Goals and Objectives 2024 Schuyler County Community Services

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Goal 1

Goal 1: Title Safe Affordable Housing

Goal 1: Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2025

Goal 1: Description Schuyler County continues to see a reduction of safe affordable housing stock, which has now been occurring for over 5 years, resulting in many lower income, at risk persons not being able to live in the area they prefer to. This is a much more difficult problem to address as investors continue to buy the multiple unit apartments that were once available and instead of continuing to use them for long term tenants the houses are turned into Air B-N-B's and other short term rental set ups. Schuyler County has a housing committee that is working with investors, landlords and local housing agencies to try and buy, fix up or plan new options for housing. Catholic Charities and Arbor Development have been involved for many years, but without start up funds or new large grant options, housing is becoming increasingly difficult for many people to find within Schuyler County. The availability of new grant money for safe affordable housing, provided through a local housing agency, would greatly benefit Schuyler County residents.

Goal 1: OASAS? Yes Goal 1: OMH? Yes Goal 1: OPWDD? Yes

Goal 1: Need Addressed 1 Housing

Goal 1: Need Addressed 2 Goal 1: Need Addressed 3

Goal 1, Objective 1: Title Prioritize housing options

Goal 1, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2024

Goal 1, Objective 1, Description Work with local housing services to prioritize the 'type' of housing and could be set up sooner rather than later. The type of housing may be (not an inclusive list): transitional housing with support services; step down housing from an inpatient setting, or possible independent apartments that are set aside for a specific population such as SPMI.

Goal 1, Objective 2: Title OASAS housing needs

Goal 1, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2023

Goal 1, Objective 2, Description Review with FLACRA the needs and options for a Step-Down residence located in Schuyler County.

Goal 1, Objective 3: Title OMH housing needs

Goal 1, Objective 3, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2023

Goal 1, Objective 3, Description Review with Catholic Charities the needs and options for a Treatment Apartment Program located in Schuyler County.

Goal 2

Goal 2: Title 2. 730 assessment and restoration

Goal 2: Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2028

Goal 2: Description 730 exams have historically not been used very often in Schuyler County. Last year we had an increase and 2023 is going to exceed last years number. As a small county we have minimal resources for a very specific law, and we need help in the following areas: 1) Access to a 'pool' of Psychiatrists that we can contract with to provide a 730. 2) pursue a change in the law to allow different disciplines to complete the assessments. NPs fulfill many of the same responsibilities as an MD but are not allowed to do a 730. LCSW's, according to NYS, are comparable to a PhD Psychologist but are not allowed to do a 730. Having access to these disciplines to provide the 730 assessments would be welcomed. Restoration, and the county expense, has been astronomical and it must be a priority to make some changes in how this expense is pushed back to a county.

Goal 2: OASAS? Yes Goal 2: OMH? Yes Goal 2: OPWDD? Yes

Goal 2: Need Addressed 1 Forensics

Goal 2: Need Addressed 2 Inpatient Treatment Goal 2: Need Addressed 3 Outpatient treatment

Goal 2, Objective 1: Title Discuss options with the CLMHD attorney on law changes.

Goal 2, Objective 1, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2023

Goal 2, Objective 1, Description

Goal 2, Objective 2: Title Review options for relatively local Psychiatrists to contract with for a resource list.

Goal 2, Objective 2, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2024

Goal 2, Objective 2, Description

Goal 2, Objective 3: Title Local discussion and education of the 730 process.

Goal 2, Objective 3, Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2025

Goal 2, Objective 3, Description Discuss with the District Attorney office, Public Defenders office and local/county Judges to better understand the process and possible different options.

Goal 3

Goal 3: Title 3. Workforce Recruitment and Retention

Goal 3: Target Completion Date Dec 31, 2025

Goal 3: Description Schuyler County Community Services, and the Mental Health Clinic in particular, has seen a drastic decrease in professional staffing applications which has resulted in almost half of clinical positions being vacant in recent months. There are a variety of reason that have been discussed as Licensed Clinicians have moved on to other positions. These reasons are worth noting to attempt to adjust for new staff, as recruitment and retention must evolve as the larger workforce evolves. Remote work, pay rate and tuition reimbursement are the three main strategies that have been cited by staff as they have left. Schuyler County is looking at each topic and adjusting where possible. The rate of pay and the tuition reimbursement for Licensed Clinicians are being discussed with union and civil service representatives, though additional State Aid specific to each would strengthen the argument to the County and possibly result in retaining staff. Staffing flexibility, days worked, and part-time status are all being considered as the County looks to different ways to advertise the staff openings.

Goal 3: OASAS? Yes Goal 3: OMH? Yes Goal 3: OPWDD? Yes

Goal 3: Need Addressed 1 Workforce

Goal 3: Need Addressed 2

Goal 3: Need Addressed 3

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Case Management/Care Coordination Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Additional Care Management is needed, specifically to help with the increase in school age needs. As our satellite clinics census in each school increased so has the need for care management.

Crisis Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Since the inception of 988 I, as the DCS, have not received any data in regard to the usage of this system. This is important for planning and county needs.

Employment/volunteer (client) Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Help with employment such as entry level jobs with supports to learn and be successful in the workforce, is needed.

Forensics Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes Need Applies to: Adults Only

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes

Need description (Optional):

Housing Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes

Need description (Optional):

Inpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Access, specifically to the State level inpatient, continues to be difficult. Having an easier process to get a person in for inpatient treatment would be helpful for the Schuyler County community.

Outpatient Treatment Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Additional resources to help with staffing in particular are needed in all three O agencies for outpatient treatment.

Prevention Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? No Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Continued expansion of prevention services would be helpful.

Residential Treatment Services Yes

Applies to OASAS? No Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? No

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes

Need description (Optional):

Transportation Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? No

Need description (Optional): Transportation continues to be a need for Schuyler. We have a bus line that continues to expand but the routes are not inclusive and really will never be. Given the rural nature of the county we will always need extra transportation in some form or another.

Workforce Yes

Applies to OASAS? Yes Applies to OMH? Yes Applies to OPWDD? Yes

Need Applies to: Both Youth and Adults

Do any of the Goals on the Goals and Objectives Form address this need? Yes

Need description (Optional):

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