

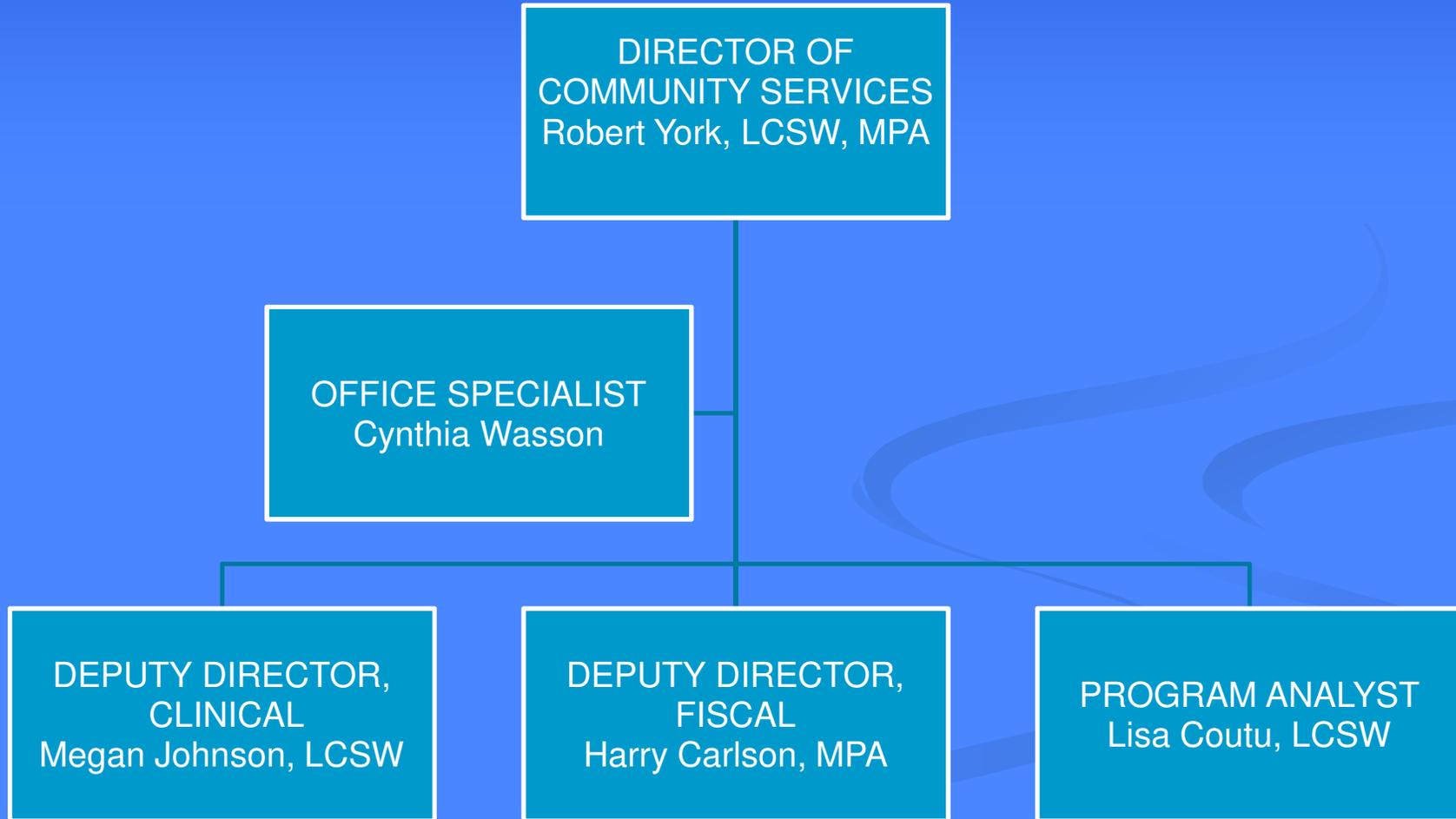
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OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES



State Agencies

- NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH)
- NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS)
- NYS Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 directs local governments to either “provide or arrange for” “preventive, rehabilitation, and treatment services” for the “mentally ill, the developmentally disabled, and those suffering from the disease of alcoholism and substance abuse”.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires the establishment by the county of a Local Governmental Unit (LGU), given authority in accordance with Article 41 to provide or arrange for local services.
- The Office of Community Services is the local governmental unit (LGU) given this authority by both Warren and Washington Counties.

Shared Local Governmental Unit

- Warren and Washington Counties have executed an Intermunicipal Agreement which details the sharing of one administrative office, the Office of Community Services for Warren and Washington Counties.
- Administrative costs are totaled and split evenly between the two counties, through an annual chargeback to Washington County.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires each local governmental unit (LGU) to have a Community Services Board (CSB).
- In counties with a population less than 100,000, the CSB can consist of either 9 or 15 members. Our counties each have nine-member boards.
- CSB members serve four year terms; officers are elected for two-year terms.

Warren County Community Services Board

- Kimberly Brayton, JD, Ph.D., Chair – Psychologist, Private Practice
- Joan Grishkot, Vice-Chair – Former Director, Warren County Public Health
- Barbara Boggia – Retired School Psychologist
- Lu Thomas-Cosgrove, LCSW – Clinical Social Worker, Private Practice
- James P. Dexter – District Superintendent of Schools, WSWHE BOCES
- Vacant – (formerly Barbara Green – Asst. Dean for Student Success, SUNY Adirondack)
- Michael Homenick, Ph.D. – Psychologist, Private Practice
- Maureen Schmidt – Commissioner of Social Services
- Vacant – (formerly Peter Fisher, Peer Representative)

Washington County Community Services Board

- Rick Demers, Chair - Director, Employee Assistance Program
- Christina Bessen, Vice-Chair – Parent, Probation Officer
- Michelle Burke – Health Coordinator, Hudson Falls School District
- Tammy DeLorme - Commissioner, Social Services
- Kathy Flanagan – Retired, Washington County Head Start
- Kris Freitag - Parent
- Samuel Hall – Director, Washington County Veterans Services
- Patricia Hunt – Director, Washington County Public Health
- Robert Miles – Retired, Glens Falls National Bank

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- MHL Article 41 requires the direction and administration, by each LGU, of an annual local comprehensive planning process.
- This is accomplished through a subcommittee structure.
- The Local Services Plan for Warren and Washington Counties is posted on the County websites.

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

MHL Article 41 requires each Community Services Board (CSB) to have separate subcommittees for:

- Mental Health
- Alcoholism and Substance Abuse
- Developmental Disabilities

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

The CSB Subcommittees provide venues for

- Service system planning
- Implementation/coordination of local services
- Provider collaboration
- Information sharing
- Multi-stakeholder problem solving

New York State Mental Hygiene Law

- Subcommittees are comprised of CSB members, LGU staff, service providers, service recipients, and family members.
- Subcommittees meet at least quarterly throughout the year.

Contract Agencies - Warren

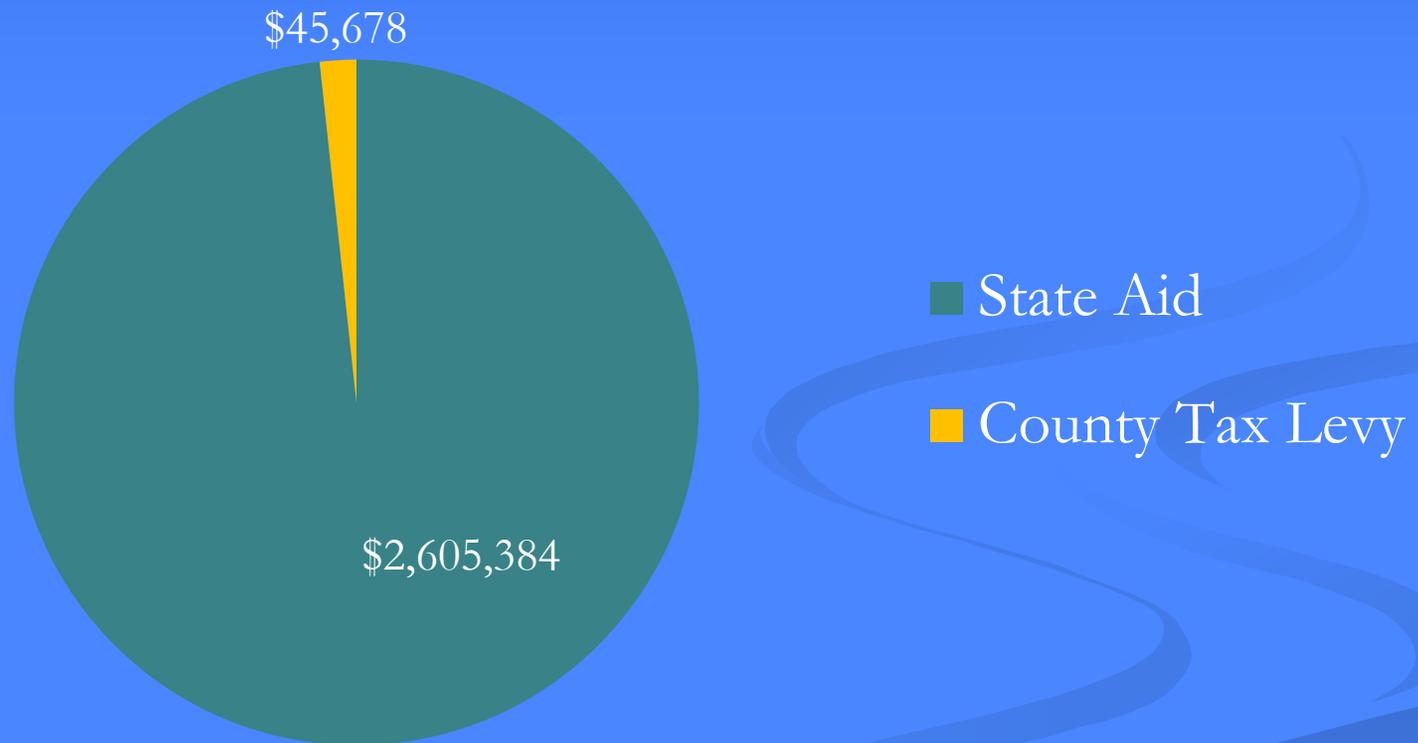
Agency	2015 Contract
Behavioral Health Services (Glens Falls Hospital)	\$587,150
Community, Work and Independence, Inc. (CWI)	\$51,395
Council for Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse	\$221,642
Liberty House Foundation, Inc.	\$251,381
Northern Rivers Family Services (Parsons)	\$325,624
Northeast Parent and Child	\$26,104
PEOPLE, Inc.	\$138,407
Wait House	\$19,260
Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health	\$841,062
820 River St.	\$189,037
Total	\$2,651,062

Contract Agencies

- Behavioral Health Services (Glens Falls Hospital) www.glensfallshospital.org/Behavioral.htm
- Community, Work and Independence www.cwinc.org
- Council for Prevention www.councilforprevention.org
- Liberty House Foundation www.libertyhousefoundation.net
- Northern Rivers Family Services/Parsons Child and Family Center www.northernrivers.org
- Northeast Parent and Child Society www.neparentchild.org
- PEOPLE, Inc. www.projectstoempower.org
- Wait House Homeless Youth Shelter www.hycwaithouse.org
- Warren-Washington Association for Mental Health www.wwamh.org
- 820 River St., Inc. www.pyhit.com

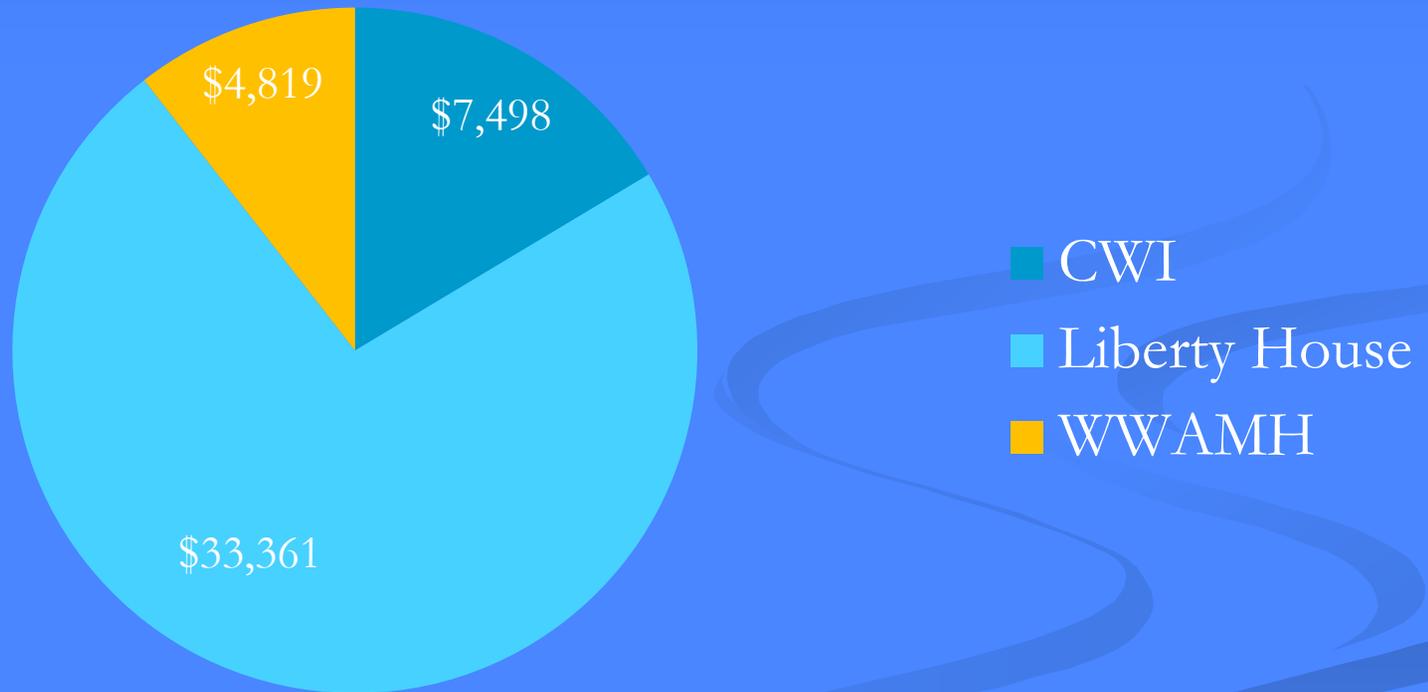
State Aid vs. County Tax Levy - Warren

Contract Funding



County Funding by Agency - Warren

County Funding (\$45,678)



Some Additional Local Governmental Unit Responsibilities...

- Fiscal Management/Reporting
- Single Point of Access (SPOA) Process
- Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Program
- Certificate of Need/Expansion of Service Approvals
- Overall System Coordination
- Emergency Removals (MHL 9.45 “pick-up orders”)
- Coordinate County Disaster Mental Health Team
- SAFE Act Reporting
- Active involvement with various regional healthcare planning structures and initiatives to lower costs, improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the health and behavioral health care systems and to improve outcomes for the residents of our Counties

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