

MINUTES
RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
June 11, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Richland County Health and Human Services Board was called to order at 10:30a.m. on June 11, 2020 by Kerry Severson virtually via Zoom.

Members Present: Marty Brewer, Dr. Jerel Berres, Peg Kaul, Van Nelson, Debra Kyser, Kerry Severson and Ingrid Glasbrenner.

Others Present: Tracy Thorsen, Robin Hampton, Jessica Stanek, Angie Rizner, Sharon Pasold, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Meghan Rohn, Rose Kohout, Stephanie Ronnfeldt, Edie Moore, and Myranda Culver.

Approve Agenda and Posting: Motion by Peg Kaul, seconded by Ingrid Glasbrenner to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

Approve April 9, 2020 Health and Human Services Board Minutes: Kerry Severson declared the April 9, 2020 Health and Human Services Board Minutes approved.

Directors Report: Tracy Thorsen reported that the Transportation Program has received its new wheelchair accessible bus and is working to have lettering applied to the exterior. The Aging and Disability Resource Center continues to provide a variety of options for support groups including a virtual group called Coffee Connect, held every Monday in June, and a phone support group that will be held on June 15th. There will also be two free events held with local author, Keri Olson. The first event, “Sunny Side Up”, will focus on ways to see the positive side and offer coping tips during these unusual times. The Second event will focus on learning ways to add joy to your life by adopting an attitude of gratitude.

Child and Youth Services staff have begun conducting some in-person contacts, supervised visitations and mentoring for a select number of families. Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the Youth Empowerment Program (YES) will meet via Zoom starting in June and the facilitator, Eric Ives, will also meet with pairs of youth in the community to provide opportunities to meet court order conditions.

Staff in the Behavioral Health Services Unit continue to provide most services via phone or zoom and Substance Abuse Services have also started being provided via zoom. While most services are being provided virtually, staff are going into the community for emergency Adult Protective Services and crisis situations as needed, wearing the proper personal protective equipment (PPE). In recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15th, the Adult Protective Services worker will be doing a radio spot next week to raise awareness on the issue.

The Economic Support Unit has seen an additional 126 Richland County households come onto FoodShare during the course of the public health emergency, while other programs such as Medicaid and WHEAP have remained the same. Changes to state policies and processes due to COVID are returning to former standards. Southwest CAP is administering a new Wisconsin Rental Assistance Program and the Economic Support Unit will be assisting with the program by processing the necessary WHEAP applications for those individuals who are facing eviction.

Administrative and management staff have finished the billing, claiming and reporting activities necessary to close 2019 and are now beginning the process of developing the 2021 budget. This process starts with the review of the needs of both the agency and the community, and a public hearing will be held next month for this purpose.

Marty Brewer joined the Meeting.

Tracy Thorsen discussed the plan to reopen the Community Services Building to the public. While modifying services and providing services in alternative ways has been generally successful, there are still people who are not able to participate in remote-style services. Tracy Thorsen discussed data being reviewed by the Management Team and the County Health Officer, and explained that it was determined it is an appropriate time to begin reopening the building in phases. Tracy Thorsen also noted that reopening will proceed only as long as there continues to be sufficient supplies of personal protective equipment for staff, the building arrangement allows the space necessary for proper social distancing, and virus spread does not increase.

Tracy Thorsen explained that Phase 1 began this week. While the building remains closed to the public, some programs, primarily Behavioral Health Services and the Aging and Disability Resource Center, are scheduling appointments with clients who are not able to participate in phone or video services. Staff meet these individuals at the door and escort them into the building. The target date for implementing Phase 2 has been set for June 22nd.

Phase 2 of reopening involves the Community Services Building opening to the public during regular business hours. Both walk-in and scheduled appointments will be provided to any individual, however efforts will be made to stagger appointments as much as possible. Services will continue to be provided through phone, telehealth, and video conferencing whenever possible for the duration of the public health emergency.

Marty Brewer questioned if any clients have had to go without services during this time. Tracy Thorsen explained that individuals who were not able to utilize technology and people needing to physically come into the building to receive their services have not. However, the majority of people have been able to receive their services even if it has not been to the extent they normally would.

Review and Approve Health and Human Services Vouchers: The Richland County Health and Human Services Voucher Report for June 11, 2020 was reviewed. The following items required additional discussion:

Voucher #6 – ADRC Crawford Cty: This was to pay for masks for the Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Voucher #11 – Cardmember Services: This was to pay for additional trays for the Senior Nutrition Program.

Voucher #21 – Grant Cty Health Dept: This was to pay for the second quarter bill for the Environmental Health Coordinator.

Voucher #22 – Johnson Controls Inc.: This was to pay for a five-year sprinkler inspection that was previously approved.

Voucher #26-#32 Quill Corporation: This was to pay for a large order of copy paper and other office supplies.

Voucher #33 - RC Truck & Auto Inc.: This was to pay for three service calls for the Aging and Disability Resource Center vehicles and will be paid out of Fund 18.

Voucher #34-#36, #38-#39, #40-#42 - Shopping News Inc.: This was to pay for three months of advertisements, including ads for the Chapter 980 committee, a vacant Economic Support Position, and an ADRC Dementia Live event.

Voucher #43 – Summit Companies: This was to pay for an annual fire inspection.

Voucher #3 – WALHDAB: This was to pay for a subscription for the Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards.

Motion by Peg Kaul, seconded by Van Nelson to approve the 2020 Richland County Health and Human Services vouchers including prepaid vouchers listed below. Motion carried.

2020 Vouchers

Unit	No. of Vouchers	Amount
Richland County Health and Human Services – 2020 Expense Reports	11	\$3,854.82
Richland County Health and Human Services – 2020 Admin Vouchers	23	\$22,295.51
Richland County Health and Human Services – 2020 Prepaid Vouchers	6	\$2,687.21
TOTAL	40	\$28,837.54

2020 Budget Summary & Richland County Placement Report (Mailout #1): Robin Hampton reviewed the status of the 2020 budget noting that programs should be showing approximately 42% utilization at this point in the year. While there are several programs that appear to be underutilized, they will not stay that way due to reasons such as certain anticipated costs not having come through yet or currently vacant budgeted positions not being filled. The Elderly Services Program is also showing that it is slightly under budget due to not having provided as many rides through the Transportation Program; however, this also indicates that revenues for the program will be down as well. The Comprehensive Community Services Program is behind on invoicing, which Robin Hampton noted is relatively typical, and it can be expected that utilization for this program will increase once expenses from the new Vista Care contract begin coming in.

As of May 31, 2020 revenues equated to \$2,333,218 with expenses totaling \$2,666,523. So far this year, the charge back process has been made more difficult do to high placement costs and charges from Winnebago Mental Health Institute coming very close to equaling the allocations granted at the beginning of the year. Currently the charge back processes have not been able to occur yet resulting in a budget balance of - \$333,304. Once the chargeback process can occur it will result in a new budget balance of \$27,961. Robin Hampton explained that this is able to be maintained due to the full allocation of tax levy being allocated at the beginning of the year. Tracy Thorsen added that the core budget, which includes all program costs with the exception of the placement costs, is not receiving these allocations due to the state collecting them to pay for the placement costs incurred at Winnebago Mental Health Institute. The charge back process is used to move funds the county has set aside for these placements costs back into the core budget to cover program costs.

Tracy Thorsen reviewed the 2020 Richland County Placement Report, noting April proved to be another month of high placement costs, and it can be expected that May will not be much of an improvement. Some changes are expected in June. Costs through April for crisis stabilization, which is when an individual is able to go to an alternative facility during a crisis situation opposed to an inpatient or institutional placement, totaled \$15,810. Adult Institutional Placement expenses through April have totaled \$426,796.

While the number of Adult Community Residential Placements has gone down, it is expected that this number will go back up as individuals are moved out of institutional placements and into residential placements. Tracy Thorsen highlighted that the expense for residential placements is significantly lower than what would have been seen last year due to the work being done to move these individuals into Medicaid reimbursable services. Total county expense for residential placements was \$19,422 and total expenses in Fund 54 came to \$462,028. This leaves a balance of only \$20,250 in Fund 54. Tracy Thorsen reminded the Board that there is

expected to be a carryover of funds from 2019 and it will be requested that these carry over funds be moved into the placement funds.

Marty Brewer questioned where total costs could be at the end of the year if placements do not improve. Tracy Thorsen explained that while these costs are very hard to predict and can change substantially from month to month, if things were to stay as they are currently for the remainder of the year, the county would exceed \$1.8 million. While it is unlikely we will reach that number, there is real concern that the \$1 million that was set aside in Fund 54 and Fund 44 will be exhausted.

Discussion was held regarding the number of individuals that actually account for these costs and how much control staff have regarding when individuals can be moved from institutional settings into a residential setting. In 2020, approximately 13 individuals have been placed in institutional settings and 3 have been served through crisis stabilization. Tracy Thorsen explained that the level of care is determined based on a number of factors including the significance of their mental health symptoms, the level of danger they may present to themselves or others, and also how effectively they are able to benefit from treatment. Another major determining factor is the ability to find a residential placement that meets the needs of the individual. Dr. Berres asked if there is any indication any funds will be made available for some of these costs due to the increase seen in mental health issues during the public health emergency, and it was noted that no such indication has been given at this time.

Child Institutional Placements are relatively the same with the exception of the transition of one youth from detention into another level of placement. The County has had \$65,266 in Child Institutional expenses so far this year and \$19,625 in Detention expenses. Child Foster Care and Treatment Foster Care have also remained relatively the same with the exception of moving three children out of regular Foster Care leaving year to date County expenses of \$12,029 for Foster Care and \$48,640 for Group Homes and Treatment Foster Care.

Fund 44 began with a balance of \$527,341, \$145,561 of which has been expended, leaving \$381,780. Tracy Thorsen explained that while Fund 54 and Fund 44 are two separate funds, they are treated as one amount to cover placement costs. Therefore, if there are funds remaining in one, they can be used to cover an overage in the other. The comparison of monthly placement expenses from 2018 to 2020 was also reviewed.

2020 Contract Monitoring Report: Angie Rizner reviewed the 2020 Contract Monitoring Report and those contracts that currently exceeded 33% were reviewed, noting that most invoicing should be through April. The Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Community Services, Kareo, and the Family & Children's Center are all over utilized and will be monitored; however, they have all billed through the month of May. La Crosse County Human Services is over utilized and will be closely monitored, but is anticipated to be back on target within the next month. Tellurian, Inc. is also over utilized and will be closely monitored to see if it needs to be amended in the future. Premier Financial Management Services is over utilized and will need to be amended later on the agenda.

Approve Contracts, Agreements, and Amendments (Mailout #2):

RICHLAND COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 2020 AMENDED HHS CONTRACT/AGREEMENT/MOU APPROVALS (6-11-2020)		
PREMIER FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES	Due to an increased need for financial management services to children with disabilities and their families. (Milwaukee) <i>This will require County Board approval.</i>	<i>Original Contract Amount: \$11,000</i> To a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.
RTP (WI), S.C.	Name change from Regroup Therapy, Inc. <i>This will require County Board approval.</i>	

Motion by Marty Brewer, seconded by Peg Kaul to approve the amended 2020 contracts, and forward the recommendation on the County Board. Motion carried.

Health Officer Update and COVID-19 Response: Rose Kohout reported that Public Health staff continue to engage in surveillance, investigations and contact tracings relating to COVID-19. Education also continues to be provided to individuals and businesses in the community. Rose Kohout emphasized that the County is very fortunate to only have had 14 confirmed cases at this point in time. Richland County has conducted 1,150 confirmed negative cases, had 10 individuals released from isolation, and unfortunately 4 deaths. The situation continues to be monitored very closely especially now that people are beginning to travel more and engage in more activities.

In the month of March, the Senior Nutrition Program was able to switch to providing two weeks' worth of frozen meals to individuals who had the capacity to store them. The program is now starting the process of delivering hot meals and looking at the possibility of providing a drive-thru for carry out.

The State of Wisconsin has seen an overall decrease in the number of cases; however, it was noted that surrounding counties are seeing higher numbers of positive cases than Richland County. There continues to be discussion regarding how the virus is thought to spread and it is still believed that asymptomatic people are able to spread the virus. Discussion was held regarding what guidelines would be used to determine if restrictions would need to be implemented again. Rose Kohout explained that this possibility continues to be discussed and noted that even a few new positive cases could be significant.

Personnel Updates: Tracy Thorsen requested that Rita Connors, Nutrition Site Worker, pass probation and be placed on regular status effective April 9, 2020. Motion by Kerry Severson, seconded by Ingrid Glasbrenner that Rita Connors, Nutrition Site Worker, pass probation and be placed on regular status effective April 9, 2020. Motion carried.

Tracy Thorsen made note that Jaide Johnson, Public Health Assistant, has been hired as a limited term employee through the Southwest Workforce Development Board to assist with the increased work load as a result of the public health emergency, effective May 28, 2020. Also hired through the Southwest Workforce Development Board was Kayla Luther, Certified Substance Abuse Counselor, effective June 22, 2020.

Approve Vehicle Wrap for the new 2020 Transportation Program Bus (Mailout #3): Tracy Thorsen explained that the Aging and Disability Resource Center received a new bus for the Transportation Program in April. To help promote the program, a wrap is now needed in order for signage to be displayed on the bus. Designs and prices quotes were requested from B&L Signs. Costs would be covered by the Richland County

Transportation Program Trust fund and it was explained that these funds need to be used within 3 years or returned to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Motion by Marty Brewer, seconded by Dr. Jerel Barres to approve the purchase of a vehicle wrap for the new 2020 Transportation Program bus from B&L Signs at a cost not to exceed \$1,897.60. Motion carried.

Approve State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant (Mailout #4): Myranda Culver explained that Health and Human Services began receiving funds for this grant through the Southwest Wisconsin Community Action Program (Southwest CAP) in July of 2018. Notification was received in April of 2020 that the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) wished to move these funds to Richland County to support one full-time Substance Abuse Treatment Counselor and one part-time Substance Abuse Treatment Counselor through September of 2020; with the possibility of additional grant funding availability after that. Motion by Van Nelson, seconded by Peg Kaul, to approve the application and acceptance of SOR Grant funding for the State Targeted Response to Richland County's Opioid Crisis, and forward the recommendation onto the County Board for approval. Motion carried.

Approve the Purchase of Laptop Computers: Rose Kohout noted the Nutrition Program Coordinator has been utilizing a laptop that is now too old to receive the necessary updates and therefore needs to be replaced. Myranda Culver also explained that an additional laptop will need to be purchased to support the new Substance Abuse Counselor who will be working remotely part of the time. Health and Humans Services has access to CARES funding that will be utilized for both of these purchases, resulting in no financial impact to the budget, and Myranda Culver added that Substance Abuse Block Grant funds can also be utilized. Motion by Ingrid Glasbrenner, seconded by Debra Kyser to approve the purchase of two laptop computers utilizing CARES funding allocated to the agency. Discussion was held regarding any other laptops the agency would need to purchase in the near future. Tracy Thorsen explained that there are no other needs at this time with the exception of any additional unforeseen mechanical failures. Motion carried.

Review 2019 Annual Report: Tracy Thorsen explained the purpose and importance of the Annual Report as well as what the state requirements are regarding its completion. The report serves as an excellent resource for understanding the large number of agency programs, data regarding program utilization and the service needs of the community.

Tracy Thorsen reported that 2019 was a year of transition with her coming on board as a new Director and a highlight for her was Humans Services Day at the Capital, which provided an opportunity to meet with legislators and educate them on the needs of Richland County. There were also several organizational changes that occurred, including the separation of Child and Youth Services from the Behavioral Health Services Unit, and the restructuring of management so that all managers' report to the Director. There was also a large focus on capturing Medicaid funding for residential placements in the community in an effort to reduce placement costs.

Administrative Services Unit: Robin Hampton reviewed the Administrative Services Unit portion of the report, noting she continues to learn the different aspects of her position. The unit does all of the tasks associated with a regular business office including accounts payable and receivable; however, is unique when it comes to the role played in medical billing for the mental health outpatient clinic, which only continues to grow. In 2019, significant strides were made to improve the billing and credentialing process and financial reports were developed to assist unit managers in monitoring their individual unit budgets. In 2020, the goal is to continue to maximize revenues through insurance, WIMCR and Grants, and ensure billing processes are sustainable with the growth of the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) Program.

Aging & Disability Resource Center: Tracy Thorsen reviewed the population served by the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country – Richland Center Office and explained the four county regional structure that serves Crawford, Richland, Juneau and Sauk Counties. Services provided by the unit were reviewed including information and assistance, options counseling, and eligibility determination and enrollment into publicly funded long-term care programs. The Aging and Disability Resource Center also has both an Elder Benefit Specialist and a Disability Benefit Specialist that provide benefits-related counseling to elderly and adults with disabilities. Tracy Thorsen highlighted some statistics regarding several of these services from the report.

In partnership with the Symons Recreation Complex several early intervention and prevention services were made available to the community including 5 Tai Chi Programs and 1 Strong Bones Program. Services for youth transitioning into adulthood are also provided by the unit, assuring young adults who have physical, mental health or substance abuse disorders obtain the services they need. Also in 2019, in collaboration with the Dementia Care Specialist, several dementia related events were provided to the community including 3 “Let’s Talk Dementia” sessions, 9 Dementia Live sessions, and The Remember Project – “Steering into the Skid”.

The Richland County Transportation Program and the Lift Vehicle Transportation Program provided a total of 1,298 trips in 2019. The Driver Escort Program had 23 volunteers in 2019, who provided 4,692 one-way trips and traveled 185,888 miles. The National Family Caregiver Support Program provided \$10,882 which was used to support caregivers with information, counseling, respite and supplemental services so they can continue to provide services for either a family member who is elderly or has a developmental disability.

Child and Youth Services Unit: In 2019, the Child and Youth Services Unit was created, separating these programs and services from the Behavioral Health Services Unit. With newly allocated state funding, one additional social worker was hired, bringing the unit up to full staff. In 2019, the unit received 249 reports, resulting in 65 assessments. Staff also received 139 Child Welfare Reports, resulting in 71 child welfare cases being opened. There were also 28 cases that received supervision and services as a result of 38 youth justice referrals. The Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Program continued to provide youth with opportunities to develop life skills and also comply with any court order requirements.

Behavioral Health Services Unit: Staff in the Behavioral Health Services Unit assisted 558 individuals through one or more programs in 2019. Crisis intervention services, which focus on individuals who are experiencing a mental health crisis, emotional distress or suicidal ideation, were provided to 127 individuals in 2019. This equated to 1,741 crisis contacts during office hours, 498 contacts after hours, and 52 total hospitalizations. Myranda Culver noted this was a large increase from 2018, partially due to the addition of a Crisis Worker working directly with the Richland School District. There were 52 involuntary hospitalizations, which occur for individuals presenting a substantial risk to themselves or others and are in need of inpatient psychiatric services. These stays are typically funded by private medical insurance, Medicare or Medicaid; however, Richland County funds the hospitalization when there are no other means available and in 2019 Richland County did not need to fund any of these stays.

The hospitalization choice of last resort for individuals needing long-term care and treatment is a mental health institutional placement at Mendota Mental Health Institute or Winnebago Mental Health Institute and in 2019, 28 individuals were placed at one of these institutes for a total of 279 days. Trempealeau County Health Care Center is an institute for mental disease and in 2019, there were 2 individuals placed there for long-term mental health needs for a total of 641 days.

The Behavioral Health Services Unit provided mental health treatment services through the Outpatient Mental Health Clinic to 133 clients. Services included psychotherapy, psychiatric care, and psychological testing and

evaluation. Mental health services were also provided to 62 individual students enrolled in the Richland School District and 6 UW Platteville-Richland students.

There were 116 individuals seen by the Substance Abuse Counselor in 2019 for services, an increase from only 77 in 2018. The Intoxicated Drivers Program provided 102 Alcohol and Drug Assessments for individuals convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, and 13 individuals participated in the Choices Program, offered as an alternative sentence by the court to violators of underage drinking laws. Richland County Sobriety Court continued in 2019, providing services to 21 participants who have had 3 or more OWI convictions and suffer from alcohol dependency.

The Comprehensive Community Services Program (CCS) provides case management services and mental health treatment services in the community, and in 2019, there were 27 adults and 34 children enrolled in the program. The Coordinated Services Team Initiative is similar to the Comprehensive Community Services model; however, it serves only children, and in 2019 served 34 children. Birth to Three programming, serves children ages birth to 3 years of age who show a 25% delay in one or more area of development, and 54 referrals resulted in 41 children receiving these services. The Children's Long Term Support Program served 44 children in 2019, ages 0-21 with developmental, physical or emotional disabilities.

The county is mandated to provide Detox services for individuals who present a danger to themselves or others due to their level of alcohol use. In 2019, 5 clients were provided with detox services for a total of 14 days. Mental health residential services are provided when individuals need supervised living services in order to cope with their substance abuse or mental health symptoms and 19 clients were placed in mental health residential placements for a total of 2,377 days in 2019. The Adult Protective Services Unit serves vulnerable adults and received 71 reports. There is limited funding available to assist individuals over the age of 60 who meet abuse and neglect criteria and in 2019, 8 individuals received these funds.

Economic Support Unit: Approximately 20% of Richland County residents received services through the Economic Support Unit in 2019, which consists of 12 Economic Support Specialists and a variety of programs. As part of the Capital Consortium, staff in the unit received almost 25,000 calls and processed 5,628 applications with a timely processing rate of 98.89%. There were also 8,802 enrollments into Badger Care Plus by the Richland County staff, 2,541 of which were for Richland County residents. In 2019, 15 children received \$37,800 in assistance through the Caretaker Supplement Program, a program that awards a cash benefit to parents who are receiving a Supplemental Social Security Income payment. Child Care Assistance also paid \$25,139 to providers to assist with the cost of child care; however, the year ended with no certified providers in the county.

FoodShare assists low income individuals and families purchase food. In 2019, even during the time of the federal government shut down, 3,019 FoodShare recipients still were able to receive their benefits. The Economic Support Unit are required to investigate all reports of potential fraud and in 2019, there were no claims of significant fraud discovered. Richland County Health and Human Services is still designated as a Certified Application Counselor Organization to assist individuals navigate through finding health insurance. The Medical Assistance Program assists elderly, blind or disabled individuals pay their medical bills and in 2019, 1,115 were enrolled by Economic Support staff. A new position was created in the unit by replacing a clerical position to determine eligibility for the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and the program saw a 2.66% increase in applications in December after seeing a decrease earlier in the year.

Public Health Unit: Rose Kohout discussed the Public Health Unit, and while COVID-19 has become the highlight of conversation, there are numerous programs and services provided by the Unit. Immunizations used to be provided by Public Health to any individual at no cost; however, as of 2013, individuals must be screened for eligibility to receive vaccines through Public Health. When looking at communicable disease

statistics in 2019, Rose Kohout noted that there was an error on the number for metal poisoning and this number is most likely only a couple of reported cases. There have also been additions to the list of diseases over the years that were not seen before; however, most numbers have changed only slightly. The number of Tuberculosis skin tests increased from 233 in 2018 to 264 in 2019, and it was noted this could be in part due to the increase in the amount of two step tests that were done. There was also an increase in the number animal bite orders that Public Health responded to, from 34 in 2018 to 42 in 2019. Rose Kohout took time to explain when someone may be eligible for fee-exempt Rabies testing due to exposure, not necessarily due to an animal bite.

Participation in the Maternal Child Health Program continues to decline as time goes by; however, in 2019 Public Health served 5 mothers, post-delivery, by providing education and support. Other services offered include prenatal care coordination and oral Fluoride. Other general Public Health programs include the Loan Closet, where 287 residents were able to borrowed equipment for short-term use, and the Wisconsin Well Woman Program, providing preventative health services for low-income or uninsured women. In 2019, there were 26 women on the active caseload, 19 of which were new enrollments.

Every 5 years, all Health Departments are required to complete a Community Health Needs Assessment. Rose Kohout explained that the last assessment in Richland County was done in 2016 and the Community Health Improvement Plan was written in response. Rose Kohout highlighted some of the services and providers that have been put in place to address each of the top three priorities identified by the assessment which included childhood and adult obesity, substance abuse prevention, and mental health treatment. Other community highlights included 16 inspections through the Wisconsin Wins Campaign with only 2 sales, the continued provision of mandated school nursing services to the Weston and Ithica School Districts, and 405 visits logged at the Richland Community Free Clinic.

As part of a 5 county consortium to provide environmental health services, the Environmental Health Coordinator conducted 41 home visits and had 297 contacts in 2019. Private well water testing kits were also available free of charge for those individuals wanting to test their private water supply. Richland County also distributed 32 Radon test kits free of charge with a 78% return rate. If there are concerns with the results of these tests consultation is then available with the Environmental Health Coordinator. In 2019, 119 children were also screened for lead poisoning and Public Health is required to follow up on any elevated levels. The Environmental Health Coordinator also investigated 41 human health hazards through the Environmental Health Program.

In 2019, the Public Health Unit focused on 4 capabilities regarding preparedness and response. Rose Kohout discussed the four capabilities which included mass care, medical countermeasure dispensing, medical material management and distribution and medical surge. The Senior Nutrition Program saw an increase in the number of home delivered meals at the Richland Center site and also in the number meals that were approved through long term care programs, which receive full payment. Volunteers have a huge impact on the program and provided 6,205 hours which equates to \$155,869.60. A 12-week nutritionally balanced breakfast program called "Rise and Dine" was offered at the Richland Center meal site and the Senior Farmers Market distributed 124 sets of vouchers worth \$3,100 of fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs.

Fiscal: Robin Hampton reviewed the various revenue sources for Richland County Health and Human Services, noting that figures included in the report were unaudited. Revenues for 2019 including placement funds totaled \$7,482,039, and expenses totaled \$5,966,44. After placement expenses of \$1,230,967 were removed there was a remaining balance of \$284,328. Total placement expenses decreased \$40,388 from 2018 to 2019. Angie Rizner highlighted the list of 2019 Health and Human Services contracts over \$10,000.

Update on Chapter 980 Committee Activity: Tracy Thorsen reported that the committee has currently identified a potential placement on a private property and the owner has agreed to a lease with the State. A hearing will be held this Friday where the conditional release plan will be presented and, if approved by the court, the placement will be final. If the judge finds that the placement does not meet the safety needs of the community, the committee will need to look at one of the other properties owned by the county.

Board Member Orientation Reminder: There will be a New Board Member Orientation held on June 23, 2020 at 1:00.

Adjourn: The next meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. and will include a Public Hearing. Motion by Marty Brewer, seconded by Debra Kyser to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Rohn
Confidential Administrative Secretary