

Senior Services

- Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center
- Foster Grandparent Program
- Food Services
- EISEP & Neighborhood Advisor

Eastwood Community Center Board Report November 2021

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 60 active seniors at month-end November

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- The FSD nutrition program is serving 10-12 seniors daily
- Two-Three of these seniors are having meals delivered
- Approximately 4-5 seniors are dining on-site
- A monthly informational mailing to the seniors includes a newsletter, monthly menu, updates on COVID 19, along with community information
- Tablet training is in its third session with 3 ECC seniors participating
Additionally, 13 FGP participants have joined Tablet training for this session
Great collaboration between both departments benefiting our seniors
- Activities for fully-vaccinated seniors include: Tablet Training, Game Day, Art/Crafts, Walking with Oscar & Book Club
- Harvest lunch provided 22 on-site meals and 21 take-away meals to our seniors

Monitoring & Assistance provided to Eastwood Community Center's seniors:

On a regular basis we are reaching out to the seniors who are home-bound and receiving meals to-go insuring their safety and on-going needs are met.

Success Story:

One of our seniors, Julia, has been receiving meals from ECC delivered by Oscar to her home in Eastwood. Over the past month staff has been working towards the goal of enrolling her in the FSD Meals to Go program. This program will provide more meals to help with her nutritional needs. During November, Julia was enrolled into this program. At 90+ years, she is excited to receive meals from Sharon Thompson twice per week. These meals play an important part of Julia's livelihood – enabling her to live at home and age in place.

Foster Grandparent Program Board Report November 2021

Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment:

- 91 enrolled
- 4 to be dropped – 1 deceased, 2 health, 1 moved out of NYS
- 2 inactive

FGP Updates:

Return to Service – In-person Volunteer Service:

- 4 – foster grandparents serving at Head Start: Merrick, Sumner & James St.
- 1 – foster grandparent serving at Salvation Army Day Care Center
- SCSD – no update on when FGs can return to service at elementary schools.
- 5 unvaccinated seniors – therefore cannot participate in group activities

November Activities:

November 17 - In-Service & Harvest Lunch

- ♦ Session 1: 9:30 am – 12 noon --- 29 FGs
- ♦ Session 2: 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm-- 27 FGs

Guest Speaker: Mary Beth Basha, Senior Consumer Advocate, National Grid

Topics: How Seniors Can Meet their Energy Needs - HEAP info, assistance for low-income customers, energy efficiency programs, energy saving tips, etc.

Harvest Luncheon to go – provided by PEACE, Inc. Food Services

November 18 – Advisory Council Meeting

FGP Tablet Tech Training

- November 9 start date of Tablet Technology Training session at ECC
5 week session- once a week through 12/7
13 FGs participating
Rollin Mincher of ECC is teaching session

Upcoming Events:

- December 2 - FGP In-Service
- December 9 - FGP In-Service

Food Services Board Report December 2021

Food Services Meals Served: November

Head Start Meals:

- 6,288 Breakfast
- 6,432 Lunches
- 5,736 Snacks

Senior Nutrition Meals: 3,698

CARES Home Delivered Meals: 1,264

Special Function Meals Delivered:

- 0 Breakfast
- 0 Lunch
- 0 Snack

Senior Nutrition Contribution:

- Net contribution:
\$6,593.52
- Average Meal Contribution:
\$1.78

Upcoming Events:

This month the Onondaga County Department of Adult & long Term Services will conduct the Senior Nutrition Annual Assessment.

Program Opportunities:

Open positions:

- 2 – Kitchen Worker/ Driver positions
- 1 – Kitchen Aide position
- Various Site Manager positions

Success Story:

Senior Nutrition successfully served 717 Thanksgiving meals in November.

SENIOR SUPPORTS: Neighborhood Advisor Program & EISEP Board Report ~ December 2021

EISEP – Jessica Brown, Case Manager

Client Activity:

- 50 Active Clients
- 0 new clients
- 5 clients discharged/terminated
- 11 home visits
- 83 units of service

Activities:

11/5/21 – completed Agency's Sexual Harassment Prevention Training

11/10/21 – participated in Onondaga County Dept. of Aging EISEP Case Managers Meeting

Neighborhood Advisor Program

- 11/15/21 – Rene Green assume Neighborhood Advisor role.

Client Activities:

- 3 clients assisted
- Areas of support:
 - Housing referrals
 - HEAP application
 - SNAP application
 - Financial support assistance
 - Housing repairs referrals

