

**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020
9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: M. Walker, M. Falk, D. Babbitt Henry, D. Wester, D. LeFeber, D. Mahus, I. Coyle, B. Mann, S. Hillier
 ABSENT: I. Davis

Human Services Chair Merilee Walker asked Lima Supervisor Mike Falk to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – RYAN SNYDER

Action Item to Be Reported

1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY OFFICE OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT/YOUTH BUREAU: CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, CHANCES AND CHANGES, INC., GENESEO PARISH OUTREACH CENTER, INC. & NICHOLAS NOYES MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

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

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Catholic Charities of Livingston County 34 East State Street Mt. Morris, NY 14510 For: Emergency services to income eligible residents	10/1/2020-9/30/2021	\$60,900.00

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Community Service Block Grant	\$0	Yes

Chances and Changes, Inc. PO Box 326 Geneseo, NY 14454 For: Emergency services to income eligible residents	10/1/2020-9/30/2021	\$36,000.00
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<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Community Service Block Grant	\$0	Yes

Geneseo Parish Outreach Center, Inc. 4520 Genesee Street Geneseo, NY 14454 For: Medical services to income eligible residents	10/1/2020-9/30/2021	\$43,099.00
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<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Community Service Block Grant	\$0	Yes

Nicholas Noyes Memorial Hospital 111 Clara Barton Street Dansville, NY 14437 For: Emergency medical alert services to income eligible residents	10/1/2020-9/30/2021	\$12,930.00
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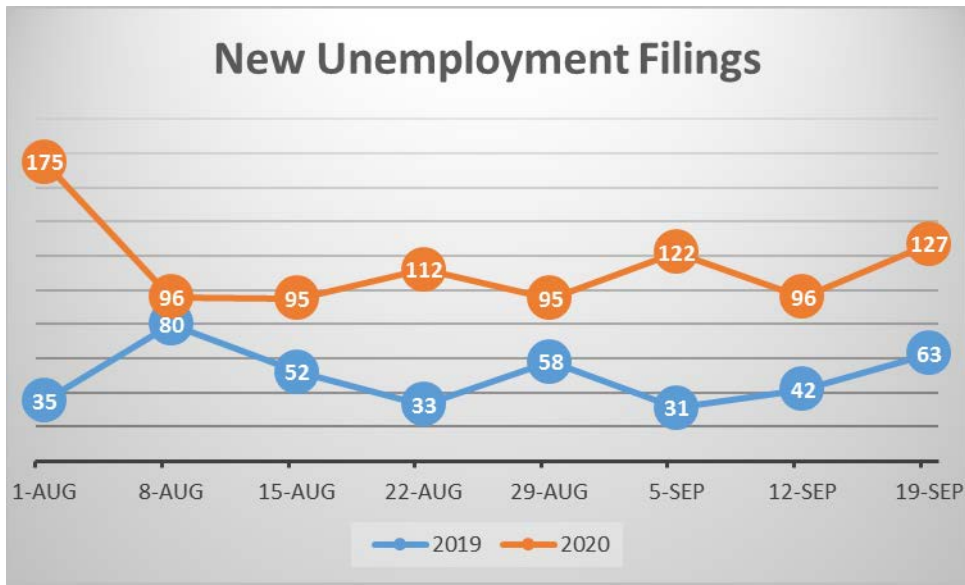
<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Community Service Block Grant	\$0	Yes

Mr. Snyder reported that these are the third year renewal contracts for their most recent RFP. All are long standing providers for the same amounts.

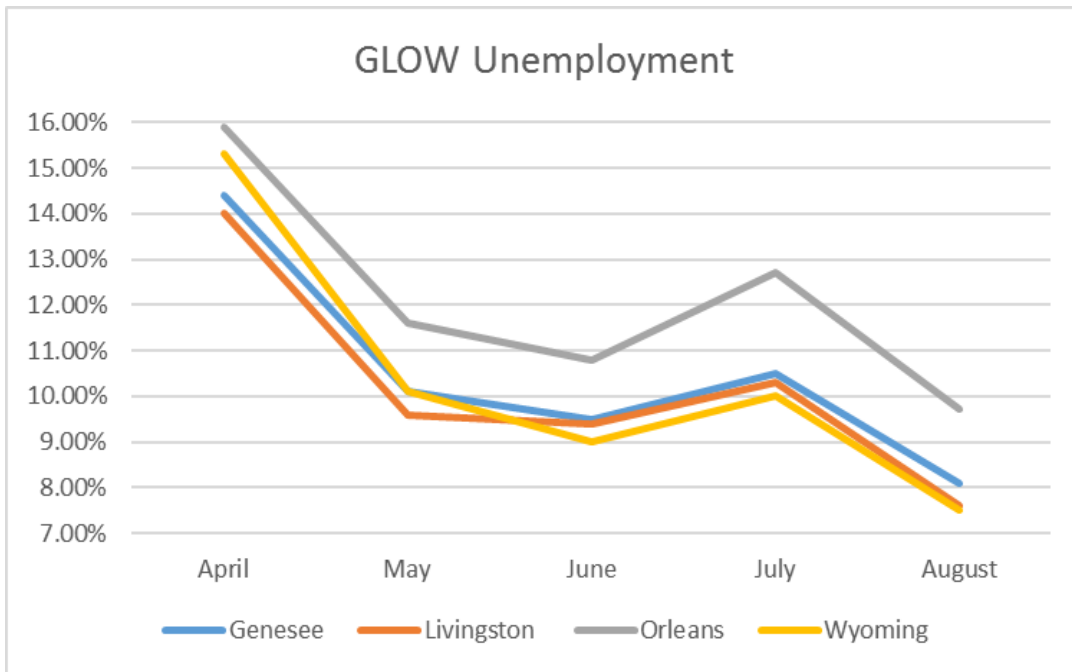
Motion: Mrs. Babbitt Henry moved and Mr. Falk seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

Livingston County New Unemployment Filings



New Unemployment Filings for Livingston County over the past eight weeks are still up 133% over the same period in the prior year. 8,799 new filings have occurred since 3/28/20.



The average Unemployment Rate in GLOW was 8.2% in August 2020, up from 4.05% in 2019. Livingston and Wyoming County continue to experience the lowest rates of unemployment in the GLOW region.

Program Report

- CNA Program – The CNA Training program scheduled to start on 9/14 has been postponed indefinitely until FLCC can hire an instructor. We are working with other training providers that may be able to offer the class.
- Job Fair – An outdoor job fair was held on 9/22 at Al Lorenz Park. 30 employers and 51 job seekers attended.
- NYSDOL – NYS Department of Labor employees assigned to the Government Center continue to work from home with no date set to return to the office.

- Unemployment – The maximum weekly unemployment payment is now \$504, following the expiration of the enhanced payments.
- TANF Summer Employment – 43 low-income youth earned in excess of \$60,000 in combined wages this summer through paid work experience.
- YDP Funds - The NYS state budget authorized Livingston County to receive \$61,553 in Youth Development Funds for calendar year 2020. These funds support contracted youth providers in the County. We have still not received our allocation amount for this funding.

MOTION TO MOVE THE AGENDA:

Motion: Mrs. Babbitt Henry moved and Mr. Falk seconded to change the agenda Carried.

CENTER FOR NURSING & REHABILITATION – STEPHEN WOODRUFF

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY CENTER FOR NURSING AND REHABILITATION: BIOSERV, INC., LIMITED & GENESEE VALLEY EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP

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

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
BioServ, Inc.	9/3/2020-9/2/2022	Fee Schedule

10 Gramar Avenue
Prospect, CT 06712

For: Medical Waste Management and Compliance

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Operating Budget	N/A	X Yes No

Director’s Comments: The vendor is a member of a Group Purchasing Organization that will provide monthly, and as needed, medical waste removal to the Center.

Genesee Valley Educational Partnership	11/1/2020-10/31/2023	N/A
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GLSW Boces
80 Munson Street
LeRoy, NY 14482

For: LPN Clinical Experience – Secondary Education

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Operating Budget	N/A	X Yes No

Director’s Comments: The GVEP contract(s) provide a clinical rotation for Licensed Practical Nurses, required to advance in their licensure, and serves to improve the Resident experience throughout the Center.

Mr. Woodruff reviewed the contracts for approval.

Motion: Mr. Wester moved and Mr. Mahus seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. REPORT ON POST-AUDIT FINANCIAL MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES-Mr. Woodruff reviewed the handouts for the Committee. Mr. Woodruff gave an update of initiatives taken currently within Fiscal Services and the Treasurer’s Office. Mr. Woodruff explained that Ms. DelMonte’s report did not reflect during the presentation of the financials of the prior period year the aging was actually \$2M less than the year prior so it definitely showed appreciable improvement in terms of performance. In looking at the collection process, Mr. Woodruff explained that some of the numbers are somewhat inflated because we are carrying bad debt, some of which is from 2013. Mr. Woodruff plans to have this cleaned up before years’ end. Meetings will continue between the Fiscal Office and Beacon. There was discussion on what debt is truly collectable and what entails bad debt. Mr. Woodruff shared an update on the status of the dialysis clinic with Wyoming

County.

2. FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL UPDATES:

- a) Occupancy – As of September 28, 2020 occupancy was 78.48% for the month, YTD 85.07%. That is fairly representative of what we are seeing in the area for the Rochester community. Downstate facilities are operating under 50%. Mr. Woodruff explained the quarantine process right now and discussed the challenges with those individuals that must be received back into the facility after a hospital visit. They are keeping an area open for quarantine and that does limit occupancy. They are looking at reconfiguring other areas. Staff testing continues to follow the Executive Order that was renewed until November 3. They will be participating in a free Project Echo Nursing Covid 19 training. Cash Flow - The CNR's Cash Flow Report as of September, 2020, \$18,177, 329 in Reserves. Budget Variance – The July 2020 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 –18, Evening Shift –25, Day Shift –17
- 3) Nurse Recruitment – The CNR is actively recruiting qualified applicants.
 - a) There are currently 1 Part time day shift LPN, 8 Full Time and 4 Part Time evening shift LPN and 6 Full Time and 2 Part Time LPN night shift vacancies.
 - b) There are currently 2 Full Time day shift RN, 3 Full Time evening shift RN, & 2 Full Time night shift RN vacancies.
 - c) There are currently 3 Part time day shift & 8 Part Time evening shift PCA vacancies at this time.
 - d) There are currently 6 Part time day shift & 8 Part Time evening Uncertified Nursing Assistant vacancies at this time.
 - e) The Center continues to utilize agency staffing solutions in the interim to augment these vacancies.
- 4) Beacon Solutions Monthly Report – to be distributed.
- 5) CNR COVID-19:

Test Results

MONTH	RESIDENT / PATIENT	CONTRACT STAFF	CNR STAFF
APR	-	-	-
MAY	-	-	1
JUN	-	2	2
JLY	1	-	-
AUG	-	-	-
SEP	-	-	-

Pursuant to Executive Order (E.O.) 202.60, issued on September 5th, 2020, to extend the prior E.O. 202.55, the Center continues to complete weekly testing of all employees, contract and medical staff, with a set expiration date of 10/05/2020.

Resident / Family window visits continue on a daily basis. The Center continues to communicate with Residents / Families weekly via telephone calls, electronic communication(s) and letters.

On 08/09/20, the Center initiated visitation at the Center, located in the Garden Of Life Courtyard, adjacent to the Main Entrance. The visitation guidelines have been posted to the LCCNR website, and all Residents and Responsible parties have been notified of same.

On 09/15/20, the nursing home visitation criteria has been modified from 28 days with an absence of

any new onset of COVID-19 in the nursing home as reported to the daily HERDS survey to the NYS-DOH and as reported weekly to the NHSN to a period of no less than fourteen (14) days.

Visitors, including long-term care ombudsman, are screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 prior to resident access. Additionally, the visitor must present a verified negative test result within the last week (7 days) and visitation must be refused if the individual(s) fails to present such negative test result, exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms, or does not pass screening questions.

Another notable difference is that the number of visitors to the nursing home must not exceed ten percent (10%) of the resident census at any time and only two visitors will be allowed per resident at any one time.

The Center received a COVID-19 Antigen Point Of Care test kit from CMS / HHS. The requisite documentation to revise the Center's C.L.I.A. Waiver necessary for its use was submitted to the NYS-DOH.

- 6) An abbreviated survey was conducted at the CNR on 08/25/20, by the NYSDOH, resulting in the issuance of one low level f-tag specific to mobility decrease of one resident. A plan of corrective action was filed on 09/10/2020 and was subsequently approved on 09/11/2020.
- 7) The Adult Day Health Program services remain suspended until further notice. The GOL Program Coordinator continues to connect telephonically on a weekly basis with program Registrants in the community.
- 8) NYS-DOH reporting continues on a daily basis, 7 days per week, via the HERDS survey in the Health Commerce System.
- 9) The CNR continues to submit survey data to the CDC, via the National Healthcare Safety Network, twice per week.
- 10) The CNR's PPE supplies exceed the minimal requisite 60-day supply. All Skilled Nursing Facilities in NYS were required to achieve a 60-day supply, no later than 9/30/2020.
- 11) On September 27, 2020, the Center's Fiscal Services Management Staff met with the Treasurer's Office, to review account reconciliations from 01/01-6/30/20, trial balance detail and journal entry re-classifications. The group will continue to meet on a monthly basis.
- 12) On 10/02/2020, K. Parker, DOSW, retired. Effective 10/03/2020, Roger E. Townsend, LNHA, LMSW, Deputy Director of LTC, will be serve in the role as the acting DOSW, during the recruitment process. Deputy Director Townsend has extensive experience serving as a former DOSW, prior to his transition to the field of Nursing Home Administration. We are confident that he will successfully bridge this transition of leadership within the Social Work department.
- 13) It is my pleasure to announce the appointment of Dr. Gregory Collins as the Center's Medical Director, effective 09/05/20. Dr. Collins is the Commissioner of Public Health for Wyoming County and has extensive skilled nursing Medical Director experience. Dr. Collins is the Medical Director for the Wyoming County Skilled Nursing Facility, and has served in this role since 2005. Dr. Collins is a member of the Western New York Physician's (WNYP) group and will be working on-site, one day per week.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING GRANT AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND CITY HEALTH OFFICIALS (NACCHO)

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

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO)	NACCHO signing- 12/31/2020	\$5,000.00
1201 Eye Street, NW #400 Washington, DC 20005		
For: Medical Reserve Corps (MRC COVID-19 Operational Readiness Award)		

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
NACCHO Grant	0%	Yes X No

Director's Comments: This contract will allow us to engage for training for MRC activations.

Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the contract for approval.

Motion: Mrs. Babbitt Henry moved and Mr. Wester seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

2. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT FOR THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING AND CONSULTING, INC.

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>
Environmental Testing and Consulting, Inc. P.O. Box 466 Batavia, NY 14021	10/16/2020-10/15/2024	\$875.00 per investigation + lab & misc. fees See rate sheet
For: Environmental risk assessments of homes and building for lead resulting in children with high lead exposure.		

<i>Funding Source</i>	<i>Local Share</i>	<i>Budgeted?</i>
Livingston County/ NYS aid	36% - 100%	Yes X No

Director's Comments: This contract is to assess homes for high lead levels.

Motion: Mrs. Babbitt Henry moved and Mr. Wester seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

2. AMENDING THE 2020 LIVINGSTON COUNTY SALARY SCHEDULE: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REFERRING THIS MATTER TO THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that the 2020 Livingston County Salary Schedule is amended as follows:

Department of Health

- Create one (1) full-time Principal Account Clerk position at Wage Grade 15 CSEA Contract effective October 14, 2020.

For: To address additional billing responsibilities for the covid pandemic, as well as Article 6.

- Create two (2) full-time Mental Health Clinical Therapist positions at Wage Grade 17 CSEA Contract effective October 14, 2020.

For: To move Mental Health Licensed Therapists to Mental Health Clinical Therapists.

- Create one (1) full-time Director of Patient Services position at the salary range to be determined on the Department Head Salary Schedule.

For: To work with outgoing Director of Patient Services and assist in the pandemic oversight.

Ms. Rodriguez explained that there are no true position additions; she is moving people around. There is a senior account clerk that will be promoted to the principal account clerk position. She is moving two licensed therapists to clinical therapists because they now have their LCSW which allows them to bill for Medicare. Mr. Rodriguez explained that she is looking at a salary of \$68,000-\$69,500 for the Director of Patient Services position. She would be moving up a supervising public health nurse into the Director position and not filling the supervising public health nurse position until after Kathy Root's retirement. Kathy Root has done an outstanding job during the Covid pandemic and due to the pandemic Ms. Rodriguez wants to make sure we have a reasonable timeline for crossover and training. Ms. Rodriguez explained that the senior account clerk

position will be deleted once the new position is filled. Ms. Rodriguez explained that the current senior account clerk has been working out of title for almost the last six months. The Licensed Therapist positions are typically kept open.

Motion: Mr. Wester moved and Mrs. Babbitt Henry seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

2. VERIFYING THE USE OF NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING

WHEREAS, the funding provided by the NYS Office of Mental Health (“OMH”) to the Livingston County Mental Health Clinic pursuant to Part Y of Chapter 57 for the period beginning January 1, 2020, will be or was used solely to support and subsidize the salary and benefit costs for direct care staff and direct support professionals as defined by the OMH Commissioner and in accordance with standards prescribed by the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by OMH to the Livingston County Mental Health Clinic pursuant to Part Y of Chapter 57 for the period beginning April 1, 2020, will be or was used solely support and subsidize the salary and benefit costs for direct care staff, direct support professional and clinical staff as defined by the OMH Commissioner and in accordance with standards prescribed by the Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, such funding will not be and was not used for any other purpose or expense; and

WHEREAS, OMH requires each provider or local government unit to develop an implementation plan to ensure that the funding increases are utilized only for supporting and subsidizing the salary of eligible staff; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the funding already received from OMH with the understanding said funding will be or had been used solely to support and subsidize the salary and salary-related fringe benefits for the staff as described above; be it further

RESOLVED, that Michele Anuszkiewicz, the Director of Community Service, is hereby authorized to sign the New York State Office of Mental Health Certification Pursuant to Part Y of the Laws of 2019 verifying this use of said funding.

Ms. Rodriguez explained that this is required and mandated by OMH. Mr. Coyle explained that this basically says we are going to use the money we received from mental health for mental health as we have always done.

Motion: Mr. Falk moved and Mr. Mahus seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

3. PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 25-31, 2020 AS NATIONAL LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

WHEREAS, lead exposure to children can result from multiple sources and can cause irreversible and life-long health effects; and

WHEREAS, lead is especially dangerous to children under the age of 6; and

WHEREAS, lead poisoning is preventable; the key is to keep children from coming into contact with lead; and

WHEREAS, there are simple steps that can be taken to protect all family members from lead based-paint hazards in the home; and

WHEREAS, education and awareness about the dangers of lead can help protect the lives of children living in Livingston County, NY; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisor’s hereby proclaim October 20-26, 2020, as National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, that residents and local government officials of Livingston County shall observe this week with appropriate programs and activities designed to enhance public awareness of lead poisoning prevention and the ways we can protect our families from lead poisoning.

Motion: Mr. Falk moved and Mr. Wester seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

4. PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 4-10, 2020 AS MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Whereas, mental health is part of overall health; and

Whereas, one in five adults experiences a mental health problem in any given year; and

Whereas, approximately one-half of chronic mental illness begins by the age of 14 and three-quarters by

age 24; and

Whereas, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States and the 2nd leading cause among young adults, and 90% of people who die by suicide had shown symptoms of a mental health condition, according to interviews with family, friends and medical professionals; and

Whereas, long delays—sometimes decades—often occur between the time symptoms first appear and when individuals get help; and

Whereas, early identification and treatment can make a difference in successful management of mental illness and recovery; and

Whereas, it is important to maintain mental health and learn the symptoms of mental illness in order to get help when it is needed; and

Whereas, every citizen and community can make a difference in helping end the silence and stigma that for too long has surrounded mental illness and discouraged people from getting help; and

Whereas, public education and civic activities can encourage mental health and help improve the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim October 4-10, 2020 as Mental Illness Awareness Week in Livingston County, New York to shine a light on mental illness and fight stigma, provide support, educate the public and advocate for equal care.

Motion: Mr. Mahus moved and Mrs. Babbitt Henry seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

5. PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed form of cancer for women in the United States and remains the second leading cause of cancer death among American women; and

WHEREAS, mammography, an “x-ray of the breast”, is recognized as the single most effective method of detecting breast changes long before physical symptoms can be seen or felt. Early detection and improved treatment is believed to have significantly reduced the number of deaths caused by breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, researchers, scientists, and numerous nonprofit organizations are dedicated to discovering the cure for breast cancer. During the month of October, we acknowledge the extraordinary commitment and effort invested in this cause; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that over two and a half million Americans are breast cancer survivors that give us hope of a better future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors extends their support for those who continue to cope with breast cancer, survivors and those advocating for prevention and a cure and in so doing hereby proclaim October 2020 as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month” in Livingston County.

Motion: Mr. Wester moved and Mrs. Babbitt Henry seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

Ms. Rodriguez reported that she continues to have weekly calls continue with SUNY. There is a small cluster at a sorority house. Daily clinic on the campus continues to be successful. The school regulations have changed to be more flexible. The Governor has required additional enforcement in hotspot areas. We are very thankful that we are not a hotspot area. We have less than 10 cases; Steuben County got up to 200 cases this morning. There was discussion on the crossover for students in the Wayland Cohocton School District. We are seeing our cases trending more in the northern portion of the County. Ms. Rodriguez explained that we are keeping a very close eye on the schools. There was discussion on contract tracing and how long it takes for someone to be exposed and also test positive. When we have the POC tester, results will be done in 15 minutes. If you need to be tested the Jefferson Road Urgent Care results come back in hours instead of days.

Informational Item(s) Written Only

- The COOP continues to be implemented in response to COVID-19 pandemic. Health Education continues to respond to the pandemic as well as non COVID initiatives and projects.
- *Be Well in Livingston*(Nunda)- informational social media posts, evaluation of fitness equipment and walking trail at Kiwanis Park (N=20, 35% stated they got 30-60 minutes of physical activity, 25% used equipment and 25% stated equipment and walking trail increased their physical activity level) winner of

\$100 Olympia Sports gift card was highlighted on FB; two community members to create video on how to use the exercise equipment at the Kiwanis Park; discussion of rehabbing the fitness trail/ropes course on Dalton School property

- Submitted application for NYSACHO LHD COVID-19 Emergency Response Efforts.
- Coordinated virtual SHAPE 5K for Livingston County staff and families.
- Conducting strategic planning process to develop plan for LCDOH for 2021-2023 - Environmental Scan summarized by Common Ground Health to be presented to administrative staff in September, using strategy grid to identify priorities: Improve Community Health through Collective Impact (include CHIP/Health Equity) and Information Management Technology; develop work plan in October
- Submitted 2020 MRC COVID-19 Operational Readiness Award application regarding POD mission set.
- Coordinating Medical Reserve Core NACCHO grant funding regarding recruitment and retention of volunteers - MRC volunteers assisted with rabies clinics, food distribution and COVID testing at LCDOH
- Submitted Partnership to Advance Integrated Referrals application for RHC to collaborate with CASA-Trinity.
- EH and nursing staff have completed one year of services under the new State mandate whereas the lead action level in children was reduced by two-thirds. During this time, LCDOH has accrued approximately \$20,000 in lead risk assessment costs in contrast to approximately \$4,000 per year in previous years.
- Under the new COVID mandates, EH has coordinated gym and fitness center reopening with 23 facilities in Livingston County facilities. Most facilities have reopened
- Senior Sanitarian Cathy Higgins retired and the vacant position will not be backfilled until 2022 due to budgetary considerations.

OTHER – IAN COYLE

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020 AS DOMESTIC/FAMILY VIOLENCE EDUCATION AND AWARENESS MONTH FOR LIVINGSTON COUNTY

WHEREAS, October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month across the United States, and purple has been designated as the domestic violence color marker, and

WHEREAS, the issue of domestic/family violence is a major societal problem that costs the County government and taxpayers thousands of dollars each year and will only yield in part to continual focus and exposure by the County government, its affiliates and committees, and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Domestic Violence Consortium and the Livingston County Domestic Violence Task Force fully support the implementation of this resolution in support of their collaborative efforts within the County, and

WHEREAS, the Education, Prevention and Awareness arm of Chances and Changes, Inc. demonstrates a partnership commitment to provide presentations and information to schools to educate kindergarten through college level students, many area public sector organizations, and emphasizes the need for exposure and training for County businesses, especially their managers and supervisors on this difficult topic, and

WHEREAS, events and programs are offered by the County domestic/family violence agency, Chances and Changes, Inc., during October of each year in acknowledgement of this National Awareness Month, and include programs with and for SUNY Geneseo and other County students, community residents recognized by Partners In Change awards and other County activities such as candlelight vigils and Friends and Family Information Sessions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the month of October, 2020 as Domestic/Family Violence Education and Awareness Month for Livingston County.

Motion: Mr. Wester moved and Mr. Falk seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

Mr. Coyle reviewed the recent hot spots in the region and downstate. We definitely have contiguous counties with an uptick in cases. SUNY Geneseo will be going remote after the Thanksgiving break. Mr. Coyle also updated the Committee on the budget work completed. The largest question mark for us has been sales tax. We received a much larger draw than anticipated yesterday for this time of year. Typically the draw would be \$2.8M and it was \$4M. Right now the budget is flat. There was discussion on any adjustments at the next

draw.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Wester moved and Mrs. Babbitt Henry seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES – DIANE DEANE

Informational Item(s) Written Only

1. Provide Proposal for 2021-2023 Indigent Burial Rate Sheet
2. Statistics (Monthly) (August)

	<u>Aug</u>	<u>% Change from Jan 1</u>
Temporary Assistance Cases (TA):		
Family Assistance	173	-11.73%
Safety Net	222	-5.93%
Total	395	-8.56%
Medicaid Cases (MA):		
Community	1923	14.94%
Chronic Care	244	5.17%
Foster Care	158	0.00%
SSI	1281	2.73%
Total	3606	8.94%
Livingston County Citizens receiving some form of Medicaid service:		
Cases In Transit	0	
NYSOH		
Livingston County DSS	4643	
Total	4643	
Food Stamp Only Cases:	2340	6.80%
SSI Food Stamp Cases:	767	-3.40%
Child Care Cases:	77	-36.36%
Fraud:		
Front End Detection (FEDS) - During Applicant Status	0	
Fraud Referrals Received - Anonymous/Other	5	
Fraud Referrals Received - Internal/DSS	0	
Referrals sent to Sheriff & DA	0	
Pending with DA/Awaiting Disposition	7	
Clients thru the lobby (Unduplicated #):	498	
Total # of individuals served by reception staff:	774	
Housing - Homeless Caseload:		
Diversions	10	
Housed	32	
Total	42	
Total Nights	578	

Singles	451	
2 Adults	0	
Families	127	
Total Clients in Temp. Housing at end of month	22	
Clients entering Temp. Housing & remaining in the month	12	
Code Blue - Below 32 Degrees		
Cases	0	
Nights	0	
Section 8 Vouchers Leased Up:	497	
Child Support:		
Caseload Count	2,857	-5.21%
Dollars Collected	\$555,520	
Child Protective Services (CPS): Ongoing		
New Primary Investigation Assignments	48	
Secondary Assignments from Other Counties	20	
Petitions Filed	4	
1034 Court Ordered Investigations Completed	6	
CPS Ongoing Case Management/Preventive Services:	79	12.86%
CPS Ongoing Management Cases	51	
Article 10 Placement/Non-DSS Custody Cases (Out of Home)	21	
*Distinct Children	38	
Supervision Cases Remaining in Home	25	
*Distinct Children	69	
Supervision Cases on Behalf of Another County-Secondary	5	
*Distinct Children	7	
Probation Based # of Children Referred	29	
School Based Consults (Avon, Dansville, Livonia)	65	
TASA (Case Management for Pregnant/Parenting Teens) Active	3	
Foster Care	56	
Foster Children - DSS Custody	44	2.33%
OCFS State Custody	4	
Levels of Care:		
Foster Boarding Home	36	
Approved Relative Foster Home	0	
Institution	4	
Group Home	3	
Supervised Independent Living	0	
Other	1	
Other Case Processing	12	
ICPC Requests	1	
Supervision - Post Discharged - Court Ordered	3	

Supervision on behalf of another county	0	
Aftercare Services	4	
Children on Trial Discharge	0	
Children Discharged to Parent or other resource	4	
Adoptions	1	
Protective Services for Adults (PSA):	40	-16.67%
PSA Referrals Received	19	
Active Financial Mgmt. Cases	44	
Active Home Mgmt. Cases	43	
Personal Care Aide Cases	36	
Level I	4	
Level II	29	
Level I pending	3	
Cases waiting for an assigned Aide	5	
Guardianship Cases	3	
Awaiting discharge	6	
Pending	0	
Assessment Contacts	81	

3. Employees hired, resigned or retired in September:

Cassandra Lauko	Released	Eligibility Clerk	9/15/20	Geneseo
Erin Pagano	Promotion	Sr. Caseworker	9/27/20	Mt. Morris

OFFICE FOR THE AGING – SUE CARLOCK
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Served Client Summary

Livingston

01/01/2020 and 07/30/2020

Report Run Date: 08/24/2020

State Service Type Summary

State Service Type	Total Units
Case Management	1,247hours/331 people
Home Delivered Meals	46,876 meals/465 people
In-Home Contact and Support	7,382 contacts/490 people
Information & Assistance	3,181 calls
Nutrition Education	7,331 contacts
Personal Care (In-Home)	4,277 hours/46 people
Personal Emergency Response System	3,295 service months

New York State Office for the Aging Update:

NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF NEW ONLINE TOOL TO HELP OLDER NEW YORKERS AND OTHER HIGH-RISK INDIVIDUALS PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM COVID-19

Public-Private Partnership between New York State Office for the Aging, BellAge, Inc., and Association on Aging in New York

CV19 CheckUp Tool Developed by BellAge Offers Individualized Support Options to Help Reduce Risk and Enhance Quality of Life for High Risk New Yorkers of All Ages: [newyork.cv19checkup.org](https://www.newyork.cv19checkup.org)

The New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA), in partnership with BellAge, Inc., and the Association on Aging in New York (AgingNY) has announced the launch of CV19 CheckUp in New York State, a free, anonymous, personalized online tool that evaluates an individual’s risks associated with COVID-19 based on their life situation and individual behavior and provides recommendations and resources to reduce those risks.

“There has been a lot of misinformation about COVID-19 and the risks associated with contracting and spreading the virus,” **said NYSOFA Acting Director Greg Olsen.** “This tool, which we will make available to all New Yorkers, helps individuals understand their risk based on their life situation and personal behavior and offers recommendations to reduce those risks while also connecting people to services, if needed.”

The tool was developed by BellAge to help people be safer, healthier, and ensure their individual needs are met during the pandemic. CV19 CheckUp fills a critical need for a comprehensive resource that educates, advises, and empowers individuals to help protect themselves from COVID-19.

CV19 CheckUp employs artificial intelligence to analyze data each person provides by completing an online questionnaire. It is designed for those who are considered high risk, including older adults, low income individuals, ethnic and racial minorities, and LGBTQ communities. The tool’s algorithms are driven by science and medicine, using data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO). CV19 CheckUp is free to users. It is anonymous and does not require a name, email address, or identifier of any type.

Upon completion of the anonymous questionnaire, CV19 CheckUp immediately delivers a personalized report. The report answers questions such as:

- How likely am I to get COVID-19 or spread it to others?
- If I get COVID-19, how severe would it likely be?
- What steps can I take to reduce my risks of getting COVID-19?
- Where can I find help to ensure my needs are met during the pandemic?

The individualized approach that defines CV19 CheckUp will deliver much needed support to those who are hardest hit by COVID-19, including the more than 4.3 million New Yorkers age 60 and older, as well as those with underlying health conditions and/or compromised immune systems. The CDC has described these people as being at higher risk of severe or fatal consequences if they are infected with COVID-19.

Some high-risk individuals are not following all the recommended behaviors to lessen their chances of becoming infected, and some may be experiencing unmet service needs due to Matilda’s Law. And as New York State continues to move forward with reopening, some lower-risk individuals have begun to relax social

distancing and practice unsafe behaviors, which threaten the health and well-being of those who are at higher risk.

CV19 CheckUp assesses each person's unique situation and presents options to help reduce risk and enhance quality of life.

In addition, through CV19 CheckUp, governments and health organizations also receive data that will help facilitate developing methods to help target populations that are at high risk for COVID-19. Data are completely anonymous, and findings can be used to gain insights on:

- What people know and believe about the pandemic
- Compliance levels with recommended safety protocols
- Behaviors by location, race, ethnicity, economic status, etc.
- Unmet needs for health care, social services, financial support

To learn more, please visit newyork.cv19checkup.org.

NYS OFFICE FOR THE AGING URGES OLDER ADULTS AND CAREGIVERS TO LEARN THE WARNING SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF SEPSIS

Recognizing Early Warning Signs, Getting Timely Treatment, and Preventing Infections Critical for the Health and Safety of Older Adults, Who Remain at High Risk for COVID-19

September is Sepsis Awareness Month

The New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) urges caregivers and older New Yorkers, particularly those with chronic health conditions and/or a weakened or impaired immune system, to learn to recognize the early [warning signs of sepsis](#), to get immediate treatment, and to learn how to prevent infections that could lead to sepsis. Sepsis is a very serious illness for people of all ages, but it can be particularly devastating, even deadly, for older adults—even more so now because of the [COVID-19](#) pandemic.

“Staying healthy during this pandemic is critical, particularly for older adults, who are at greater risk for COVID-19,” said **NYSOFA Acting Director Greg Olsen**. “Sepsis can come on quickly and can be fatal. Simple precautions, like frequent handwashing and getting [recommended vaccinations](#) can prevent the underlying illnesses that often lead to sepsis. If an infection does set in, it must be treated as quickly and effectively as possible.”

Sepsis is a progressive shutdown of the body's organs and systems caused by systemic inflammation following an infection that enters the blood or soft tissue. Those who don't die often experience life-altering consequences like missing limbs or organ dysfunction. Studies have shown that early detection combined with appropriate interventions can significantly improve the chances of survival.

Sepsis is a public health crisis. It is a condition that ends up killing more people than cancer and occurs more commonly than a heart attack. In the United States, someone dies from sepsis every two minutes, and someone

is hospitalized due to sepsis every 20 seconds. Approximately 50,000 people in New York are diagnosed with severe sepsis or septic shock each year; of those, 30% of adults and 9% of children die in the hospital from sepsis. It is the leading cause of hospital readmissions and the top cost for avoidable hospitalizations in New York. More than 80% of sepsis cases begin outside of the hospital. [Home care patients](#) are at particular risk for sepsis, as the condition can often go unnoticed until it becomes life-threatening.

Under Governor Cuomo's leadership, New York became the first state in the nation to enact sepsis [regulations](#). New York is also the first state to publish hospital specific sepsis data in public [reports](#).

People aged 65 years and older make up almost 65% of sepsis cases in hospitals. Statistics indicate that older severe sepsis survivors were three times more likely to suffer a mental decline, making it impossible for them to return to their previous living arrangements, and often resulting in admission into a long-term health care facility. The risk of dying from severe sepsis or septic shock also increases with age.

Prevention and early recognition of the [warning signs of sepsis](#) are critical.

Key to preventing sepsis is preventing an infection from occurring in the first place. Proper and frequent hand washing decreases the risk of getting an infection. In addition, many illnesses can be prevented through regular vaccinations, such as flu or pneumonia shots. If an infection does set in, it must be taken seriously and treated immediately.

Death from sepsis increases 8% every hour that treatment is delayed. As many as 80% of sepsis deaths may be prevented with rapid diagnosis and treatment.

Signs of sepsis among adults include:

- Change in body temperature, either a fever (above 101.3 degrees F) or a lower than normal temperature (below 95 degrees F)
- Rapid heart rate (above 90 beats per minute)
- Rapid breathing (above 20 breaths per minute)
- Shaking
- Confusion, which may be more common among older people
- Sepsis can move into severe sepsis quickly, so getting help and treatment as quickly as possible is vital

For more information, please visit the [New York State Department of Health](#) or [www.sepsis.org](#).

Program Updates:

PUBLIC/LEGAL NOTICE

The Livingston County Office for the Aging announces that the Department's annual Public Hearing(s) will be conducted differently this year due to COVID-19. The Hearing is used to provide information about the proposed 2021 service plan and seek the input of older adults, caregivers, professionals, and County residents. Abstracts for the proposed 2021 plan are available by calling the Office (585.243.7520)

or online at www.livingstoncounty.us/133. The 2019 Annual Report is available as well.

Anyone interested may submit questions or comments through the 31st of October:

By mail: Livingston County Office for the Aging

**3 Murray Hill Drive
Mt. Morris NY 14510
Attn: Public Hearing**

By email: ofta@co.livingston.ny.us

Subject: Public Hearing

By faxing comments to: 585.243.7516

Subject: Public Hearing

Or calling the Director at the Office at 585.243.7520

All questions or comments will be accepted and could include answers to one or more of the following questions.

- 1. What services would you like to see provided by the Office for the Aging?*
- 2. Are there any changes you'd like to see in existing Office for the Aging services?*
- 3. Any other general comments related to future services for seniors?*

Anyone interested in participating in a Public Hearing Videoconference or Conference Call, please call the Office for the Aging at 585.243.7520.

Please let us know if you need interpretation or other accommodations to participate.

Input, comments, suggestions, questions and answers will be compiled and available upon request.

Senior Nutrition:

Lunch on the Lawn was instituted the first week in August wrapped up the week of September 28, 2020. Each site offered a lunch weekly. Avon Senior Nutrition Site is held theirs at Driving Park, Mount Morris at Murray Hill and Dansville at Babcock Park. There was a maximum of 10 at any lunch, social distancing was enforced, and health questionnaires completed. Over seventy individuals participated.

Health Promotion:

We have resumed the Aging Mastery class that was suspended in March with social distancing, COVID precautions, etc. The class is being held in the conference center where participants are very spread out. Tai Chi is being held virtually and outdoors currently.

VETERAN'S SERVICES AGENCY – JASON SKINNER

Informational Item(s) Written Only

Monument update:

The Veterans Monument has been painted. The next step is drilling and placing the poppies. We hope to have this done in the first half of October.

VA Caregiver Benefits eligibility expansion:

The expansion of the caregivers benefit on October 1st will lead to an increase of our offices work load.

Veterans must have served in the active military, naval, or air service on or before May 7, 1975. Anyone who served from September 11, 2001 to May 7, 1975 will be eligible in two years. (October 2022)

- A. Veterans must have single or combined service-connected disability rating by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) of 70% or more.
- B. Be in need of personal care services (requiring in-person personal care services) for a minimum of six continuous months based on any one of the following:
 - a. an inability to perform an activity of daily living (ADL)
 - b. a need for supervision, protection, or instruction.

We know of over 250 Veterans the meet basic eligibility.

A stipend can be paid up to \$21,494 yearly at the level A amount of \$1,791.17 per month. Or, \$13433.76 per year at level B of \$1,119.48 per month. This could bring 5 to 3 Million in additional benefits the veterans and their families.

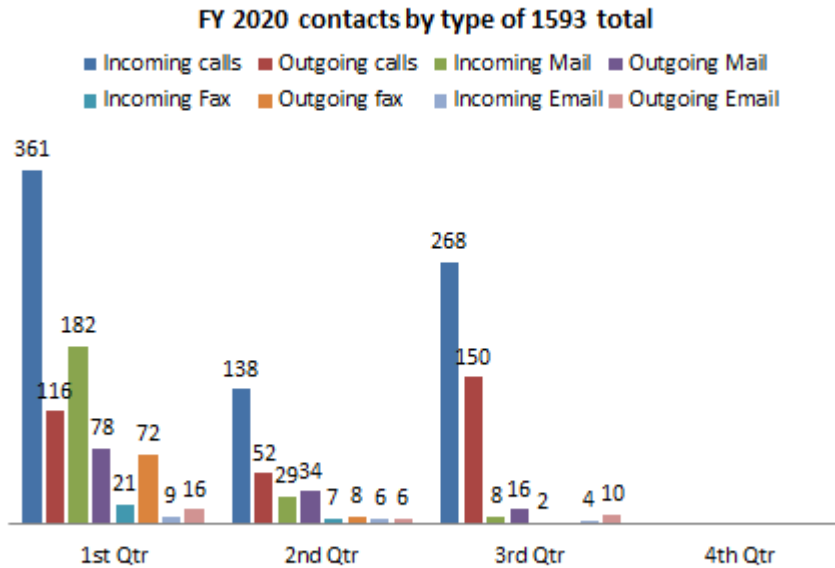
New strategy for outreach:

Beginning next year, we will provide bi-monthly Zoom meetings for anyone wishing to learn about veterans' benefits and our services. For those who wish to participate but, do not have the capability to use technology we will have in person meetings. We will be testing this program with internal stakeholders like the Office for the Aging.

The Veterans Outreach center will provide case management and free RTS bus passes to our veterans starting in late October Covid dependent.

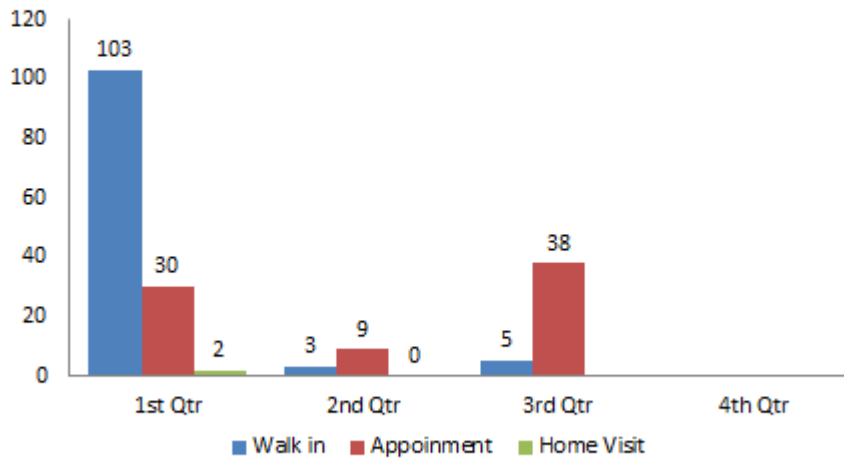
Office Statistics:

Office utilization had a sharp increase in September. The majority of contacts for the third quarter were made in just that month.



FY 2020 Office Visits

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