

Senior Services

- Luncheon invitation to the
PEACE, Inc. Foster Grandparent Program
Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon
- Foster Grandparent Program
- EISEP & Neighborhood Advisor
- Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center
- Food Services/Senior Nutrition



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Carolyn D. Brown, Executive Director

PEACE, Inc.

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

53rd Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

12:00 Noon

The Collegian Hotel

1060 East Genesee Street ~ Syracuse, NY

Reservations Required - Please Reply by May 7th

Guest meals are \$ 33.00 each

Foster Grandparents – no cost

Meal Choice:

Prosciutto Wrapped Chicken or Grilled Salmon or Grilled Eggplant Rollatini



Please complete this form, detach and mail to FGP

Foster Grandparent Attending (no cost) _____

Meal Selection _____

Name of Guest (\$33 per meal) _____

Meal Selection _____

Please make checks payable to and mail by May 7 to:
PEACE, Inc. Foster Grandparent Program
401 South Midler Ave. Syracuse, NY 13206



Foster Grandparent Program Board Report March 2025 Recap



Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment

- 68 enrolled

FGP Updates

March In-Service Training

- March 12 ~ 28 FGs
- March 13 ~ 33 FGs
- Refugee Resettlement & Effects on Children: Jenny Prouty, Center for New Americans, Interfaith Works of CNY Understanding what children are going through and how to support children: refugee vs. immigrant; stages of Cultural accommodations -euphoria, culture shock, acceptance, and adaption. Silent period and language acquisition. Trauma and stress. Assimilation.
- English Language Learners and their education in Syracuse: Jennifer White, ENL, World Languages & Bilingual Education Dept. Syracuse City School District Supporting newcomers to our educational system. Post migration stresses & its effects on children new to the classroom: traumatic, resettlement, acculturation and isolation. Typical behaviors and challenges and suggested interventions & strategies for students: academic, behavioral, social and physical.

Upcoming Events

- **April In-Service Training – April 16 & 17**
 - Science and Nature by Baltimore Woods Nature Center
 - **Annual FGP Volunteer Recognition Luncheon**
 - Wednesday, May 14 at 12 noon at The Collegian Hotel – 1060 East Genesee St.
- Special recognition to:
- 15 Years
 - Frances Malone – Dr. Weeks Elementary
 - Bill Zimmer – McKinley Brighton Elementary
 - 10 years

▪ Reginald Barber	James Conlan	Elena Corbacio
▪ Wilhelmina Dey	Lula Flucker	Cassandra Jenkins
▪ Ruby Jones	Eloina Llorena	Patricia McCullars
▪ Shirley Moody	Carol Thornton	Teress Wade
▪ Steve Walker	Nellie Willingham	

AmeriCorps Grant Application

- Renewal application submitted 3/20/2025
- Covering 3 year grant cycle – July 2025 – June 2028

SENIOR SUPPORTS
Neighborhood Advisor Program & EISEP
Offices at County West FRC
Board Report – March 2025 Recap

Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program

Case Manager ~ Jackie Gayle

Client Activity:

- 40 clients
 - 3 new clients
 - 31 clients served = 55 contacts
 - 122.25 units of service

Meetings & Events:

- 4/1/25 - Monthly Case Managers Meeting with County
- 3/27/25 – Monthly Dept. of Aging Meeting – Nutrition Programs – Home Delivered Meals, Nutritional Counseling & Education, SNAP, Congregate Meals, Food Bank of CNY and Senior Farmers Market Coupons.

Updates:

EISEP budget for 4/1/2025-3/31/2026

Re: Per Onondaga County Funding: Dept of Aging is still awaiting final approval of NYS budget. We've been instructed to continue following previous year's budget. County will provide update once further information out of Albany is available.

Eastwood Community Center Board Report April 2025

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 92 registered seniors at month-end **March**
- 2 new seniors enrolled

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- March saw a change with more seniors attending the site.
- 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 seniors visited Only Ours Diner for breakfast on March 27, 2025. There were 14 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.

Program Updates:

- Friday March, 14th the Food Bank of CNY presented on the Food \$en\$e program. There were 24 in attendance and several have placed orders for the April food pick up.
- Chair Yoga for Seniors started on 3/26/25 with 11 attending

SENIOR NUTRITION

March: **6,348** Meals served to congregate senior sites.

➤ **\$10,490.70** total senior contributions, average of **\$1.65** per diner.

525 Meals served to Salvation Army seniors. (Invoiced **\$3,420.56**)

HEAD START / SALVATION ARMY KIDS

March: Head Start Breakfast: **11,352** Salvation Army Kids: **1,300** (Invoiced **\$6,102.17**)

Head Start Lunch: **11,712**

Head Start Snack: **10,824**

Food Service Program Updates March

☞ Seniors of Skaneateles has received approval for the proposed site and is now going to shadow existing site for more information and training.

☞ During the month of March, ethnic menu items were introduced along with information sheets to inform the clients of traditions, specialty ingredients, and cultural importance of the meal. This was well received by the seniors and food service has continued to provide information sheets for other meals, health items to notice on the menu, or about a holiday meal.

Program Opportunities

☞ Food Service is fully staffed.