



# State of New York County of Broome Government Offices

## Office for Aging

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**AmeriCorps**  
Seniors

## Foster Grandparent Program Advisory Council Meeting Minutes May 6, 2025

**Present:** Foster Grandparents: Donna Saker, Nancy Elwood

Community Members- Peter Fuerst, Youjung Lee

**OFA Staff:** Francie Keefe, Program Coordinator

### Welcome and Introductions

- Francie welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

### Program Manager's Report

- **Current Foster Grandparent Status.** Francie reported current Foster Grandparent Status. The program is currently at 28 active volunteers. There was an orientation held in April with 2 new volunteers.
  - Francie discussed the newest information on Federal Funding for the program. AmeriCorps Seniors has not provided any updated information; grant continuation was submitted on time and is awaiting approval. Will continue with business as usual. Francie will keep board up to date with any new information.
- **Outreach Efforts.** Francie discussed the latest outreach efforts made by the Foster Grandparent staff. Field Supervisor Robin has been to a few tabling events and plans on attending more in next month. Several schools have agreed to display yard signs in front of their sites.
- **New Sites-** It was discussed that we are not taking on new sites at this time.
- **Recognition Dinner-** FGP is in the planning process for the recognition luncheon in June. Discussed location, door prizes and recognition gifts. Working on transportation and encouraging everyone to carpool. Plan to invite teachers and local dignitaries. May need volunteer to interview with media as they will be invited also.
- **In-services** – Discussed the topics for the next in-service. End of year paperwork will be completed and will have presenter to focus on exercise and nutrition if available.
- **Summer Program-** several schools are hosting summer enrichment programs and we are waiting to find out exact times to create schedules for those interested.

**Next Meeting:** - TBD