

Senior Services

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

09-2023



Eastwood Community Center Board Report August / September 2023

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 100 registered seniors at month-end September
- 7 new seniors enrolled

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- Approximately 20+ seniors are dining on-site daily
- A monthly informational mailing to the seniors includes a newsletter, monthly menu, activities, along with community information
- Activities for seniors include: Movie Day, Smart Device Training, Game Day, Art/Crafts, Bunko, Bingo, Walking with Oscar & Book Club
- The ECC breakfast Club visited The Gem Diner on August 31, 2023. There were 11 seniors attending
- On 8/16/23 – 24 seniors went on the Mid-Lakes Navigation boat cruise around Skaneateles Lake. A buffet lunch was included.
- 35 seniors and staff attended the Met's game on August, 23, 2023. A buffet lunch was included.
- ECC's annual picnic was held at Ryder Park in Dewitt. Over 45 seniors attended. Lunch was catered by Limp Lizard with music by Jerry Cali.
- The seniors visited Kent and Linda Taber at their cabin in Redfield for lunch and relaxation around a fire on September 26th. Kent and Linda provided lunch and dessert. There were 14 seniors in attendance.

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

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

Success Story:

Tony Romano, a new neighborhood resident recently joined ECC. Tony and his wife reside above the former flower shop across from ECC. He is formerly from the East Syracuse area. His wife has extensive health issues and they lost their home this past spring due to a foreclosure. ECC plays an important part of their lives through the Senior Nutrition and recreation program. Tony and his wife pick up "to-go" meals daily. Senior Nutrition provides food security for both Tony and his wife Sharon. ECC offers both Tony and Sharon socialization to enhance their quality of life. Daily, Tony comes over to sit and talk with the other seniors.



Food Services Board Report October 2023

Food Services Meals Served: September

Head Start Meals:

- 7,452 Breakfast
- 7,452 Lunches
- 7,452 Snacks

Senior Nutrition Meals: 5,236

Special Function Meals Delivered:

- 0 Breakfast
- 0 Lunch
- 0 Snack

Salvation Army Senior Meals: 450

Salvation Army Day Care Meals: 1,030

Senior Nutrition Contribution:

- Net contribution:
\$8,096.47
- Average Meal Contribution:
\$1.55

Upcoming Events:

Our special Harvest meal has been scheduled for November 17th. The seniors are very excited to be able to celebrate in person.

Program Opportunities:

Open positions:

- 1-Kitchen Worker / Driver (PT)
- 1-Cook

Success Story: We have been approved to open a new Senior Nutrition site. The Senior Adult Ministry in Kirkville is scheduled to open on November 7th and will serve on Tuesday's.



Foster Grandparent Program Board Report September 2023



Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment:

- 75 enrolled
- 12 enrolled – 5 returning FGs
- 1 dropped – 1 deceased

FGP Updates:

New Volunteer Orientation

- September 19, 20, 21 & 28 = 20 hours of classroom-style training
- 12 new volunteers
- Currently placing volunteers in assignments at SCSD and Head Start
3 to Head Start, 9 to SCSD.

Special Guest

- On 9/20, Robert Glazier, AmeriCorps Deputy Regional Administrator, visited FGP and observed our new volunteer orientation training, chatted with staff and volunteers.

Upcoming Events:

- In-Services – October 18 and 19
- Topic: Introductions to Common Core – how Head Start incorporates common core in early education and how it directs learning in elementary schools



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EISEP Case Manager – Rachel DeFio

Client Activity:

- ♦ 52 Active Clients
- ♦ 3 new clients
- ♦ 4 discharged clients
- ♦ 26 units of case management service
- ♦ 9 Home Visits

Activities:

- 9/6/23 – Monthly Case Managers Meeting with OFA
- 9/21/23- Onondaga Co. Dept. of Adult & Long Term Care Services Training – Medicare & Senior Exemptions ~ OnGov Real Property Tax Services, NYS EPIC, NYS Connects, Medicare Open Enrollment.

Neighborhood Advisor Program

Position open - Jennyfer Jones – resigned on 9/18/23 without notice.