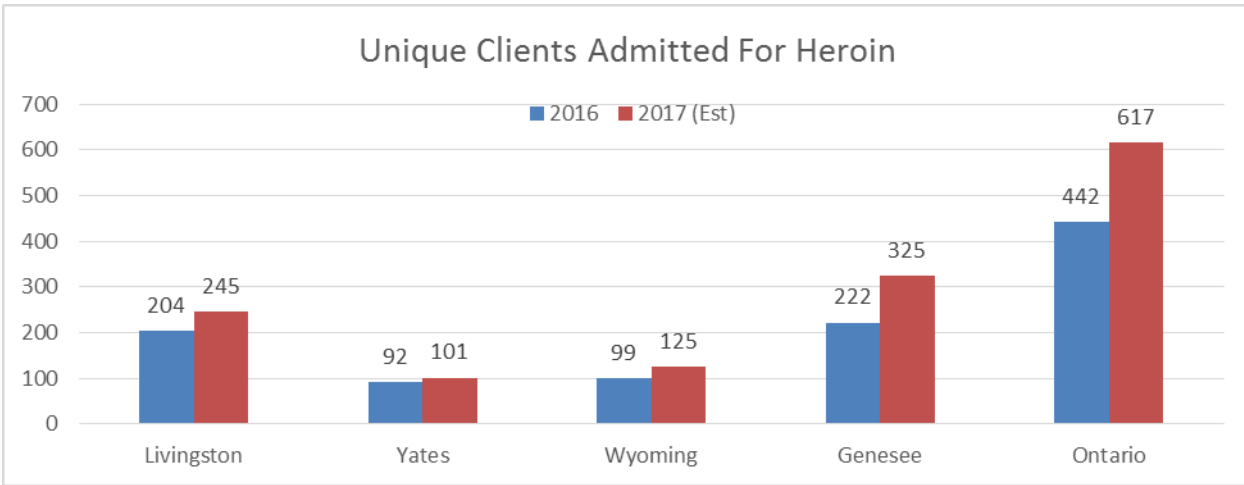
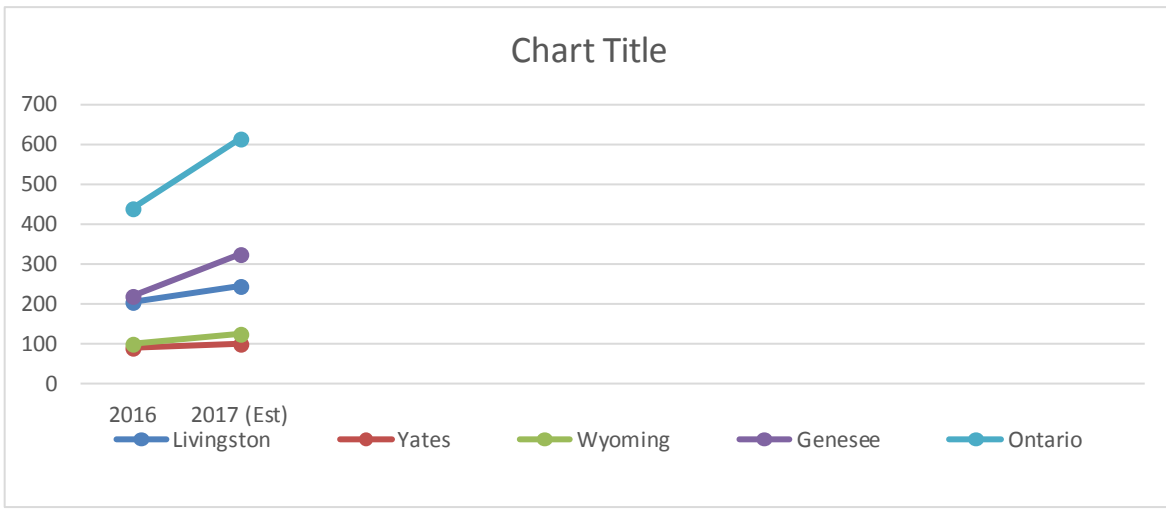


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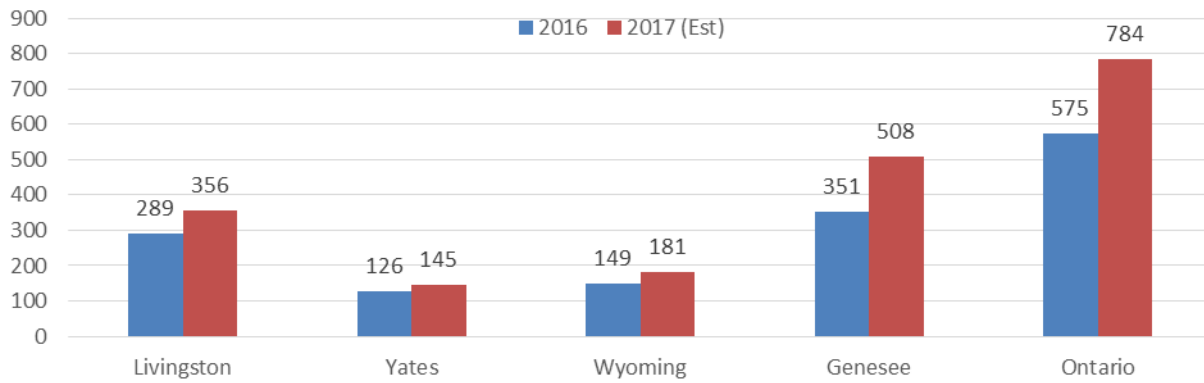
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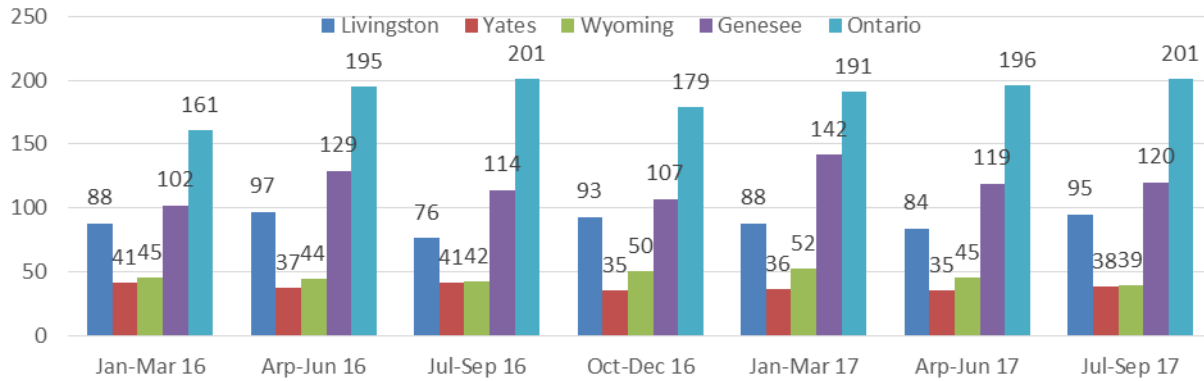




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**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – RYAN SNYDER**

**Action Item(s) To Be Reported**

**1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS FOR LIVINGSTON COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: C&F TRANSPORTATION, INC.**

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contracts for Livingston County Workforce Development, and any future amendments to said contracts, according to the terms designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>C&amp;F Transportation, Inc.</b> 6398 Sonyea Road Mount Morris, New York 14510	6/25/18 - 6/29/18	\$2,000.00
For: Transportation for the summer training session		

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Local Share</u>	<u>Budgeted?</u>
Federal TANF Funds	\$0	Yes

*Motion: Mrs. Walker moved and Mr. Falk seconded to approve the foregoing resolution .....Carried.*

**Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported**

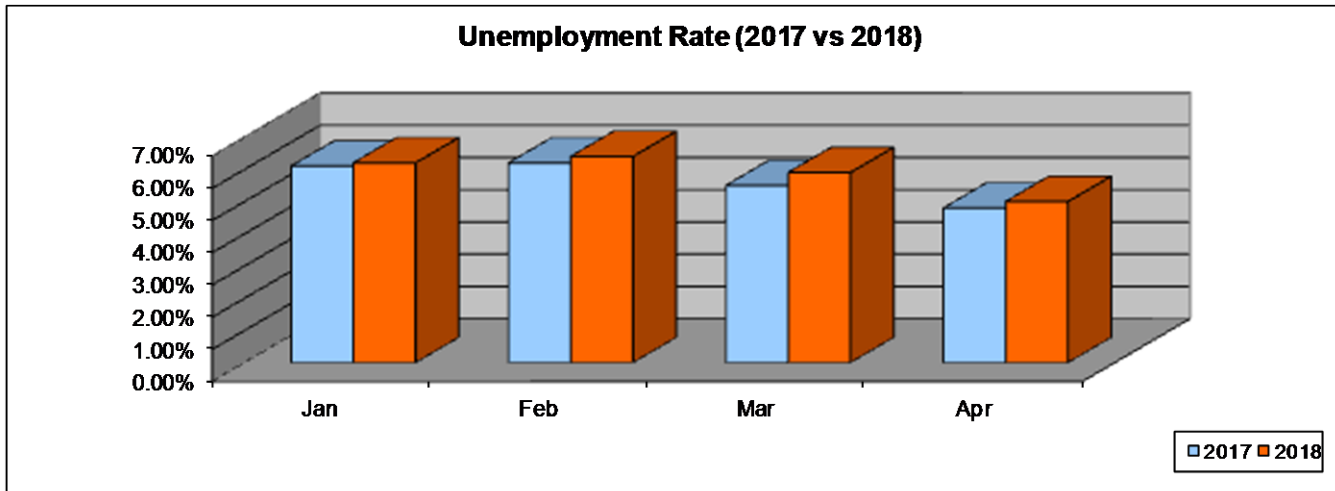
1. Teen Recognition Venue – Mr. Snyder reviewed the cost of the event over the last several years to confirm that the Board still approves this expenditure. The costs this year was ~\$6,200 and the average over the last five years is ~\$6,280. Although the price per person has been going up considerably over the last five years, there are a number of factors contribute to that. Variation of the number of participants changes each year. We are very limited on venue sites in Livingston County. Mr. Snyder distributed information on Peggy’s Café at Camp Stella Maris. Mr. Snyder will explore changing the

venue and research caterers.

2. Community Center Survey-Mr. Snyder distributed the survey for Supervisors to take back to their towns. June 20 is the date to return all surveys. You can drop off or Mr. Snyder will pick them up.
3. We had a very successful Job Fair last week at the Lakeville Training grounds with 103 high school students and 50 employers. It was one of the best fairs we've had.

**Informational Item(s) Written Only**

**Livingston County Unemployment Rate**



*through the first four months of 2018 has been up slightly over the same period in the prior year.*

**Department Activity Report**

Activity	April 2018
Total Openings (including multiple vacancies)	302
Clients in High School Equivalency Education	2
Workshop Participants	57
Jail Workshop Participants	20
Youth in Paid Work Experience	7
Adults/Youth in Training	31
Industry Certifications Earned	17
Public Assistance Entries to Employment	8

**Program Report**

- Job Fair - 50 employers will take part in a Job Fair on May 30th at the Lakeville Training Grounds.
- Summer Employment - 84 youth submitted applications for the summer youth employment program, which is down slightly from 99 last year.
- Community Center - A public input survey will be launched in early June to combine resident feedback with the feasibility study being conducted by Johnson Consulting.
- CBI Grant - Workforce Development is partnering with CCLC, Probation and Center for Dispute Settlement to apply for a Cognitive Behavioral Intervention Grant for the jail.
- Hands on Careers - The summer career exploration program for youth is being held at Murray Hill this year and will consist of a variety of landscaping and other maintenance projects for the campus.

**CENTER FOR NURSING & REHABILITATION – FRANK BASSETT/STEVE WOODRUFF**

**Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported**

1. **AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION** - Kelley DeMonte of Bonadio & Co., LLP will provide a presentation of the CNR's 2017 audited financial statement. Ms. DeMonte reviewed the required communications for the 2017 annual audits of the CNR. This was a fairly neutral year. A management letter was issued with some management issues similar to last year regarding reconciliation of

accounts and timeliness related to year end. Ms. DeMonte presented the facility financials. Ms. DeMonte reviewed the importance of balancing the different payor caseloads and managed care among Medicaid, Medicare and Private Pay. Mr. Bassett discussed the average revenues created and looking at the Medicaid rate per day.

2. Mr. Bassett reported that last Friday was the last day for Barbara Keefe for retirement. She has graciously agreed to stay on in a part time basis to help train the new director. Interviews were held last Thursday with Human Services Chair Brenda Donohue, Ways and Means Chair Dan Pangrazio and Kelley DeMonte of Bonadio on the interview team. Mr. Bassett explained that they have contracted with Pronexus to assist in vetting the successful candidate.

3. Mr. Bassett reviewed what is happening with third patient insurers. The Center is a very viable entity. He is very proud of the team that is in place. In order to move forward, we need to have the workforce in place. Therefore we need to look at how we are managing recruitment and training to preserve our current workforce and retention. Mr. Bassett has begun to research a new position that is dedicated to employee support and retention.

4. **FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL UPDATES** – Mr. Woodruff reviewed the current occupancy, cash flow and budget variance reports. There is a new admission/discharge report introduced this month. While we are under budget for Medicaid, we are over budget for private pay. We are under budget for overall operations.

a.) Occupancy - As of May 28, 2018, occupancy was 90.9 % for the month, YTD 92.8 %.

b.) Cash Flow - The CNR's Cash Flow Report as of May 29, 2018 reflects \$22,875,968.00 in reserves.

c.) Budget Variance - The March 2018 budget variance report will be distributed and discussed at the committee meeting.

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#### **Informational Item(s) Written Only**

1. Reports - Absenteeism, Mandation, FMLA, Payroll Performance, Work Related Injuries, Report Card

2. Current FT Nursing Assistant vacancies are: Night Shift – 10, Evening Shift – 9, Day Shift – 6.

3. Nurse Recruitment – The CNR is actively interviewing qualified applicants. The Center was represented at 2018 Livingston County Job Fair, on 05/30/18 in an effort to recruit for open positions, and to connect with local graduating Juniors and Seniors who may be seeking future vocations within the nursing field and or allied health.

4. Peak Need Nursing Assistant Schedules – An informational posting was distributed to elicit interest in Peak Need scheduling, in an effort to augment the current staffing levels during times of greatest resident care needs. The typical schedule provides for four (4) hour shifts (6-10 am & 5-9 pm), with an every other weekend requirement.

5. Personal Care Assistants (PCA's) – The Center is conducting interviews to fill the open part-time PCA positions. To date, 3 PCA's have been hired. As such, there are 14 remaining part time positions.

6. The Center notified the NYS-DOH of a reportable event on 05/17/2018, regarding an incident that occurred on 05/14/2018. Currently, the NYS-DOH and the Attorney General are in the process of completing their investigation(s).

7. EPC Project Activities – 1. The building envelope air sealing project has been completed in full. 2. The contractors for the lighting retrofit system upgrade have been on site and are in process of developing both an approach and schedule for subsequent replacement. 3. The boiler replacement was discussed with engineers and contractors. A tentative schedule was developed to start work on this project on 06/11/2018.

8. Construction has begun on the Dialysis Extension Clinic (DEC). In advance, the temporary changes regarding evacuation paths of the affected areas were made to the Center's Emergency Management Plan. The Rehab Department has been relocated to work out of the In-Service Classroom. May's schedule was distributed.

9. Director of Fiscal Services Recruitment - Qualified applicants have been initially reviewed and interviews have been scheduled to begin 05/30/2018. Dan Pangrazio, Ways and Means Chairman, Brenda Donohue, Human Services Chairman, and Kelly DeMonte, from The Bonadio Group will assist the Center's Administration in the interviewing process.

10. Temporary appointment of part time Director of Fiscal Services. Post retirement, Barbara Keefe will work

on a part time basis (24 hours per week) for the period of up to 10 weeks, to assist in the transition of her future successor and to assist in the development and completion of the Medicare Cost Report and the LCCNR's 2019 Annual Budget.

11. United Way Campaign – The campaign raised approximately \$42,500.

12. The Center will be hosting our Annual Memorial Service on 06/16/2018 at 10:00 am. Invitations have been sent to families and loved ones that experienced a loss over the past year. The program provides us an opportunity to honor and reflect on their lives. Residents, Families, and Staff are encouraged to attend.

13. The Medical Supplies, Part B Contract, which expires on 08/31/2018 is being developed for release in the month of June.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Davis moved and Mrs. Walker seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

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## **VETERAN'S SERVICES AGENCY – JASON SKINNER**

### **Informational Item(s) Written Only**

#### **Federal legislation effecting local veterans:**

The VA MISSION Act of 2018 (S. 2372) was voted on in the House of Representatives Wednesday, May 16. If signed by the president, this bill would do several things to help veterans, including:

1. Streamlining all of the community care programs, including the Veterans Choice Program, into one common sense program.
2. Expanding the VA's caregivers program to all war eras of veterans, not just the post-9/11 generation, which is critical. This program should be available to all war eras and the veterans who proudly served our great nation.
3. Providing \$5.2 billion to the Department of Veterans Affairs to appropriately fund the Veterans Choice Program through the next year while the community care programs are being modified and streamlined. This means the VA will not have to continuously ask Congress for more money, which will allow veterans to receive the immediate care they need and where they need it.

We have recently asked Congressman Chris Collins office to assist us in getting a provider agreement for the CNR to see Livingston County Veterans at the VA's expense. This has been a difficult process. This act will help streamline this process.

United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit decision:

Saunders V. Wilkie: The United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit has decided in favor of a veteran's case on appeal. This case is significant as it establishes chronic pain as a compensable disability. Prior to this decision all pain related claims had to have a specific diagnosis of Arthritis, physical joint deformity, and scarring. This allows us to us this case as precedent case as three judge panel decided this case.

#### **Outreach:**

Our office attended the dedication of the Blue Star Memorial at the Veterans Park in Mt. Morris on May 19th. We attended multiple Memorial Day functions throughout the county.

Registration is now open for our fist suicide prevention training at the Livonia American Legion on June 23rd at 8:30 AM. Registration will be via the county website for a limit of 40 trainees. This is the first of three trainings to be held. The next one will be in Mt. Morris. The last of the trainings will be in Dansville.

## **OFFICE FOR THE AGING – SUE CARLOCK**

### **Informational Item(s) Written Only**

Program Statistics:

#### **Served Client Summary**

Livingston

**Service Summary**

<b>Service Type</b>	<b>Jan – April 2018</b>
Caregiver Services	132 contacts/ 56 caregivers
Case Management	743 hours/ 258 individuals
Congregate Meals	8,225 meals/ 194 participants
Health Promotion Services	297 contacts
Home Delivered Meals	16,510 meals/ 266 participants
Information & Assistance	611 contacts
Nutrition Education	1,528 contacts
Personal Care	1,875 hours/ 32 clients
PERS Personal Emergency Response System	401 individuals
Transportation	1,576 one-way rides

**Legal Services:**

Livingston County Office for the Aging is working with Law-NY to plan a Senior Legal Day for Fall 2018. Speakers will present information related to Consumer Law, SNAP, Advanced Directives - Wills, Powers of Attorney, Living Wills – and Medicaid Planning.

**Health Insurance Information Assistance and Counseling:**

Medicare 101 will be offered on July 11, 2018.

Medicare Savings Program outreach events will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Health Promotion:**

Tai Chi for Arthritis started May 14<sup>th</sup> in Dansville and will run until July 9, 2018. We have two additional people who were recently trained to lead the program.

A Matter of Balance classes wrapped up in Geneseo, Avon, and Dansville. A class is being set up in Livonia. Livingston County is one of a small number of counties selected by the New York State Office for the Aging to receive training and a license to offer the AMP (Aging Mastery Program) developed by the National Council on Aging. The Aging Mastery Program empowers older adults to make and maintain small but impactful changes in their behaviors. AMP offers an innovative approach to help individuals successfully navigate this phase of life. The program incorporates evidence-based materials, expert speakers, group discussion, peer support, and small rewards to give participants the skills and tools they need to achieve measurable improvements in managing their health, remaining economically secure, and contributing actively to society. The 10 core classes are the introduction, exercise and you, sleep, healthy eating and hydration, financial fitness, medication management, advance planning, healthy relationships, falls prevention, and community engagement. The Annual Fall Prevention Event is scheduled for Friday, September 21, 2018 at the Lakeville Training Grounds.

**Senior Nutrition:**

Livingston County Senior Nutrition Program and NY Connects will be partnering to conduct outreach for and issue Senior Nutrition Farmer's Market Vouchers/Coupons. Income eligible individuals 60 years of age and older will be issued \$20 in vouchers that can be redeemed at participating farm markets/stands for locally grown

produce.

Livingston County Senior Nutrition Program has applied to be a summer worksite for the Summer Youth Employment Program. In addition to assisting at the congregate site, youth will record program participants' biographies/life histories/recollections.

A group of youth from Livonia came to assist for the United Way Day of Caring on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Other:**

Livingston County Department of Social Services Adult Services and Livingston County Office for the Aging will be offering a training opportunity for EMS personnel to cover services of the agencies, referrals, etc. The training will take place in June as it is Elder Abuse Awareness Month.

New York State Office for the Aging will be conducting a fiscal audit of LCOFA on June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. This happens every three years.

The Annual Public Hearing for Livingston County Office for the Aging has been scheduled for September 12, 2018 – time and place to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele R. Rees, IIMC-CMC  
Clerk of the Board