

Senior Services

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

Eastwood Community Center Board Report December 2024

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 84 registered seniors at month-end of December new seniors enrolled
 - Previous number was reported as 99. This reduction is to adjust those no longer attending prior to the first CSBG PPR report for 2024-2025.

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- Approximately 25+ 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.
- ECC & Community Engagement partnered for Giving A Holiday 2024. This year's event was a great success! Over 90 families received gifts of which ECC staff and volunteers served as Santa's helpers to deliver the gifts from corporate partners to the sites.
- ECC's annual holiday party was held on December 20, 2024. There were 65 seniors in attendance.
- A very large donation from Carter's through Delivering Good was shipped to Nucor Steel in Auburn, New York. There were 6 tractor trailers over the span of a week delivering 150 pallets of apparel.

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

None to Report

SENIOR NUTRITION

December: **6,504** Meals served to congregate senior sites.

➤ **\$8,256.13** total senior contributions, average of **\$1.27** per diner.

475 Meals served to Salvation Army seniors. (Invoiced **\$3,139.11**)

HEAD START / SALVATION ARMY KIDS

December: Head Start Breakfast: **7,728** Salvation Army Kids: **1,155** (Invoiced **\$5,486.90**)

Head Start Lunch: **7,992**

Head Start Snack: **7,728**

Food Service Program Updates December

☞ Annual Program evaluation and audit results returned from the county. Report is listed as satisfactory without any outstanding discrepancies from prior annual assessment, audit or monthly assessment. *"The staff at PEACE, Inc. has made commendable efforts in managing costs and enhancing meal quality, as evidence by positive feedback from customer satisfaction surveys. The return of CNY Regional Markets' senior lunch program has seen increased attendance compared to last year. The PEACE food service staff deserves recognition for effectively accommodating the growing number of participants. Open and constant communication with PEACE staff has been crucial in delivering high-quality congregate meal program, and their responsiveness to concerns have been essential to the program's continued success."*

☞ Two congregate sites celebrated the season with holiday parties where PEACE provided over 160 meals to seniors.

Program Opportunities

☞ Open Position- COOK. Currently conducting interviews for this position.

Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment:

69 enrolled

- 1 FGs discharged – 1 health issues

FGP Updates

December 5 In-Service ~ Optional Holiday Activity

- 29 FGs
- Potluck Breakfast.
- Movie Viewing – *Elf*.
- Holiday Decoration crafting

Upcoming Events:

- January 23 - In-Service
 - Topics to include Senior Citizen Health and Wellness

Holiday Recognition

All FGs received a \$10 gift card to WalMart for their dedication and commitment.



SENIOR SUPPORTS

Neighborhood Advisor Program & EISEP

Offices at County West FRC

Board Report – Recap of November 2024

Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program

Case Manager ~ Jackie Gayle

Client Activity:

- 31 clients
 - 4 client discharged from Program
 - 3 clients moved to assisted living facility, 1 client not paying cost share
 - 1 new clients –
 - Client transferred from County's caseload to PEACE.
 - 27 clients served = 50 contacts
 - 96.5 units of service

Meetings & Events:

- 12/3/2025 – Monthly Case Managers Meeting with County by Zoom
 - Language Access Services available for clients including professional Interpreter services for limited English and sign language.

Updates:

- Onondaga County Dept. of Aging continues with budget deficit
- Current clients continuing to receive EISEP services
- Enrollment of any new clients on hold
- Case Manager continues to assist eligible clients with Medicaid Enrollment.