

Agenda  
Human Services Advisory Board  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, September 20, 2022, 6PM  
Via GO TO MEETING

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Chairperson's Remarks
- III. Approval of Minutes from August 16 Regular Meeting
- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Town Charter Revision
- VII. Director's Report
  - A. Personnel Update
  - B. Update on September 21 Community Conversation on Suicide in Clinton
- VIII. Adjourn

Action Items: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Minutes  
Human Services Advisory Board  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 6:00PM  
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Board Members Present: Shelby Auletta, Mark Barillaro, Celeste Calabotta, Brian Corbin, Erin Gaudet, Amanda Stevens

Staff Member Present: David Melillo

Meeting called to order at 6:03PM by E. Gaudet.

Chairperson's Remarks: E. Gaudet welcomed Board members and staff.

Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting July 18, 2022: motioned by S. Auletta, seconded by A. Stevens passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: D. Melillo reported that it is still very early in the fiscal year but budgets are on track.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: Equal medical insurance for full-time grant employees – this is in progress at Town Hall.

Personnel Update: Jill Paglino has filled the Clinician's position and there is currently an ad out to fill her old position of Program Coordinator.

Director's Report: D. Melillo noted J. Paglino's hard work in bringing together and running four concurrent summer programs. Several wrapped up the end of July and the rest will conclude by the end of August.

Suicide Prevention – The presentation is scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM at the library. This event is listed on the website and is being advertised. There was detailed report data and speaker information presented. There were many questions and a lengthy discussion ensued.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by C. Sanzero

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 DATE: 09/16/2022  
 TIME: 09:28:01

TOWN OF CLINTON  
 EXPENDITURE STATUS REPORT

PAGE NUMBER: 1  
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 ACCOUNTING PERIOD: 2/23

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FUND-44 YOUTH/FAMILY FUNDS  
 DEPARTMENT-4419 YOUTH & FAMILY

ACCOUNT	TITLE	BUDGET	PERIOD EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES OUTSTANDING	YEAR TO DATE EXP	AVAILABLE BALANCE	YTD/ BUD
58919	PARTNERS IN COMMUNIT	3,199.33	.00	.00	.00	3,199.33	.00
58920	PEER PROGRAMS	63,751.18	706.42	.00	1,208.84	62,542.34	1.90
58945	OPTOID MINI GRANT	8,485.00	.00	.00	.00	8,485.00	.00
58949	WRAPAROUND GRANT EX	522.00	.00	.00	.00	522.00	.00
58975	FY22 DCF YSB ENCHAN	.00	-3,443.46	.00	.00	.00	.00
58976	FY22 LPC GRANT EXPS	.00	-5,347.80	.00	.00	.00	.00
58977	FY22 SAMHSA GRANT E	81,492.36	17,844.83	750.00	33,482.57	47,259.79	42.01
58983	FY23 DCF YSB GRANT	29,783.00	5,487.00	.00	5,487.00	24,296.00	18.42
58984	FY23 LPC GRANT EXPS	7,102.79	.00	.00	.00	7,102.79	.00
	TOTAL YOUTH & FAMILY	194,335.66	15,246.99	750.00	40,178.41	153,407.25	21.06
	TOTAL YOUTH/FAMILY FUNDS	194,335.66	15,246.99	750.00	40,178.41	153,407.25	21.06
	TOTAL REPORT	194,335.66	15,246.99	750.00	40,178.41	153,407.25	21.06

SUNGARD K12  
 DATE: 09/16/2022  
 TIME: 09:23:59

TOWN OF CLINTON  
 EXPENDITURE STATUS REPORT

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SELECTION CRITERIA: orgn='01'  
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FUND-01 TOWN GENERAL FUND  
 DEPARTMENT-4419 YOUTH & FAMILY

ACCOUNT	TITLE	BUDGET	PERIOD EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES OUTSTANDING	YEAR TO DATE EXP	AVAILABLE BALANCE	YTD/ BUD
51310	SALARIES-FULL TIME	259,644.00	14,905.29	.00	29,828.33	229,815.67	11.49
51320	SALARIES - PART TIM	20,242.00	1,070.45	.00	1,925.30	18,316.70	9.51
52900	TRAVEL EXPENSE	850.00	.00	.00	.00	850.00	.00
53200	PROFESSIONAL SERVIC	2,250.00	187.50	.00	187.50	2,062.50	8.33
53220	IN SERVICE	1,000.00	.00	.00	.00	1,000.00	.00
56100	GENERAL SUPPLIES	3,200.00	205.66	.00	315.61	2,884.39	9.85
56900	OTHER SUPPLIES	3,300.00	145.44	.00	367.76	2,932.24	11.14
58100	DUES & FEES	1,430.00	195.00	.00	769.75	660.25	53.83
58800	PROGRAM COST	2,500.00	.00	.00	.00	2,500.00	.00
58900	OTHER ITEMS	10,000.00	3,050.00	.00	3,050.00	6,950.00	30.50
	TOTAL YOUTH & FAMILY	304,416.00	19,759.34	.00	36,444.25	267,971.75	11.97
	TOTAL TOWN GENERAL FUND	304,416.00	19,759.34	.00	36,444.25	267,971.75	11.97
	TOTAL REPORT	304,416.00	19,759.34	.00	36,444.25	267,971.75	11.97

## David Melillo

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**From:** Donielle Didiano <ddidiano@clintonpublic.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 30, 2022 9:48 AM  
**To:** Erin Gaudet  
**Cc:** David Melillo; Maryann O'Donnell; Kristin LaLima  
**Subject:** Re: School District Liaison

Good Morning -

I thank you for your kind responses. Please know that I have directly spoken with Maryann regarding this matter and will help to try to find my replacement. Wishing you a wonderful year.

Truly,  
Donielle

On Thu, Aug 25, 2022 at 12:17 PM Erin Gaudet <eringaudet@yahoo.com> wrote:

I am sorry to hear Donielle! You will be missed. We have a few new board members and lots of energy to make a difference. Do you have any recommendations for a replacement? Our bylaws state we must have a school representative.

Thank you for all your help and guidance in the last year.

Erin Gaudet  
HSAB Chair

On Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 10:49:02 AM EDT, Donielle Didiano <ddidiano@clintonpublic.net> wrote:

Good Morning -

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to you today to let you know that I will not be able to continue as the district liaison on the board this year.

I have personally and professionally taken on other duties and responsibilities. I thank you for the time that I have had in serving within this role. Please know that I am obviously a continued support that you can reach out to.

Sincerely,  
Donielle

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Donielle Didiano, LCSW

## David Melillo

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**From:** Human Services  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 23, 2022 1:08 PM  
**To:** David Melillo; Ben Eaves  
**Subject:** FW: Sept 21 suicide discussion  
**Attachments:** BeSmart\_Social\_020119A\_BeSmart-Teal (1).png; Be SMART Facts and Resources on Child Firearm Suicide\_8.2022.pdf

Just got this.

**From:** Joanna Taczanowsky <jtaczanowsky@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 23, 2022 12:56 PM  
**To:** Human Services <humanservices@clintonct.org>  
**Subject:** Sept 21 suicide discussion

Good afternoon,

I'm originally from Clinton and my parents still live there so I am in touch a bit with library events. I noticed the discussion on suicide on September 21 and I am the state lead for the Be SMART campaign, the educational arm of Everytown for Gun Violence (like Moms Demand Action) which focuses on awareness of safe storage (we gave out nearly 100 gun locks last weekend at two separate events, and I gave out 50+ during covid in the north of the state where I live now), prevention of unintentional shootings by children and teens and suicide prevention (emphasizing red flag laws and the importance of the adult role in suicide prevention of teens). I have resources (buttons/pens/pamphlets) that emphasise the message if you would be interested in having them available at your event. I'll attach a few that carry the general message and information.

More info can be found at:  
<https://besmartforkids.org/>

Best--

**Joanna Taczanowsky**  
she/her

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT- August 2022**

- Open Mic: Did not meet in August
- Grandparents Group: Currently on hiatus
- QPR: Joe Carapella and Ben Eaves were trained by Tom Steen August 5th and will co-facilitate their first trainings this fall. Four QPR trainings have been scheduled in September and October, including one at Morgan.
- Mother/Daughter Night Out: Trainings will run in October and April
- Home Alone: Trainings will run in October and April

Summer Partners began July 11<sup>th</sup> with 14 mentors and 13 mentees registered and concluded August 29<sup>th</sup> with a family picnic at the Town Beach. Two Joel mentees dropped out of the program, so not every Morgan mentor had a match. Still, some important connections were formed and everyone had a great time.

Enrichment ended on August 5<sup>th</sup> with Music Day. Campers wrote and performed a song called "Enrichment Camp" with three local musicians.

Boys Camp ran the second week of August with 9 boys attending and Ben Eaves facilitating.

### **Partners in Community**

- Morgan REACT: 5 existing participants, 5 attendees this month, FY total 5
- Eliot REACT: 0 existing participants, 0 attendees this month, 0 FY total
- PiC: 0 new participant, 12 existing participants, 12 attendees this month, FY total 12
- Peer Advocates: 1 involved with Boys Camp 8/9 & 8/10. 4 involved in Planning for Training 8/10, 8/15, 8/16. 3 involved in PiC Meeting 8/22. 4 involved in Training/Capacity Building 8/23. Presented to staff in WA – across 44 school districts about youth empowerment and youth-led campaigns, initiatives and coalition work.

### **Juvenile Review Board**

- Tracking two JRB cases, both teenage males charged with similar offenses.

### **Police Youth Group**

- 35 existing participants, 35 attendees this month, FY total 35

### **Other**

- Met with Christina Acampora on 8/9 to discuss senior programming work that was previously done in our department.

### **Mental Health Task Force**

- No new participants, FY total 0

## **Clinical Services**

- 13 previously, 1 opened, 1 closed. August caseload: 13.
- Short term responses (non-cases): 0 previously, 0 new = 0 FY total.

## **Social Services: August 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022**

Total Assistance: \$7,331.25

Assistance Records: 214

Children (0-17) Assisted: 0

Adults (18-59) Assisted: 19

Seniors (60+) Assisted: 21

Other (unknown) Assisted: 43

Total Cases Assisted: 83

Children (0-17) in Assisted Households: 56

Adults (18-59) in Assisted Households: 43

Seniors (60+) in Assisted Households: 26

Other (unknown) in Assisted Households: 83

Total Households Assisted: 79 households with a total of 208 members

Renter's Tax Relief Program continues through 10/1. 45 applications accepted.

CT Food Bank Mobile Pantry: Drive-thru distribution August 5<sup>th</sup> with approximately 56 households served. Upcoming distribution September 5<sup>th</sup>.

SNAP: The Connecticut Department of Social Services delivered over \$33.8 million in SNAP benefits to over 214, 831 Connecticut households on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Operation Fuel: Began Monday, July 11, 2022. Operation Fuel will administer an energy assistance program for clients who need aid with meeting their home energy needs (electricity, gas and deliverable fuels). This program will be for households living up to 75% of state median income. There will not be an assets test. The maximum grant amount will be up to \$500.

Back-to-School Program: Assisted 31 families, 66 total children with backpacks, school supplies, snack bags in limited quantity, \$30 gift card to defray cost of new shoes, along with \$10 gift card to Walgreens/CVS for misc. school needs. Also provided new coats to children, as well as new pajamas if the correct size was available. Families signed up for Warm the Children program at time supplies were picked up.