

Wayne Partnership Update

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The first Partnership meeting of 2024 took place on January 10 via Zoom. We revealed **our new website**. It was an enormous undertaking, and we may have broken many parts. Please bear with us as we continue to repair and repopulate the site. If you find errors, **please let us know**.

We discussed new resource guides curated by the **Wayne Behavioral Health Network**. Continue reading this newsletter for details.

The main portion of the meeting was a presentation by **Together Now** and **2-1-1** who also

discussed finding resources in Wayne County, particularly with the **My Wayfinder** tool. The meeting ended with breakout rooms in which attendees could discuss issues specific to their agencies.

Meeting minutes, slide decks used, and a recording of the main meeting **can be found here**.

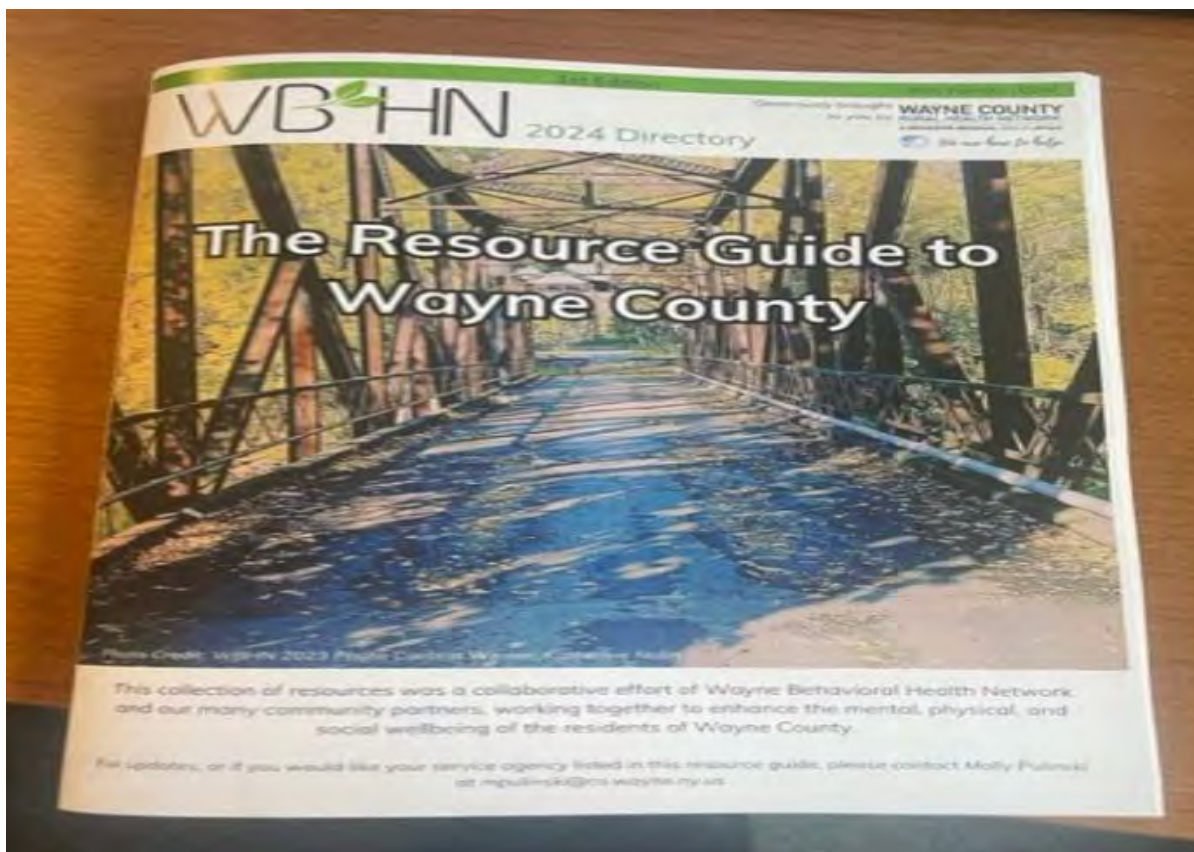


A Healthier Future Begins with Children

Summer EBT is based on USDA's Summer EBT for Children demonstration projects and Pandemic EBT, which have been proven to reduce child hunger and improve diet quality.

Summer EBT benefits will come in the form of pre-loaded cards that families can use to purchase groceries. Beginning in summer 2024, families will receive \$40 per eligible child, per month. These benefits work together with other available FNS nutrition assistance programs, such as summer meal sites, SNAP, and WIC, to help ensure kids have consistent access to critical nutrition when school is out.

For more information about the traditional Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) visit the **SFSP program page**.



The **Wayne Behavioral Health Network** has curated a collection of resources available to the public in Wayne County. Resources include healthcare, basic needs, libraries, law enforcement, and more. The guide is available online for free. [Click here](#), or on the image above, to view or download and print it. A limited number of print copies are available. Contact **Molly Pulinski** for more details.



The **Wayne Behavioral Health Network** offers **System of Care**: an integrated network of county agencies working together to improve coordination of services and initiatives with the goal of keeping youth out of placements such as a residential facility or hospital. Visit this link to view the calendar of events: <https://web.co.wayne.ny.us/726/System-of-Care>

If your agency is aware of a support group, an event, or a resource opportunity, please reach out to **Suzanne Catholdi** to have your item included in **System of Care**.

If your agency would like to share an update, promote an upcoming event, or brag about one of your stellar employees, please visit www.waynepartnership.org/newsletter and tell us about it!



Finger Lakes Area
Counseling & Recovery Agency
FLACRA™

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed for our winter Point in Time (PIT)

January 31st (evening hours)

We will outreach and interview homeless, unsheltered individuals in Ontario, Seneca, Yates, and Wayne Counties

**For more information contact: Jessica McCall
(315) 719-7309 or jessica.mccall@flacra.org**

Looking to support your local community?

Annually, communities across the country conduct comprehensive counts of the local homeless population to measure the prevalence of homelessness in each local Continuum of Care. The data collected provides a “snapshot” of the homeless population and demographics. The Count approximates the number of people experiencing homelessness in each community and collects information on individuals and families residing in emergency shelters and transitional housing.

The Point In Time (PIT) event is designed to allow people who are experiencing homelessness to express their specific needs and housing status to a group of staff and volunteers.

We are seeking to connect available volunteers with their local county PIT Lead, who will then guide them in conducting outreach interviews with homeless and unsheltered individuals in Ontario, Seneca, Yates, and Wayne Counties on January 31st.

FLACRA is coordinating these efforts across the region. **Donna Johnson** is leading this project in Wayne County. Please contact her if you are interested in helping with this important data collection.

Volunteers are meeting at **Finger Lakes Community Action** located at 159 Montezuma Street, Lyons at 5:30 on Wednesday, January 31st.

We are hoping for enough volunteers to send out 5-6 teams of 2-3 people each.



We are excited to share that the **3rd Annual Rochester Antiracist Education Conference** registration is OPEN! Our theme is **Joy, Community, Resistance, and Sustainability**. Dr. Bettina Love, Dr. Clint Smith, and Dr. Shaun Nelms will keynote with several breakout sessions led by local equity leaders and educators.

Please share the attached flyers as well as the date (Saturday March 2) and information with your colleagues, friends, and anyone you think might be interested. We'll be posting regular updates on Facebook here <https://www.facebook.com/arcurriculumproject> that you can repost and share.

Please register [HERE](#).



Family Counseling Services of the Finger Lakes offers the following programs and services to support LGBTQ+ individuals. Please share as needed.

For **youth**, we offer **YANA (You Are Not Alone)**, a **virtual support group every Monday from 4-5**. This group is for LGBTQ+ (including questioning) youth from ages 10-18. Staff can contact us directly if they know of youth who would like to join (we would just need a release of information to talk to the youth/family) or the youth (or likely their parents/caregivers) can reach out to us directly. Youth conduct a brief intake with our staff before attending their first group, and then receive the Zoom link for group!

YANA Flyer

For **adults**, we offer **Haven**, which is our **LGBTQ+ support group** for anyone over 18, and the **Trans and Gender Expansive Coalition of the Finger Lakes**, which is a support group for any transgender or gender-questioning folks over 18. **Haven meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 5-6 pm, and Trans and GE meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 6-7 pm**. These two groups are **hybrid** – in person in Geneva or over zoom. We are also planning to start **Square One** soon, a group for parents or loved ones of LGBTQ+ people to ask questions and seek support. We will keep you posted on schedule and topics for this group as we get it up and running. I'll include all the group flyers as attachments – the intake processes for these groups would be the same as YANA.

Haven Flyer

TGECFL Flyer

Square One Flyer

Our advocates are available to meet with any LGBTQ+ individual to provide emotional support and answer questions, to advocate for individuals (for example, to help with DASA reporting in school, provide emotional support around bullying/harassment, or help a transgender person collaborate with their school or workplace to meet their needs), and to connect folks to/help folks navigate additional resources (for example, walking someone through the legal process of changing their name, or helping someone access affirming

therapy). Advocates can meet with parents/caregivers/support people to provide education and resources and to answer questions as well. If you have any questions about what advocates can assist with, please feel free to reach out to us!

The team also offers **Safe Zone trainings**, which are informational workshops around LGBTQ+ issues, terminology, and allyship. The Safe Zone training is pretty thorough and in-depth, but we can also offer shorter or more specifically tailored trainings. Our coordinator Emily is the main contact person for setting up trainings. In addition, if anyone has questions about anything LGBTQ+ related, we're always happy to answer questions, brainstorm, troubleshoot, or whatever you need!

If an organization or individual is interested in learning more about services or to get connected, they can **[email us here](#)** or call our main office at 315-789-2613.

Attention: Contractors/Employees, Landlords,
Property Owners/Managers

Lead Renovator Training Opportunity in Wayne County
Earn your EPA RRP-Initial Certification! FREE!

The Lead Renovator program is 8 contact hours with classroom and hands-on activities and an examination. Typical trainees are homeowners/property owners/managers, building trades, code enforcement staff, ~~contractors~~ and their employees, or those who would like to use the certification to obtain work in the construction industry. These trainings are difficult to come by without traveling quite a distance to Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Albany, or NYC and are being offered at no cost right here in Wayne County!

Tuesday, February 20th, 2024 OR MARCH 4TH, 2024
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

WAYNE COUNTY FIRE TRAINING BUILDING
1525 Nye Rd, Lyons, NY 14489



Registration Required - Limited slots available
Call Now! These classes will fill up fast!

For more information or to register for this FREE training call Public Health at: (315) 946-5749 or email: CGedney@co.wayne.ny.us



About the Instructor: Art C. Wheaton is the Director of Labor Studies, Cornell University ILR School Buffalo Co-Lab. Art is a member of the Buffalo/Erie County Lead Task Force. Art has taught EPA RRP initial and renewal classes for more than 12 years.

* Typically, this training could cost \$300 or more.
* Bring your lunch for a 1-hour lunch break. * Light refreshments provided!

This program is sponsored by Cornell University and hosted by the:
Wayne County Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention Program



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Contact **Chris Gedney** for more information.

Community Lunch

Feb. 10, 2024
1:00–3:00PM
Lyons Community Center

Join **Finger Lakes Community Action** for a community meal and informational session!

9 Manhattan St.
Lyons, NY 14489



Our **CORE Adult Empowerment Peer Support Services** are available to many community members with a mental health and/or substance abuse diagnosis.

This **FREE** event will feature a complimentary meal, some raffle prizes, and information about our **Adult Peer Support Services**.



First 20 registrants will receive a FREE gift card!



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Questions?
Call: 315-333-4155 x3312

Register using the QR code or call the number



Register by: 1/27/2024

*Childcare will not be provided.



Finger Lakes Community Action invites you to the Lyons Community Center on Saturday, February 10, from 1 - 3 pm for lunch and an information session on their **CORE Adult Empowerment Peer Support Services**. See the flyer above for registration and additional details.



ASIST

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training

SAVE THE DATE!

There is an upcoming ASIST training at Wayne Behavioral Health Network, 1519 Nye Rd., Lyons from 8:30-4:30 on both April 29th-30th.

ASIST is a two-day intensive, interactive, and practice-dominated course designed to help caregivers recognize and review risk, and intervene to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. It is by far the most widely used, acclaimed and researched suicide intervention training workshop in the world. ASIST prepares caregivers of all kinds to provide suicide first aid interventions.

In this workshop you will have an opportunity to explore your experiences with and your attitudes about suicide. You will also have an opportunity to better understand the needs of a person at risk of suicide and learn how to use suicide first-aid to meet those needs.

15 Contact hours are available for SW and LMHC with a payment fee of \$62.24. Feel free to share this training with anyone 18 years old and up.

Registration will be available next month.

The Partnership Is:

Arc Wayne • Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes • Child Care Council, Inc.
 Clyde-Savannah CSD • Common Ground Health • Cornell Cooperative Extension
 Council on Alcoholism and Addictions of the Finger Lakes • Delphi Rise • Evalumetrics Research
 Family Counseling Services of the Finger Lakes • Family Promise of Wayne County
 Fidelis Care • Finger Lakes Community Action • Finger Lakes Community College
 Finger Lakes Community Health • Finger Lakes Community Schools
 Finger Lakes Problem Gambling Resource Center • Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board • FLACRA
 Gananda Schools • Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County • Lyons CSD • Marion CSD
 Mid-West Family and Community Engagement Centers • Newark CSD • Newark-Wayne Hospital
 North Rose-Wolcott CSD • OWWL Library System • Palmyra-Macedon CSD • Person Centered Services
 Real Life Counseling • Red Creek CSD • Salvation Army of Geneva and the Finger Lakes
 Scarlet Thread Ministries • Sodus CSD • Survivor Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes
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