

FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER

YOUTH MENTORING OF THE SOUTHERN TIER



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BELIEVE IN YOUTH BOWL-A-RAMA

THE ANNUAL BELIEVE IN YOUTH BOWL-A-RAMA WAS HELD ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH AT CRYSTAL LANES. THERE WERE 19 TEAMS WITH OVER 70 BOWLERS, AND NEARLY \$11,000 WAS RAISED FOR YOUTH MENTORING OF THE SOUTHERN TIER.



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Welcome Scio!

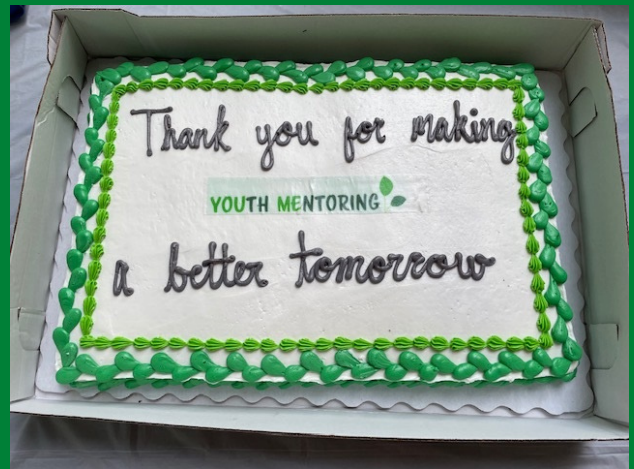
We want to welcome our newest YMST school-based location, Scio Central School! We have been working hard on recruiting and interviewing potential mentors and mentees. The program opened this fall! If you have questions about how to join any of our school-based sites in Allegany County, contact Marshall at greenm@familyservicesociety.org or 607-542-8725.

Bath Site News

Mentees in the Bath program met all summer long. They hosted Filomena from 171 Cedar Arts Center to complete several arts projects. They also made fruit kabobs, hosted their own Olympics, and went to Mossy Bank Park and the Glenn Curtiss Museum.

Summer Picnic

The annual Mentor Appreciation Picnic was held on Friday, August 13th at Harris Hill. Mentees and mentors chose between several activities at the amusement park before welcoming their families to celebrate the end of the year with a pizza party.

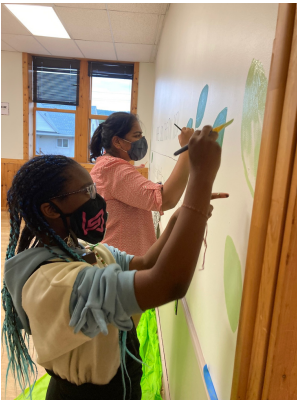


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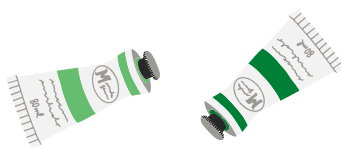
- 55% of mentees are more likely to be enrolled in college
- 27% of mentees are more likely to participate regularly in sports or extracurricular activities
- 52% of mentees are more likely to volunteer in their communities

Heart to Heart

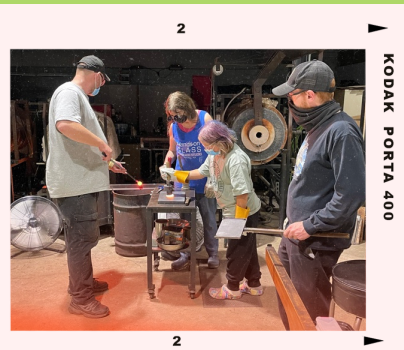
Heart to Heart of the Southern Tier sponsored a back to school event on Wednesday, August 25th. Mentees learned about budgeting and sales, and then were able to shop for clothing at Old Navy. Thank you, Heart to Heart of the Southern Tier and volunteers, for giving our mentees this opportunity. It means so much to each family.



In September, youth in our Corning programs worked with local artist Filomena Jack to create a mural on our wall!



Field Trip to Hands-On Glass Studio



UPDATES

Holiday Parties! Parties will be held on various program nights in December. Please check with your Site Coordinator for more information.

Visit our Facebook page for regular updates:
<https://www.facebook.com/YouthMentoringoftheSouthernTier/>

All application and referral materials are now located on our website:
<https://www.familyservicesociety.org/youth-mentoring-of-the-southern-tier.html>



FLX Gives is a 24-hour online fundraising celebration of local non-profit organizations in our area. It connects community members with organizations they care about. There are prizes throughout the event, and YMST would like to encourage you to participate from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on November 11th in what we are calling our Five Dollar Challenge. With your support, YMST has the chance to win an extra \$1,000 by having the greatest number of unique donors at that time. You can help us by encouraging your friends and family to each donate \$5 to YMST from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 11th. Your support helps us to continue offering mentoring relationships to youth in our area.

6:00 p.m. November 11th through 6:00 p.m. November 12th.
Visit <https://www.flxgives.org/organizations/youth-mentoring-of-the-southern-tier> for more information

Become a Mentor

Many of our sites are recruiting volunteer mentors.

Come make a difference in the life of a child. Visit <https://nysmentoringprogram.ny.gov/signUp> to apply or contact us at ymst@familyservicesociety.org

To become a mentor in the Bath program, you must be a current or retired member of a first responder agency or an employee in the judicial system.

If you are a high school student at one of our school-based locations, contact our Allegany Site Coordinator at 607-542-8725.



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