

Present: Committee Legislators Torrey, Deleo, Hawley and Borrelli. Legislators Mancuso, Yunker and Clattenburg attended. County Manager Matt Landers, County Attorney Mark Boylan, Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey, Deputy County Manager Tammi Ferringer, Public Health Director Paul Pettit, Department of Social Services Commissioner Carla Mindler, Mental Health Community Services Deputy Director Peter Mittiga, Housing Officer Paul Osborn, Senior Housing Counselor Paul Towsley and Senior Director of Housing Counseling Services Sarah Simson.

The meeting was opened on Monday June 1, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting location was at 7 Main Street, Old Court House in Batavia, New York. In the Legislative Conference Room.

Committee Chair Torrey announced a quorum was established.

Minutes of the May 4, 2026 Human Services Committee meeting were stand approved as presented by Committee Chair Torrey.

Department of Social Services Commissioner Carla Mindler recommended approving and signing the 2026 Affiliation Agreement between Genesee County and Genesee Community College, for the purpose of allowing Carly Brokaw to complete an internship for an associate degree program, effective immediately. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Borrelli, carried unanimously.

Department of Social Services Commissioner Carla Mindler recommended appointing Amber Eighmey with Job Development to the Genesee County Youth Advisory Board with a term of 7/1/26 – end of tenure. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Borrelli, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit recommended executing the agreement with the New York State Department of Health, for the acceptance of the Immunization Action Plan contract for the period of April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027 and to accept funding in the amount of \$31,050 and to execute any and all other documentation related to this funding. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit recommended executing the Community Accessibility and Inclusion (CAI) for CYSHCN Grant agreements with the following Agencies, Alexander Central School District (\$7,428), Byron-Bergen Central School District (\$4,000), Genesee County Department of Public Works (\$6,000), Gillam Grant Community Center (\$6,000) and The YMCA (\$8,000). The funding is available from 10/1/2025 through 9/30/2026 to enhance the services provided to the participants of CYSHCN and/or their families. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Borrelli seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit recommended executing the JUUL Settlement Funds agreements with the following Agencies, Pavilion Central School District (\$5,500), University of Rochester (\$10,000), Science Take-Out (\$10,000) and Uconnect Care (\$10,000). The funding is available from 6/1/2026 through 5/31/2027 to support local efforts aimed at reducing e-cigarette use and promoting vaping prevention among youth and young adults. This was referred to the Ways and

Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Housing Counsel at PathStone Senior Housing Counselor Paul Towsley and Senior Director of Housing Counseling Services Sarah Simson presented an annual report, which provided updates on grant funding, housing counseling activities, and current housing initiatives. Grant updates included a \$10,000 FY26 award from United Way, submission of the FY25 HUD NOFO application, and a FY26 NeighborWorks allocation of \$54,000 for Upstate New York, including approximately \$15,000 designated for the Batavia office. During the reporting period, PathStone graduated 31 participants from Homebuyer Education, assisted 50 households with home purchase counseling, supported four households in closing on a home, provided rental counseling to two households, and delivered a total of 87 housing counseling services. They also reported that "Homebuyer University" classes will be introduced in the coming months, a new client management system is scheduled for implementation in October, and additional staff certification in Home Equity Conversion Mortgage counseling is planned. Current housing market conditions continue to present challenges, including homes selling above asking price, deteriorating housing stock impacting FHA financing, increased referrals for Section 8 counseling, and the loss of HUD funding for pre-purchase counseling, prompting efforts to secure alternative gap funding.

Mental Health Community Services Deputy Director Peter Mittiga presented an annual report highlighting continued progress in service delivery, community engagement, operational improvements, and financial performance. He reported stable clinical staffing, expanded access through Open Access services and extended clinic hours, increased new client volume, consistent patient show rates, and positive patient satisfaction outcomes. He provided updates on the development of a regional Local Outreach to Suicide Survivors (LOSS) Team, ongoing disaster mental health preparedness, expanded Crisis Intervention Training and first responder support, and numerous community outreach and educational initiatives throughout Genesee County. He also noted improvements in billing accuracy and revenue collection, implementation of internal Continuous Quality Improvement processes, successful recruitment efforts, and strong financial performance despite continued challenges related to court-ordered restorative services and provider vacancies. Additional updates included enhancements to care management, Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT), SPOA services, and the implementation of a new Mental Health Court Navigator position supported through state funding. Capital improvements addressed facility safety concerns identified through county and state inspections, while future initiatives include procurement of a new electronic health record system, recruitment of additional psychiatric providers, expansion of contracted clinical services, and continued efforts to strengthen behavioral health services and community partnerships throughout the county.

County Manager Matt Landers had no reports.

Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey announced the next Human Services Committee Meeting will be on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. prior to the Public Service Committee Meeting.

Committee Chair Torrey adjourned the Human Services meeting at 5:08 p.m.

CERTIFICATION OF THE CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK, County of Genesee, ss:

I, Lisa K. Casey hereby certify that the foregoing is a true report of the Human Services Committee of the Genesee County Legislature on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 4:30 P.M., typographical errors excepted.

Lisa K. Casey