

Senior Services

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

08-2021



Eastwood Community Center Board Report August 2020

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 102 active seniors at month-end June
- 0 new seniors enrolled in August

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- The Building is cleaned and ready to go for reopening when approval is given by the Governours office.
- ECC's Food Insecurity Project (DSRIP) – is concluded as of August 31. Thirteen seniors benefited from this program.
- ECC submitted its reopening plan to Onondaga County for "To-go" Meals We are awaiting a date for inspection and approval to serve the meals.
- Doing Good is partnering with PEACE, Inc. through the CARES Act to provide new clothing, shoes, toys, etc. for our families. A shipment of new women's clothes and mixed POLO clothing was recently delivered. Items were processed and will be given out in September.

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

- 6 Seniors are enrolled In the FRC Food Box Program
- Over 270 phone calls are made weekly to seniors to check in on them and address any needs they have.

Success Story:

Earle Lewis, one of our longstanding volunteers and senior program participants decided to sell his house and move to New Mexico to live with his son. Earle participated in many activities at he center and was instrumental in helping ECC for many years with the donation program. Especially during ARRA. This s is a very positive step for Earle in that he will be able to maintain his independence and be with family during this time. We are proud of Earle and all of his accomplishment and wished him well.

Donation Program:

- Rite Aid & McLane donates product

Foster Grandparent Program Board Report September 2021

Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment:

- 93 enrolled
- 2 FGs to be dropped soon
- 4 inactive not receiving temporary stipend pay

FGP Activities:

8/5/21 – Movie Day

- Love Them First: Lessons from Lucy Lane Elementary School (documentary) = 37 FGs

8/12/21 – Movie Day

- Wonder = 31 FGs

8/17/21 - Game Day

Teambuilding – Uno, Pictionary, Cornhole, Wii, etc. = 16 FGs

Back to School Meetings & FGP Business

8/23 ~ 12 FGs	}	<u>Updating Paperwork</u>
8/24 ~ 19 FGs		Photo Release updates
8/25 ~ 19 FGs		Confidentiality Policy
8/26 ~ 9 FGs		Release of Confidential Information
9/9 ~ 14 FGs		Medication Forms
		Emergency Contact information
		Participant Survey
		Income Review

Reminders

- COVID-19 – policies and procedures
- Discussion with primary dr. re: returning to school during pandemic
- How Pandemic affected children
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https://www.ted.com/talks/olympia_della_flora_creative_ways_to_get_kids_to_thrive_in_school

- Guest speakers:
 - Eva Williams – Principal @ VanDuyn Elementary
 - Kim Coyne & Dawn Kivlehan – Principal and Vice Principal at Franklin Elementary

Return to Service – In-person & on-site

- Head Start/Early Head Start received approval for foster grandparents to return to sites in Sept.
- Salvation Army Cab Horse Commons Day Care Center is allowing FGs to return to site in Sept.
- Awaiting word from Syracuse City School District if FGs allowed to return to schools in Sept.

Temporary Stipend Pay Allowance

9/8/21 allowed to restart temporary stipend pay allowance for those FGs who previously received temporary stipend pay during school year 2020-2021. Per federal guidance, can only continue TPA through approved date of 9/30/2021.



Foster Grandparent Program Board Report September 2021

FGP Annual Program Progress Report – 7/1/2020-6/30/2021:

Comments from our AmeriCorps Seniors-Portfolio Manager :

Hello Beth, thank you for taking the time to accurately complete the progress report. I particularly loved reading about your FGP In-Service On the Go program (what a great way to keep volunteer active, safe, and connected), the steps you've taken to train and "re-activate" fully vaccinated volunteers (of which 92% are vaccinated - incredible!) for return to in person volunteering, and the stats and impact of your Pen Pal program. The results from your volunteer survey were also interesting to read, and it is great that you are regularly involving them in how you inform and organize your program. It is clear that Peace Inc. runs an efficient and effective FGP program. Please note that a status of "Needs Work" simply indicates that some actual outputs or outcomes are not greater than 0 and that your unduplicated volunteer counts are not yet at 100%. Know that this status does not discount your hard work and all you have accomplished over this last year, especially during pandemic. I look forward to working with you and please let me know how I can best support and provide additional T/TA as we look to the year ahead.

Food Services Board Report September 2021

Food Services Meals Served: August

Head Start Meals:

- 0 Breakfast
- 0 Lunches
- 0 Snacks

Senior Nutrition Meals: 4,670

Special Function Meals Delivered:

- 0 Breakfast
- 0 Lunch
- 0 Snack

Senior Nutrition Contribution:

- Net contribution: \$5,886
- Average Meal Contribution: \$1.26

Upcoming Events:

- Head Start resumes on September 13th.

Program Opportunities:

- We are continuing to reach out to congregate sites in regards to re-opening. 3 sites are on hold for operational reasons and 3 sites are on hold because we need Site Managers to run the meal service.
- We have an opening for a Kitchen Worker / Driver and a Utility person.

Success Story:

- We successfully have re-opened 16 congregate sites. There are 2 sites scheduled to re-open in September and October.

SENIOR SERVICES: Neighborhood Advisor Program & EISEP Board Report August 2021

EISEP – Jessica Brown, Case Manager

Client Activity:

- 54 Active Clients
- 2 new clients
- 3 clients discharged
- 13 home visits** (only visiting homes of fully vaccinated clients)
- 76.50 units of service

Program Issues:

Some aide services are limited or not available because contracted vendors do not have available home aides to cover needs of approved clients. Vendors are requiring staff to be fully vaccinated which is leading to loss of employees with Nascentia, Touching Hearts, Caregivers, etc. Aides most often provide personal care, light housekeeping, laundry, food prep, and respite companionship.

Neighborhood Advisor Program

- **Position currently open.**
- **Exploring potential to make position part-time**
- **Current coverage provided by staff of CSFRC and Beth O'Hara**

Client Activity:

- 10 units of service
- 2 clients served