



Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.

2010 Annual Report

45th Anniversary



This Year we are Dedicating our Annual Report to our Board of Directors

Our Board of Directors is considered to be one of the highest performing non-profit Boards in the community action network.

Our Board is involved, well-trained and up-to-date on its roles and responsibilities. The various reviews that have been conducted over the years by both State and Federal funding sources have always indicated compliance with all relevant Board of Directors requirements.

Additionally, at the most recent Community Action Partnership National Convention in Boston, our Board Chairman Michael Kayes, Board Secretary Jack Wilson and Executive Director Denis Wilson, conducted a Board of Directors training for more than one hundred individuals from around the country. Representatives of Fulmont have conducted this training at three previous National Conventions, as well as one New York State Community Action Association Conference.

The expertise, dedication and commitment to our agency by our entire Board of Directors is one of the major factors in the success of Fulmont.

Thanks to all of you for your service to our Board.

**Fulmont Community
Action Agency, Inc.**

Would like to Thank

**Community Action Partnership
President and CEO Don Mathis**

For Being our Keynote Speaker at
Our 2010 Annual Dinner.

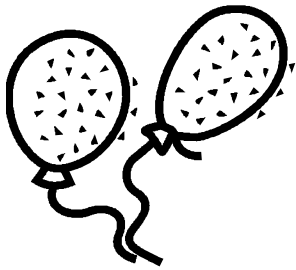
**Thank you,
Mr. Mathis!**





Congratulations to Fulmont for 45 years!

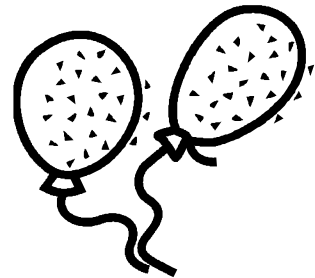
In 1964, the Economic Opportunity Act was signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson,



making the dream of President John F. Kennedy a reality.

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. was incorporated in October of 1965 and began delivering services in 1966.

This year, Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. celebrates 45 years serving the low income, elderly and disabled population of Fulton, Montgomery and surrounding counties.



Here's to the next 45!

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.



In Recognition of
Outstanding Service and
Commitment to the Community

Ms. Susan Owens

Is Awarded the Thirteenth Annual
Anthony C. Buanno Community Action Award

And

The St. Johnsville Central School District

Is Awarded the Thirteenth Annual
John G. Boshart Community Action Award



Presented by the Fulmont
Board of Directors and Staff
October 4, 2010

Certificate of Incorporation
Of the
Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.
Pursuant to the Membership Corporation Law



The original Certificate of Incorporation of the Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. was signed on October 25, 1965.



The original Board of Directors and signers of the Certificate of Incorporation were:

- ♦ Roy A. Ward
- ♦ Samuel H. Anderson
 - ♦ Isadore Wilner
 - ♦ Gene L. Catena
 - ♦ Lewis D. Sandy
- ♦ John J. Keane, Executive Director



The Certificate was approved
On November 26, 1965
By Felix J. Aulisi, Justice of the Supreme Court.
It was received by John Phinezo for the
State of New York on December 1, 1965.

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.

“Helping People. Changing Lives.”

OFFICERS

Michael Kayes
Richard Prestopnik
Jack Wilson
Sandra Savage

Chairperson
Vice Chairperson
Secretary
Treasurer

Executive Director

Chief Executive Officer
Denis E. Wilson, Sr.

Deputy Executive Director

Chief Administrative Officer
Ann Black

Director of Finance

Chief Financial Officer
Tammy A. Crossway

Senior Staff

Marianne Suchocki
Don Power
Stella Zanella
Michelle Masi Sitterly

Early Childhood Services Director
Energy Services Director
WIC Director
ECS Associate Director

Administration

Susan Villone
Hope Harvey
Maggie D’Alessandro

Executive Secretary
Administrative & Financial Coordinator
Human Resources Coordinator

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.

Board of Directors

Peter Ackerbauer

Terry Bieniek

Hugh Carville

Terry Dewey

Ginger Driscoll

Sherri Farrell

Vito Greco

Michael Kayes

Gerry Maring

Richard Prestopnik

Sandra Savage

Adam Schwabrow

Jeremy Spraggs

Jack Wilson

Paul Brady

Thomas Brownell

Sheryda Cooper

Ronald Dievendorf

Grace Eglin

Linda Frederick

Frances Hazelton

Eliot King

Richard Ottalagano

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Monique Simons

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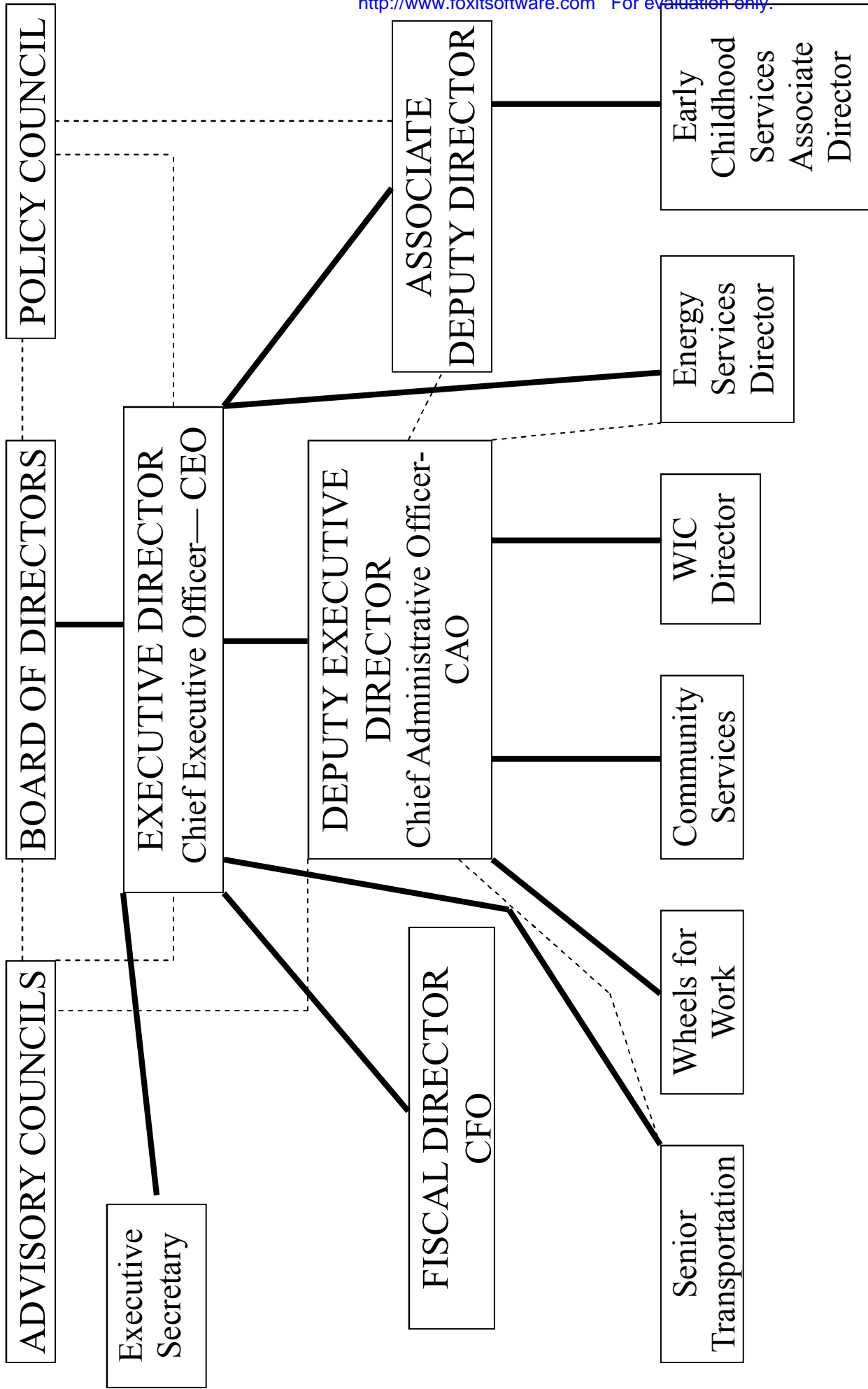
EMERITUS

Margaret Wickware

Anthony Buanno

FULMONT COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, INC.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

This year, as last, I am pleased to report that our organization is solvent, respected and thriving. Thank you to all my fellow Board members, Denis and all the staff, the many volunteers, the many benefactors, state and national officials and others who have made my second year as Chairman a pleasure.

Fulmont continues to fight the decline effects of a national and local economy. Several years ago, when I was Treasurer, we developed a quick means of measuring the local financial impact of our organization. The total amount of this impact for the last year was approximately \$4,761,079. This figure includes funding for our annual programs and an additional \$2,145,000 from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) which is often referred to as the Stimulus Act. An important observation needs to be made here: Fulmont's grant request asked for only what was needed determined by what could be accomplished. The 2010 Stimulus year was recognized as a success, and \$1,000,000 of additional funds were awarded for next year.

In September, I had the privilege of attending the National 2010 Community Action Partnership Annual Conference. The conference provided the opportunity to attend many educational and interesting sessions. I wish to report to you two items. I had the opportunity to be part of the audience for a brief address by Governor Deval Patrick of Massachusetts and the opening Key-note address by Ray Suarez, a national senior news correspondent. Both men were introduced by Don Mathis, President of the Community Action Partnership. Don also moderated the business sessions and awards sessions of the conference. Don will be the Keynote speaker at our dinner this year. I find Don's speaking to be very sincere and compassionate with just the right amount of humor added. I am certain this address will be one we will all remember.

Additionally, at the conference, Jack Wilson, Denis and I presented a 3.5 hour session on the roles and responsibilities of Community Action Board members. This session included and expanded upon the training each Fulmont Board member receives. Attendance at this session was beyond expectations (as indicated by a room overflowing with primarily Board members from across the country, as well as a handful of Executive Directors and government officials). Overall, those in attendance gave high praise and excellent ratings to the session. The three of us found satisfaction in a job well done.

The mission of the Fulmont Community Action Agency is to improve and expand human services and programs in order to promote self-sufficiency and improve the quality of life of the socially and economically disadvantaged in Fulton, Montgomery and the surrounding Counties. Our mission is perhaps among the most unique of implemented federal programs of the last half century. We have successfully linked the federally funded programs of the nation with helping solve the individual needs of our counties. I am convinced that our mission has always been valid, and Community Action's needs will continue as we move forward in this century.

Thanks to all.
Michael Kayes

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This year I would like to focus on the value of partnerships.

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. is thriving as a community resource due in large part to the many partnerships we have developed over the years.

We have partnerships with numerous government funding sources, which is where it all begins... but it does not end there.

Our partnerships are very diverse and valuable to us, and they run the gamut from individual Board members and volunteers to community organizations, local businesses, non-profits, local government and local school districts.

These partners provide valuable expertise, volunteer time, monetary donations, goods, services and floor space.

We also partner with our state and national advocacy and lobby organizations in order to achieve a positive effect on the “large picture”.

Additionally, we have a strong partnership with many of the Community Action Agencies throughout New York State. In particular, Fulmont is the host agency for a regional group of Community Action Executive Directors that meet monthly to network and share ideas and experiences. This regional group is an invaluable resource for Fulmont and myself.

These many partnerships prove an age old point: That we can't do it ourselves. This is so true in Community Action, and I believe that the greatest strength of a community action agency is its ability to bring so many different and diverse partners together to achieve its mission. I am proud to say that Fulmont does this very well!

Denis E. Wilson, Sr.
Executive Director

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.

Departments

Early Childhood Services: A comprehensive child development program consisting of the Head Start and Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Programs that is geared toward the emotional, social, health, nutritional and psychological needs of children three to five years old from low income families.

Energy Services: A program that assists income eligible families to combat the high cost of home energy through the installation of approved Department of Energy measures and techniques. These measures include the testing of heating systems and the addition of health and safety equipment such as smoke detectors.

WIC: This program provides food supplements and nutrition education and counseling to expectant women. Children from newborn to age five are also eligible for services.

Community Services: This program assists income eligible people in several different areas.. These include emergency food pantries, Extra Helpings (a food buying club), FEMA (providing assistance with fuel, utilities or rent/mortgage, Coats for Kids and emergency clothing free of charge to low income families/individuals who are in need. Community Services also offers Family Development, a comprehensive care coordination and support system for families wishing to become self-reliant, and Wheels for Work, a program that matches up donated cars with individuals so as to secure or maintain employment.

Senior Transportation: A program that provides door-to-door transportation service to elderly individuals in Fulton County who cannot access public transportation.

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.
Early Childhood Services
Marianne Suchocki, Director

The Early Childhood Services Program has served the children and families of Fulton and Montgomery Counties since the mid-1970s. The program is dedicated to promoting the physical, emotional and educational development of every child enrolled, while keeping in mind that the parent is the primary educator. The 2009-2010 school year proved to be another productive and challenging year. As a team, the Early Childhood Services staff has worked hard to meet the changing needs of our community.

On October 19, 2009 a team of federal reviewers began their comprehensive review of our program. This review was a huge undertaking for our program and was extremely intense. The federal review team spent several days reviewing every component of our program, including our delegate sites located in the Gloversville Enlarged School District and the Dolgeville Central School District. I am proud to announce that our agency once again proved to be a program that provides safe, fun and quality educational programming to the children and families of our community. Out of several thousand items that were reviewed, our program was found to be in compliance with each and every one. A perfect review is something we are very excited about and very proud of. We are very fortunate to have dedicated staff at the Grantee and Delegate locations that worked tremendously hard to ensure that the review was a success. AWESOME JOB!

On September 8, 2010 our program also opened two new grantee operated locations. These new sites are located within the Gloversville Enlarged School District and allow our agency to serve one hundred and thirteen three- and four-year-old children located in the Gloversville area. These locations operate 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, September through June and will house twenty additional staff.

For the funding year 2009-2010, the Early Childhood Services Program received \$2,181,485 in federal funding to provide Head Start services in Fulton and Montgomery Counties. The Gloversville Enlarged School District received \$635,367 from Fulmont to be able to provide 113 children with Head Start Services, and the Dolgeville Central School District received \$107,634 from Fulmont to provide 18 children with Head Start services. The remaining \$1,438,484 was used by Fulmont to operate the Grantee locations and provide staff with training and technical assistance throughout the program year. For the current funding year 2010-2011, Fulmont has received \$2,252,198 in federal funding.

During the funding year of 2009-2010 our Head Start programs served 322 children and families, and our average monthly enrollment was 285 children per month. One hundred percent of our children enrolled received medical exams, and one hundred percent of our children enrolled received dental exams. Throughout the year our families are invited to attend many parent involvement activities, including parenting classes, GED preparation classes, behavior management training and child development training, as well as many on-site activities that allow parents opportunities to be involved in their children's education. Our program also offers opportunities to parents to attend transition activities with their child's respective school district.

The agency's independent audit firm, Toski, Schaefer & Company also conducted an annual agency-wide audit, and it was determined that there were no findings: Fulmont has been determined to be a low risk auditee. Toski, Schaefer & Company has issued an unqualified opinion on Fulmont's financial statements as well as compliance with the major federal award programs that we operate.

Although the Early Childhood Services program continues to face the challenges of our changing environment, we continue to rise to the challenges and provide our community with outstanding educational programming. With the efforts of our parents, Board of Directors, Policy Council, community members and staff, I am confident that we will continue to make a difference in the lives of the children and families that we serve.

Fulmont Early Childhood Services Staff

Marianne Suchocki	Director
Michelle Masi Sitterly	Associate Director
Kathy Stangle	Transportation Manager
Michael McDonald	Family and Community Partnership Manager
Katrina Maas	Education Manager
Alicia Gray	On Site Program Supervisor- Amsterdam
Kristy Ford	On Site Program Supervisor- Fonda & St. Johnsville
Kim McMullen	On Site Program Supervisor- Gloversville
Wanda Martinez	Family Partnership Specialist
Tracie Novak	Family Partnership Specialist
Angel Windham	Family Partnership Specialist
Anna Gonzalez	Family Advocate
Samantha Romeyn	Family Partnership Specialist
Marlene Arminio	Family Partnership Specialist
Kayla Brown	Family Partnership Specialist
Elena Mead	Head Cook
Clarissa Silva	Kitchen Aide / Bus Monitor
Dawn Garti	Secretary
Pete Jambo	Custodian
Nancy Muscato	Nurse
Doreen Hrinishin	Nurse
Deborah Sowell	Health Aide
Yolanda Roriguez	Health Aide
Allison Rose	Teacher
Brooke Cuddy	Teacher
Caitlyn Walter	Teacher
Amy Blanc	Teacher
Sam Harder	Teacher
Susan Fenstermacher	Teacher
Cassandra Kline	Teacher
Samantha Marchese	Teacher
Julie MacVean	Teacher
Samantha Kollar	Teacher
Koreen Vainauskas	Teacher
Barb Blakely	Teacher
Staci Stemmler	Teacher Assistant
Juli Ortiz	Teacher Assistant
Wanda Conyers	Teacher Aide
Nykole Pertell	Teacher Assistant
Mary Kuehner	Teacher Aide
Shea Cotton	Teacher Assistant
Terri Moore	Teacher Aide
Becky Cosselman	Teacher Aide
Jasmine Brothers	Teacher Assistant
Lucyna Chudzik	Teacher Assistant
Melinda Rockwell	Teacher Assistant
Kirsten Edwards	Teacher Aide
Judith Mulvey	Teacher Aide
Dianna Streeter	Teacher Aide
Danielle Graham	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Marion King	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Melissa Morreale	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Yadira Roman	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Theresa Seeley	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Elizabeth Perez	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Heather Egan	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Amanda Urys	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Tairyn Phillips	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Karyn Bergen	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Denise Fuchs	Bus Monitor / Center Aide
Reagan Andrews	Bus Monitor / Center Aide

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.
Energy Services
Annual Report - 2010
Don Power - Director

For 2010, Weatherization has contracted with the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal to weatherize approximately eighty (80) homes in Fulton and Montgomery Counties from April 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Fulmont Community Action Agency's Energy Services Program has received Stimulus Funds through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to weatherize approximately one hundred (100) additional homes by June 30, 2011. We are expecting to receive additional funds to weatherize multifamily buildings with approximately three hundred (300) units.

We have recently signed agreements with the City of Johnstown Housing Rehabilitation Office, Fulton County Community Heritage, City of Gloversville Housing Rehabilitation, Valley Rural Housing and the City of Amsterdam Housing Rehabilitation Office to conduct energy audits.

Our close association with the local Departments of Social Services, Offices for the Aging, Community Heritage, Valley Rural Housing, City of Johnstown, City of Gloversville, City of Amsterdam, as well as other rehabilitation programs will continue to be a great help locating the people in need of our services. They have also helped by providing services and funding for the needs of people beyond the scope of Weatherization.

We have signed a contract with the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) to reduce the electric burden for qualified customers.

Of course our funding for these measures is limited. We are directed to follow a priority list. In some cases where repairs are too immense, we are sometimes able to access other sources of funding to complete these projects, such as safe, reliable heat, insulation, air sealing, year round energy savers, health and safety (including smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors). We are currently working on developing other programs to enhance the Energy Services Program.

Energy Services Staff

Don Power - Director	Tom Kilinski - Program Manager (ARRA)
Pete Hansen - Building Analyst	Kimberley Andrews - Administrative Assistant
Luke McGregor- Building Analyst	Al Nadler - Building Analyst
Michael McDaniel - Crew Chief	Michael Ross - Crew Chief
Neil Klena - Laborer	James Kelty - Laborer
Lou Galardy - Auditor	Elizabeth Dean - Clerk

Annual Report
WIC
Stella M. Zanella
WIC Program Director

WIC is the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children. WIC is designed to address health disparities and reach families in need of preventive health services. WIC's mission is to improve the nutrition and health status of low income Women, Infants and Children (to age 5) by providing nutritious foods, nutrition and health education, and referrals to health care and other human services. WIC's goals are to:

- Improve pregnancy outcomes
- Reduce the number of low birth weight infants
- Support and encourage breastfeeding
- Support the growth and development of infants and children

To qualify for the WIC Program, applicants must meet WIC's four eligibility criteria: Category, Residency, Income and Nutritional Risk. WIC participants (women and children) receive food vouchers for: milk, cheese, eggs, juice, cereal, peanut butter, dried legumes, whole grain bread, or brown rice and tortilla. Women and children also receive a food voucher in an amount from \$6.00 to \$10.00 for fresh fruits and vegetables. For infants, WIC provides formula, infant cereal and baby food (fruits and vegetables).

In 2010 the WIC Program began a participant-centered counseling approach called TLC (Talk, Listen, Connect), based on a national initiative to make WIC counseling even more effective. The evidence-based approach puts WIC families in the driver's seat as they determine what behavior changes will work best for them. Fulmont WIC Staff received training on using this new approach with participants to help staff make changes needed to provide participant-centered services.

In June 2010, we moved our Gloversville location to the Senior Center on Church Street in Gloversville. This site is much improved. The participants have responded well and enjoy being greeted by our receptionist at the front window of the waiting area. We also have a spacious area with more privacy for nutrition education, participant screening and breastfeeding counseling and support.

Fulmont WIC serves 3,180 WIC participants in the two county area. WIC families redeem food vouchers for healthy foods in 15 large and small grocery stores in Fulton and Montgomery Counties. WIC families also receive Farmer's Market coupons during the summer months to redeem for locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables.

Outreach continues to be an integral part of the program, since our funding depends on our caseload. This could not be done without our Outreach Staff of Linda Matousek, Administrative Assistant, and Diane Papa, Senior Program Assistant. Suzanne Wildove, Nutrition Coordinator, and Mary Cellary, WIC Nutritionist, have focused on outreach to the medical community to develop and continue existing partnerships.

We have also continued with the Healthy Habits Dental Program to provide dental screening for our WIC participants.

WIC STAFF

Stella M. Zanella
Linda Matousek
Suzanne Wildove
Mary Cellary
Maryhope G. Frye
Shirley Nellis
Diane Papa
Jane Croucher
Christie Fiore

WIC Program Director
Administrative Assistant
Nutrition Coordinator
Breastfeeding Coordinator
Nutritionist, DTR CDN
Nutrition Assistant
Senior Program Aide
Clerk
Breastfeeding Peer Counselor

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
ANN BLACK, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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Fiscal year 2010 has proven to be the most challenging fiscal year we have experienced in years.

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT Another successful class has been completed with an additional six frontline workers receiving their Family Development Credential. Many thanks to both Linda Kinum and Sharon Thomas who served triple duty; Linda acting as the lead FDC Class Facilitator, Portfolio Advisor and Northville Center Coordinator, Sharon as class assistant and Community and Family Services Coordinator. Many thanks to FDC portfolio advisors Kimberley Andrews, Energy Services Administrative Assistant; Marisa Morell, former Gloversville Center Coordinator; and Frances Alger, who is employed by an aging program in Montgomery County. Congratulations to the FDC graduates. They are: Aimee Kollar, Fort Plain Center Coordinator; Betsy Hastings, Cars for Careers Case Manager; and Samantha Romeyn, Angel Windham and Kayla Brown, Family Advocates for Head Start; and Jennifer Jetty Caseworker for St. Mary's Mental Health.

WHEELS FOR WORK We have now entered our third year of this contract. We continue to provide these services in Fulton, Montgomery and Schoharie Counties. From the period of September 2009 until August 2010, we have distributed 22 vehicles and provided 10 repairs to ensure participants have adequate transportation to maintain or obtain employment. All participants go through a Life Skills class consisting of budgeting, basic auto maintenance, defensive driving, case management / follow up (repair recipients excluded), and auto insurance smarts. Special thanks to Beverly Ball, our Wheels for Work Coordinator, and Sharon Thomas, Family and Community Services Coordinator, for the hard work and dedication needed to make this program a success. Thank you also to our partners from Fulton, Montgomery and Schoharie DSS, as well as the Private Industry Council and Schoharie County Community Action for serving on our vehicle distribution committee and donating office space. A special shout out to Art Kinowski for donating his time and expertise at our Life Skills classes. An added special thanks to our partner Lee Schopmeier of Lee Schopmeier Auto Sales for donating car storage space, certificates for a free oil change, and technical assistance / support to the program.

EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM We received an increase in the amount allocated for Fulmont this program year (Phase 27) in both Fulton and Montgomery Counties. In both counties combined, there was \$42,202 allocated. In the area of rent / mortgage there was \$13,241 expended to assist 30 families with one month's portion of overdue rent / mortgage in order to avoid eviction. In the area of utilities / fuel, \$23,717 was expended to assist 159 families in preventing utility shut off or lack of an adequate fuel supply. Finally, in the area of other food, \$4,586 was allocated to purchase food to stock our five food pantries, including \$825 reserved for the Calvary Assembly of God's food pantry.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FUNDING With \$543,968 in ARRA monies, three projects were funded:

CARS FOR CAREERS This program was very similar in design to the Wheels for Work Program with all of the same eligibility criteria with the exception that one could be eligible if there were no dependent children in the household and they were working at least 30 hours per week instead of only 22. All other criteria, including Life Skills and defensive driving classes and case management / follow up, remain the same. From October 2010, when the program began through July 2010 22 vehicles were distributed and 8 repairs were completed in Fulton, Montgomery and Schoharie Counties.

BENEFITS ENROLLMENT VEHICLE A mobile office used to reach individuals who reside in rural or large pockets of poverty who need assistance accessing services in the areas of housing, energy, employment, career development, transportation, etc. needed to stabilize their economic status and employment. On an average, the vehicle travels to 11 or 12 different sites on 24 to 26 days throughout an average month. Other agencies are invited to ride along and outreach to their targeted clientele as well. From October 2010 through July 2010, numerous families were assisted in accessing 261 services and programs.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT This program was designed to assist participants who had income at or below 200% of poverty who were unemployed or underemployed. Successful applicants were enrolled in courses or certificate programs at various colleges, BOCES programs or other educational institutions in order to enhance their employability. Some of the courses / certificate programs enrolled in were: Family Development, paralegal, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), crane operators, medical billing, security guard, energy auditor, commercial driver's license, and hazardous material handler. From November 2009 through July 2010 we have had 31 people successfully complete this program. Three teenagers from the Boys and Girls Club completed a course in employment skills to enhance their future employability. The course was conducted by the Benefits Enrollment / Career Development Manager.

DISCRETIONARY GRANT We have received funding for our Healthy Habits Dental Program which targets WIC participants from birth to age 5 by providing dental pre-screening, parental consultation and education regarding best oral hygiene practices. From October 2009 through August 2010 we have provided pre-screenings to 1,059 children and dental consultations with 901 parents.

ADVISORY COUNCILS We are so very fortunate to have a group of dedicated individuals serving on our Advisory Councils. These people donate their time and expertise to the agency and their respective communities. They provide valuable input and resources to bring the agency's mission and specially deemed projects to fruition. Many thanks to each and every one of them. We couldn't manage without you.

VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS We are thankful for the wonderful partnerships and support we receive throughout the year. We have received generous donations from the Nathan Littauer Courtesy Club, Nathan Littauer Gingerbread Project, Village of Northville, Sacandaga Chapter of the Harley Owners' Group, Lexington Center, Amsterdam Wal-Mart and Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Amsterdam and Fort Plain Rotary Clubs, Fulton and Montgomery Counties Boards of Supervisors, Greg Gottung, the School Districts of Amsterdam, Gloversville, Fonda, and St. Johnsville, Fonda-Fultonville Reformed Church, St. Francis of Assisi Church of Northville, and the Northville Presbyterian Women. Special thanks to members of the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Coalition, especially Mr. Richard Ottalagano who has donated many hours of his time, expertise and resources to this worthwhile project, Kathy McNulty and Joanne Passineau from the IRS who have provided on-going support, equipment and technical assistance, Andrea Hauser from Cornell Cooperative Extension and Fulton-Montgomery Community College and Laurence Zuckerman for the provision of training facilities and student volunteers. Many thanks to NBT and First Niagara Banks for providing financial assistance for this worthwhile project. And, last but not least, many thanks to the individuals who volunteer their time to assist outreach center staff with projects / programs. Your support is invaluable.

PROGRAM FUNDING AND SUPPORT We continue to receive valuable guidance, support and grant opportunities from our funders: Thank you to Delores Franco, Director of the NYS Division of Community Services; Craig Howard, our CSBG Fiscal Representative; and Ms. Nancy Flowers, our Department of State Field Analyst. And finally, many thanks to Denis Wilson, Sr., our Executive Director, and the CSBG, Wheels for Work and Healthy Habits staff for their dedication and accomplishments. They are:

Wanda Iacobucci, Department Manager
Kate Frank, CSBG Coordinator
Beverly Ball, Wheels for Work Coordinator
Sharon Thomas, Community and Family Services Coordinator
Linda Kinum, Northville Center Coordinator
Juana Huertas, Amsterdam Center Coordinator
Aimee Kollar, Fort Plain Center Coordinator
Patricia Gardner, Gloversville Center Coordinator, Benefits Enrollment Coordinator
Brandi Gray, Benefits Enrollment Coordinator / Center Aide
Joanne Gunnison-Myers and Nicole Hernigle, Center Aides
Roy Philbrook, Benefits Enrollment / Career Development Manager
Tara Kirby, Cars for Careers Coordinator
Betsy Hastings, Cars for Careers Case Manager
Bob Poulin, Community Services Worker
Kathleen Konakov, Healthy Habits Dental Hygienist

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)
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July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010**

AMSTERDAM OUTREACH CENTER

The Amsterdam Outreach Center is located on the lower level of the Riverfront Center in Amsterdam, New York. Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following: Total # of food items distributed: 7,172. Total # of clothing items distributed: 1,289. Total # of household items distributed: 15. Total # of personal care items distributed: 40. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$144,394; State 33,871; EIC \$69,745.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	351	939
Extra Helpings	137	137
Emergency Clothing	215	607
Household Items	4	11
Personal Care Items	9	18
HEAP	381	980
FEMA Utility	41	130
FEMA Rental	15	50
Tax Preparation	79	137
Youth Initiative	21	95
Holiday Baskets	91	304
Outerwear	22	81
School Supplies	7	27
Beneficiary Funds	1	9

Presentations: None

GLOVERSVILLE OUTREACH CENTER

The Gloversville Outreach Center is located at 53 Church Street in Gloversville, New York. Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following: Total # of food items distributed: 12,383 (12,117 food pantry, 266 baked goods). Total # of clothing items distributed: 1,016. Total # of household items distributed: 166. Total # of personal care items distributed: 32. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$111,965; State \$24,434; EIC \$45,556.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	734	1,963
Baked Goods	138	332
Emergency Clothing	189	526
Household Items	45	141
Personal Care Items	7	16
FEMA Utility	86	255
FEMA Rental	27	88

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)
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(Gloversville Outreach Center, Cont'd.)

Tax Preparation	57	99
Youth Initiative	4	5
Holiday Baskets	115	377
Outerwear	37	159
Coats for Kids	15	41
School Supplies	4	18
Beneficiary Funds	2	7
Budgeting	1	1

Presentation: Cornell Cooperative Extension- Homemade Cleaning Supplies; Fidelis- Open Enrollment; Fulton County Department of Public Health- H1N1 Virus

NORTHVILLE OUTREACH CENTER

The Northville Outreach Center is located at 202 North Third Street in Northville, New York. Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following: Total # of food items distributed: 4,833 (4,464 food pantry, 369 baked goods). Total # of clothing items distributed: 3,145. Total # of household items distributed: 172. Total # of personal care items distributed: 18. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$73,247; State 16,850; EIC \$24,303.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	199	422
Baked Goods	66	99
Extra Helpings	326	326
Emergency Clothing	195	540
Household Items	39	110
Personal Care Items	4	9
FEMA Utility	6	17
Tax Preparation	51	86
Youth Initiative	5	9
Holiday Baskets	92	254
Outerwear	14	54
School Supplies	5	16
Neighborhood Service	7	20

Presentations: Fidelis Care– Open Enrollment; MVP Gold– New Plans; Cornell Cooperative Extension– Nutrition Classes; Fulton County Office for the Aging; Cancer Services

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FORT PLAIN OUTREACH CENTER

The Fort Plain Outreach Center is located at 74 Main Street in Fort Plain, New York. Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following: Total # of food items distributed: 15,137 (13,159 food pantry, 1,978 baked goods). Total # of clothing items distributed: 3,014. Total # of household items distributed: 207. Total # of personal care items distributed: 16. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$57,570; State \$21,743; EIC \$36,009.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	702	1,974
Baked Goods	667	1,769
Extra Helpings	68	68
Emergency Clothing	275	923
Household Items	47	147
Personal Care Items	5	12
HEAP	274	698
FEMA Utility	21	67
FEMA Rental	1	4
Tax Preparation	57	110
Youth Initiative	6	24
Holiday Baskets	192	635
Outerwear	6	27
School Supplies	6	20
Neighborhood Service	4	16

Presentations: Cornell Cooperative Extension- 'Frugal Finds'; Cornell Cooperative Extension- 'Food 'Cents''

FONDA OUTREACH CENTER

The Fonda Outreach Center is located in the Montgomery County Annex Building in Fonda, New York. Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following: Total # of food items distributed: 1,885. Total # of personal care items distributed: 75. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$79,934; State \$16,626; EIC \$30,204.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	71	202
Extra Helpings	57	57
Personal Care Items	23	78
HEAP	176	506
FEMA Utility	8	35
FEMA Rental	4	8
Tax Preparation	39	69

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Holiday Baskets	14	66
Outerwear	1	12

Presentations: n/a

TOTALS FOR ALL CENTERS

Application intake and assistance, as well as on-site services, were provided to the following:
Total # of food items distributed: 41,410 (38,797 food pantry, 2,613 baked goods). Total # of clothing items distributed: 8,464. Total # of household items distributed: 560. Total # of personal care items distributed: 181. Total amount of tax returns prepared: Federal \$467,110; State \$113,524; EIC \$205,817.

	<u>Families</u>	<u>People</u>
Food Pantry	2,057	5,500
Baked Goods	871	2,200
Extra Helpings	588	588
Emergency Clothing	874	2,596
Household Items	135	409
Personal Care Items	48	133
HEAP	831	2,184
FEMA Utility	162	504
FEMA Rental	47	150
Tax Preparation	283	501
Youth Initiative	36	133
Holiday Baskets	504	1,636
Outerwear	80	333
Coats for Kids	15	41
School Supplies	22	81
Neighborhood Service	11	36
Beneficiary Funds	3	16
Budgeting	1	1

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010

Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. is the subcontractor for the Fulton County Office for the Aging's Senior Transportation Program.

The System provides limited, on-demand services for seniors (60 years of age or older) who live in Fulton County.

Participants may shop, do banking, complete personal errands, visit family at local residential healthcare facilities, attend senior meal sites and travel to and from Social Adult Day Program. The System will also fulfill other requests that fit into the schedule. Transportation is available Monday through Friday.

Vehicles:

- Two 2002 Ford 16-passenger buses (including two wheelchair bays)
- The program also has limited access to the Fulton County Office for the Aging's mini-van or Ford Escape.

The following is a summary of the activities for the program year, **August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010:**

Miles Traveled:	38,446	
Seniors Transported:	4,138	(Duplicated Count)
Wheelchair Transports:	801	(Duplicated Count)
Total Units:	10,065	
Gallons of Gas Used:	6,011	

Staff

Dennis M. Thompson, Driver

Harold Gasner, Driver

Michael LaBadia, Driver

Diane Savage, Coordinator of Services, Fulton County Office for Aging

Andrea Fettingner, Director, Fulton County Office for Aging

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors
Fulmont Community
Action Agency, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the evidence supporting the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated January 27, 2010 on our consideration of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Toski, Schaefer & Co., P.C.

Williamsville, New York
January 27, 2010

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

The Board of Directors
Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.:

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Statement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2009. Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major Federal programs is the responsibility of the Agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2009.

Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and

grants applicable to Federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc.'s internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the basic financial statements of Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. as of and for the year ended September 30, 2009, and have issued our report thereon dated January 27, 2010. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133 and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Toski, Schaefer & Co., P.C.

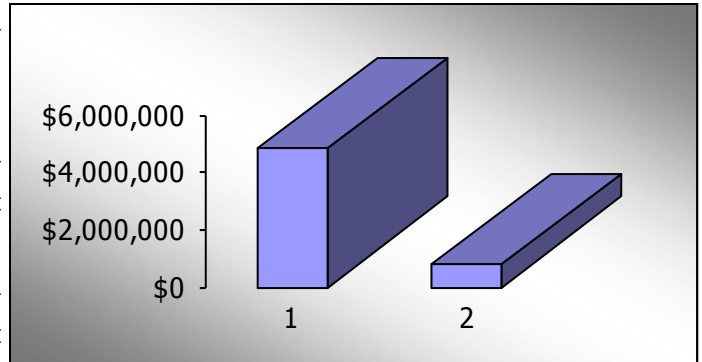
Williamsville, New York
May 12, 2010

FISCAL REPORT

SOURCES AND USE OF FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

REVENUE:

1 Federal Funding	\$4,569,041
Federal Funding - ARRA	\$56,039
Other Revenue	<u>\$208,739</u>
Subtotal Federal & Other Revenue	<u>\$4,833,819</u>
2 In-Kind Contributions	\$794,709
Total Resources:	<u><u>\$5,628,528</u></u>



USE OF FUNDS:

1 Early Childhood Services - Head Start	\$2,269,044
2 Early Childhood Services - UPK	\$153,600
3 Early Childhood Services - Head Start - ARRA	\$21,694
4 Community Services Block Grant	\$406,022
5 Community Services Block Grant - ARRA	\$34,075
6 Women Infants & Children	\$1,406,207
7 Energy Services - Weatherization	\$610,220
8 Energy Services - Empower NY	\$314,901
9 Energy Services - Weatherization - ARRA	\$270
10 F.E.M.A.	\$55,602
11 Senior Transportation	\$70,402
12 Wheels-to-Work	\$153,519
13 Other	\$132,972
	<u><u>\$5,628,528</u></u>

