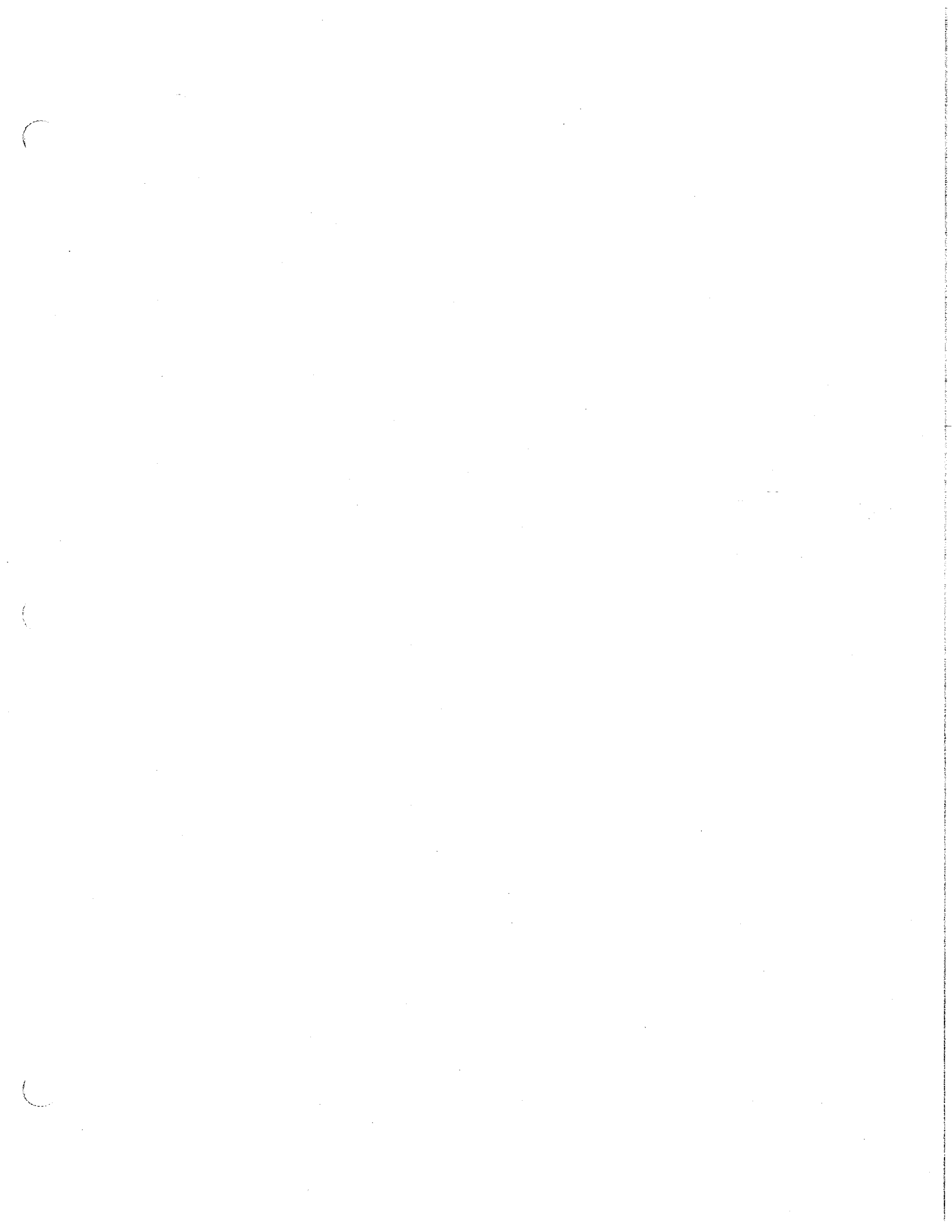


Senior Services

- Food Services/Senior Nutrition
- Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center
- Foster Grandparent Program

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SENIOR NUTRITION

March: 7,206 Meals served to congregate senior sites.

➤ \$12,369.66 total senior contributions, average of \$1.72 per diner.

244 Meals served to Salvation Army seniors. (Invoiced \$1,690.52)

HEAD START / SALVATION ARMY KIDS

March: Head Start Breakfast: 10,392 Salvation Army Kids: 1,260 (Invoiced \$6,251.97)

Head Start Lunch: 10,800

Head Start Snack: 10,800

Early Head start (Breakfast/Lunch/Snack): 1,788/ 1,788/ 1,788

Food Service Program Updates March

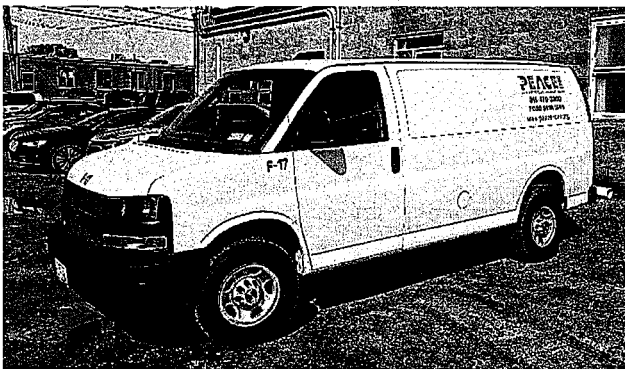
☞ New Food Service vehicle, F-17, was delivered.

☞ Thursday March 5th, the North Syracuse location resumed monthly service of lunch.

☞ On St. Patrick's Day 571 senior meals were sent to our dining sites.

Program Opportunities

Food Service has one opening for a COOK position.



Eastwood Community Center Board Report April 2026

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 77 registered seniors at month-end March

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.
- The monthly breakfast club meet-up was held at Flaming Grill on 3/26/26
- Oscar Vergara is teaching conversational Spanish to the seniors on a weekly basis. There are 6 seniors in attendance.
- There were several donation pick-ups this month.
- The Westcott Neighborhood Advisor is working closely with one of our seniors on his Medicaid disenrollment and applications for senior housing.
- Several seniors are in the hospital with varying medical issues from falls or illnesses. Staff follows through regularly with them and their families.

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.



Foster Grandparent Program Board Report March 2026 Recap



FGP Updates

Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment

- 54 enrolled

FGP Activities

In-Service

- March 11 - 23 FGs
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Workplace Harassment Prevention and Awareness

- ✓ Mandy King, Human Resources Director, PEACE, Inc.
Policies and procedures relating to New York State Rules and Regulations covering sexual harassment in the workplace. Best practices for volunteers.

Benefits of Arts Education on Children

- ✓ Jenn Gaffney, FGP Program Manager
Arts educations: develops social-emotional & interpersonal skills, reduces stress, enriches experiences, handles constructive criticism, improves focus and bolsters academic achievements.

Family Picture Project – Turning the Lens Collective

- ✓ Creating photo-documentation of Black Community in Syracuse. Collecting family history, stories and photos from our foster grandparents. @ New York Heritage Digital Collection - a portal for learning about people, places and events

FGP Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

- ✓ May 13 @ The Collegian Hotel – 1060 E. Genesee St. 12 noon
Honoring all foster grandparents for dedication and hard-work over the past year.
Special recognition to:
 - 10 Years
 - Nidia Ceballos – Seymour Dual Language Academy
 - Ellie Hughes – Huntington Elementary School
 - Steven Hydleberg – Merrick Head Start
 - Willie Reeves Jr. – Ed Smith Elementary School

Upcoming Events

- April 15 & 16
- May 13 – Volunteer Recognition Luncheon