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WARREN/HAMILTON COUNTIES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: February 18, 2021

LOCATION: VIRTUAL

ATTENDANCE: Rose Ann O'Rourke, Sharon Grisenwaite, Roy Grisenwaite, Ginelle Jones, Ed Capazzuti,
Kathleen Hutchins, Christian Hanchett, Denise DiResta, Tammie DeLorenzo, Deanna Park

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 11:00AM

MINUTES: Accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Girl Scout – Valentine's Day Cards & Pen Pal Program
2. Special Needs Registry – Warren County will be using National Grid, instead of their own.
3. SNAP Machine – Completed Application Process
4. Seniors of the Year - Done

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Senior of the Year – Due February 26th
2. FFCRA/CARES Stimulus Funding
CMC2- \$17,808; HDC2-\$38,914; FCC3-\$31,761; SSSC3-\$49,100; \$116,743 TOTAL = \$254,326
3. 20% Cut to State Reimbursement Effective 11/1/2020
4. 2021 Budget Reductions
 - i. Home Delivered Meals on M-W-F through 2021; Approximate Savings of \$18,000
 - ii. Changes to Office Staffing; Approximate Savings of \$53,394
 1. Deleted NY Connects Position
 2. Created PT Aging Services Assistant Position
 - iii. Chestertown Meal Site Relocation; Approximate Savings of \$24,816
 - iv. Delete Food Service Helper #3, Cedars Meal Site; Approximate Savings of \$36,643
5. Laptop Borrower Program – WHCOFA received 10 laptops for CDPHP that seniors of Warren and Hamilton County can borrow.
6. Companion Animals/Animatronic Pets – WHCOFA has three dogs and three cats that we can give to seniors who would benefit from them. There is no cost and they do not have to be given back. These companion animals help with social isolation, companionship, etc.
7. COVID Vaccine Wait List & Partnership with Public Health
8. Masks – Still have available for distribution
9. Congregate Sites – Evaluate re-opening in late spring, early summer
10. Medical Transportation Program – On Hold, will evaluate re-opening in late spring, early summer as well
11. HEAP Open Enrollment – March 15th

COMMUNITY PARTNERS REPORT:

Warren County Public Health

- a. Vaccinations – working hard on vaccinating our seniors and the general public who meet the current eligibility criteria.

Greater Glens Falls Senior Center

- a. Held virtual Medicare/Health Insurance clinic that has been viewed numerous times on Facebook.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:35AM

NEXT MEETING: April 21st at 11:00AM, VIRTUAL