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# The Wayne County Partnership

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## ADULT EMPOWERMENT PEER SUPPORT SERVICES

Community Oriented  
Recovery & Empowerment



Adult Peer Support encompasses a range of activities and interactions between peer who have shared similar experiences of being diagnosed with substance abuse/mental health conditions.

Peer Support Specialists are dedicated to delivering a service with acceptance, understanding and validation. Peer Support Specialists compliment behavioral and mental health professionals. Support is demonstrated on a one-to-one basis which includes:

Emotional

Informational (referrals, community resources)

Instrumental (link to housing and employment)

Affiliation Support (community, family, workplace, activities etc....)

**[Click here](#)** to download the program brochure.

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Become a Medical Foster Home **caregiver.**

You can help **Veterans.**

 Learn more about VA's Medical Foster Homes by simply scanning the QR code with your smartphone.

  U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Dear Community Partner,

The VA Finger Lakes Healthcare System announces a new VA program called Medical Foster Home (MFH).

The Medical Foster Home program is designed to provide an alternative housing choice to Veterans who are no longer able to live independently due to chronic medical conditions or disabilities. At present, we are looking for reliable community caregivers whom the VA will recognize and approve their personal home for the potential placement of 1-3 Veterans and their long-term care needs. Caregivers enter into a compensation agreement with the Veteran to determine the monthly cost of care which is based on a Veteran's level of care needs. VA Medical Centers across the country are partnering with their community-based organizations to help spread the news of this innovative program. Many of our community partners are communicating this information through their organization's announcements, newsletters, bulletins, and through their social media sites. Please consider sharing the attached announcement with your affiliates and any other member associates you believe would like to know more about the Medical Foster Home program.

Additional information about the Medical Foster Home program can be found at the VA National Website: [https://www.va.gov/Geriatrics/pages/Medical\\_Foster\\_Homes.asp](https://www.va.gov/Geriatrics/pages/Medical_Foster_Homes.asp)

We are also hosting an Eventbrite presentation to provide more education and information about this program, we would be very appreciative if you could help share this information below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/va-medical-foster-home-information-session-tickets-925866420387?aff=eivtefrnd&utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=listing>

VA is seeking connection to potential caregivers in the area who may be interested in

partnering with VA to become Medical Foster Homes. The VA Medical Foster Home program is designed to provide Veterans an alternative choice to nursing home care. Please contact Shannon Cuthbertson, LCSW at 585-393-8090 for additional inquiry.

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**July 14 - 19, 2024**

**WHERE:**  
University of Maryland,  
Baltimore County



Learn more and apply at  
[www.Constellation.com/YES](http://www.Constellation.com/YES)  
by April 28<sup>th</sup>.  
All applications will  
be reviewed after the  
application deadline.

This is an annual summit, that is sponsored by Constellation. Free for accepted students in 10th or 11th grade. (Class of 2025 or 2026) Includes a free laptop and free Constellation T-shirts for the week! Once accepted, Constellation will coordinate and PAY FOR ALL TRAVEL COSTS. There is no cost at all for the student or their family. An excellent opportunity for students with interest in Science, Engineering, Climate, and/or Energy. They will meet other students from around the country, live in the college dorm for the week, and work with their peers and Energy Experts currently working in the field.

If interested, please contact **June Muto**.

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WAYNE COUNTY PUBLIC  
HEALTH WOULD LIKE TO  
REMIND RESIDENTS

# SUMMER IS HERE!

BUT IT IS NEVER TOO SOON TO  
PREPARE TO SEND YOUR CHILDREN  
BACK TO SCHOOL. SCHEDULE AN  
APPOINTMENT FOR BACK TO  
SCHOOL IMMUNIZATIONS TODAY...

IMMUNIZATIONS  
CLINICS ARE THE  
3RD WEDNESDAY OF  
THE MONTH!

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED  
PLEASE CALL  
315-946-5749!



It's never too early to get your children vaccinated for school!

#### Upcoming Partnership Meetings:

October 9, 2024

January 8, 2025

March 12, 2025

May 14, 2025

August 6, 2025

October 8, 2025

Check <https://www.waynepartnership.org/calendar> for more dates and upcoming events.

The next Partnership meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at the BOCES Conference Center in Newark. We will meet IN PERSON, from 9 AM until noon.

Since we only hold five meetings each year, every one of them is important to attend. We discuss important developments and trends and get an opportunity to network and share ideas that strengthen all of our efforts to help the people we serve.

Please visit <https://www.waynepartnership.org/event-details/wayne-county-partnership-meeting-august> and let us know that you're coming. Those who RSVP to the meeting will receive the agenda before the meeting and will be able to sign in effortlessly.

At this meeting, we plan on providing updates on

- The Youth Leadership Forum
- 8th Grade Career Carnival
- EmpowerMe
- The new Partnership Community Calendar
- MyWayfinder
- Food Security Coalition
- Workgroup Updates
  - Community Schools
  - Early Childhood
  - Family & Security
  - Wayne Wellness
- Mentoring
  - Wayne Emerging Leaders
  - NYS Mentoring
  - More!

We will give some thought to the near future surrounding topics of:

- Resource maps and referrals
- Intergenerational solutions
- Housing solutions
- Transportation solutions
- Basic Needs/Food Security
- Powering up early childhood
- Vaping Prevention
- Chronic Absenteeism
- Anything else on your mind

After a brief break, we will gather in small groups to discuss the urgencies identified above and brainstorm existing solutions or future solutions that we can give to our Workgroups to

tackle.

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# Virtual Interactive Mentoring Workshop

August 26, from 9am-11am

- You will learn about the various types of mentoring and the benefits associated with each.
- We will explore what it means to have a mentoring mindset and go through the process of creating a mentoring program in your school!
- This includes but is not limited to
  - recruiting mentors
  - selecting mentees
  - the role of a program coordinator
  - and planning for evaluation in the designing stages of your program.
- There will be workshop time given to begin designing or to fine tune your mentoring program with guidance from our collaborating partners.

Scan to Register



The Center for Great Lakes Literacy is holding a series of educational events about -- and

along -- the Lake Ontario shore this summer. The classes are designed for middle- and high-schoolers. Please [click here](#), or the image above to download the brochure of all the offerings.

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**SAVE**

**WARE  
COMMUNITY  
PICNIC**

**MONDAY  
AUG. 5  
4 - 7 P.M.**

**THE**

**DATE**

 **B. FORMAN  
PARK**

4507 Lake Road  
Williamson, NY 14589

You are invited to the inaugural Wayne County Community Picnic hosted by **WARE** (Wayne Action for Racial Equality).

The picnic is on **Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7 p.m. at B. Forman Park in Williamson.** It will be a fun time to come together and bond over food and fun, while getting to meet other folks that live and/or work in Wayne County.

It is a very informal gathering, and you can either come and enjoy this event in a professional networking sense with a colleague, or you can bring the family and friends and have a great time while on the banks of Lake Ontario. Or both! Either way, we would love to have you be part of this great evening.

**Here is the event page:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/838211008255755?>



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Please RSVP by responding as "going" on the Facebook page.

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# Operation SAVE

## A free training about how to help during a mental health crisis

Join us to learn how to **SAVE** a life:

- Suicide data overview
- Signs of a mental health crisis
- How to use the SAVE model to respond to someone in crisis
- How to reduce risk of suicide
- August 26<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM at Palmyra Library
- September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 PM at Bristol Library (Canandaigua)
- September 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM at Bloomfield Library
- September 9<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM at Livonia Public Library
- September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM at Red Jacket Library (Manchester)
- September 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM at Dundee Library
- September 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM at Naples Public Library
- September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at Victor Farmington Library
- September 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM at Modeste Bedient Memorial Library (Branchport)
- September 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM at Avon Library
- September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM at Ogden Farmers' Library
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12 PM at Newark Library
- September 30<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM at Penn Yan Library



September is suicide prevention month. Please attend one of these local trainings to learn skills that can be life saving for someone struggling with their mental health.

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A Finger Lakes region website  
for FLX Veterans  
& their families

- ★ Events
- ☆ Resources
- ★ Information

**rocveterans.org**



SCAN THIS QR CODE W/ YOUR PHONE'S CAMERA

Visit [www.rocveterans.org](http://www.rocveterans.org) for a calendar of events for Veterans, service members, and their families.

### 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 • Marlon 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  
 United Way of Greater Rochester and the Finger Lakes • Wayne Action for Racial Equality  
 Wayne Behavioral Health Network • Wayne CSD • Wayne County Board of Supervisors  
 Wayne County Dept. of Aging & Youth • Wayne County Dept. of Social Services  
 Wayne County Pre-Trial Services • Wayne County Public Health • Wayne County Rural Health Network  
 Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES • Wayne M.O.S.T. • Williamson CSD • Youth Advocate Program



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