

COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

2023-24









Dedicated to Serving Children & Families Across Western New York

Welcome to the 1st edition of The New View Alliance - Community Impact Report. This new annual report will combine the Gateway Longview and the New Directions Youth and Family Services annual Impact Reports to share with you how your support is having a positive impact in our community and the services we provide throughout Western New York and beyond.

New View Alliance is committed to creating a positive impact in the lives of children and families across Western New York. We work closely with our partners, Gateway Longview and New Directions Youth and Family Services, to provide the best behavioral, social, emotional and mental health services possible to those who need it the most. Visit our website to learn more about our team of passionate professionals with extensive experience in Mental Health Services including Behavioral Health, Special Education, Foster Care & Adoption, Residential, Preventive, Counseling & Community Based Services.



Edward L. Arcara

Board Chair | New View Alliance

It is a privilege to serve as President of the Board of Directors for New View Alliance during such a pivotal time of growth and transformation. This past year has been defined by strategic clarity, bold collaboration, and a deepened commitment to the children, youth, and families we serve. As the parent organization of New Directions Youth and Family Services and Gateway-Longview, New View Alliance stands as a model of what can be achieved when two storied organizations unite around a common mission.

At the Board level, we've worked intentionally to provide strong forwardthinking leadership, and steadfast support to our CEO, Carolyne DeFranco, whose vision, experience, and heart have guided this Alliance through an extraordinary season of alignment and innovation. Under her leadership,

and with the full backing of our Board, we have strengthened our infrastructure, expanded our capacity, and created the foundation for sustainable, long-term success. This has not been simply about streamlining operations -it has been about reimagining the future. By maximizing efficiencies and enhancing collaboration, we are better equipped to respond to the complex needs of families with agility, compassion, and excellence.

We remain focused on the future— creating more access, impact, and opportunity for those who rely on us most. We proudly support this mission, and are grateful for the community of partners who make this work possible.

Thank you for your continued trust and belief in what we are building together. Ed Arcara













Carolyne DeFranco



Chief Executive Officer | New View Alliance

Dear Friends and Partners,

This past year has been one of remarkable growth, bold steps forward, and profound impact at New View Alliance. As the parent organization of New Directions Youth and Family Services and Gateway Longview, we've embraced a shared vision—one that lifts children, youth, and families by uniting strength with purpose.

Through collaboration and innovation, we've reimagined how we work together, and by aligning operations and sharing resources, we've not only increased our efficiency—we've unlocked new potential. We're delivering services with greater speed, compassion, and reach, all while maintaining a deep commitment to fiscal responsibility.

This year, our dedication to excellence was recognized when we were named among the region's Best Places to Work. This honor is a tribute to the heart and talent of our incredible staff. We know that when we invest in those who serve, we empower a deeper, more lasting impact for those we serve.

We also welcomed new voices and visionaries to our Board of Directors—leaders whose passion and expertise will guide us into an even brighter future. With their support, we're poised to deepen our impact, broaden our reach, and meet challenges with renewed strength.

Because of these collective efforts, more families have found support, more youth have found hope, and more futures have been rewritten with promise. This progress is only possible because of the extraordinary people behind it: our dedicated team, the families who trust us, our visionary board, and you—our generous community.

As we look to the future, we do so with energy and optimism. Together, we will continue to grow, to dream, and to deliver meaningful change—one life at a time.

Thank you for believing in this mission. We are deeply grateful for your partnership.

Carolyne DeFranco





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In addition to providing effective, meaningful guidance on the operation of a large organization, a vital part of the board's mission is to lead social change through advocacy and collaboration, and to share power and decision making with the communities that we serve.

> Learn more at newviewalliance.org





Committed to working together to protect, to give hope, and to enrich the lives of every child and family we serve.

Grants Received

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The Breakdown

A look at the numbers across Gateway Longview agency programs

Behavioral Health Services



Children served 12 years old and younger



Youth served between 13 and 17 years old



Clinical appointments provided by the Behavioral Health Clinic

Education Services

2024 Graduates!



26

7

PreK-12 students taught at two locations this year

67 Districts referred students to our education programs

Foster Care, Adoption & Kinship

- 12
- Youth discharged (returned) to their family



Youth placed in Kinship homes



Youth adoptions

11 p

New certified foster parents

Community Services



Youth served



Services provided by CFTSS (Children and Family Treatment and Support Services)



Daughter's Living Legacy

"He's definitely a Gift, He's my Daughter's Legacy..."

Anita, a Gateway Longview Adoptive Parent, despite tragedy transformed loss into love when she adopted her grandson Kannon, or as she calls him, her daughter's (Akeda) living legacy.

Read Anita & Kannon's inspiring story at gateway-longview.org/news

3D Printing at Lynde School



Learning made fun with new tools and equipment Thanks to grant funding through The Children's Guild Foundation, the Lynde School purchased four state-of-the-art MakerBot Sketch Large 3D printers, as part of our newly renovated Library/Maker Space project. Students are learning how to create and edit their own designs. 3D printing opens up a new world of creativity for teachers and students!

National Association of Black Storytellers



Spreading a Little Holiday Magic to Children & Families

Lynde School had the pleasure of hosting the National Association of Black Storytellers, featuring a performance by Ms. Roseberry from Midland, Texas. Students were captivated by her engaging and powerful storytelling. The performance brought stories to life, sparking imagination and celebrating the rich tradition of oral storytelling.

Foster Care Banquet

Each year, during the month of May, the Gateway Longview foster care team hosts a banquet to recognize the hard work and dedication of our foster families granting awards based on living the mission.

2024 Enrich Award: Dawn Kohlbrenner 2024 Give Hope Award: Dawn LaMacchia 2024 Protect Award: Katrina Norris



*Read more about the award winners: visit gateway-longview.org/news or our social media channels

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New Directions' mission is to foster resilient, self-reliant families and permanence for at-risk children in the shortest time possible, by promotion of safe, respectful, responsible and goal-directed behavior.

Grants Received

Chautauqua Region Community Foundation Robert I. and Martha B. Fierle Foundation

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The Breakdown

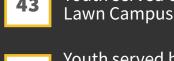
A look at the numbers across New Directions agency programs

Residential Services



Youth served on Randolph Campus





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- Youth served by AOBH (Agency Operated
- Boarding Homes)

Education Services



Number of students that attended Henrietta G. Lewis Campus School

Number of students that 15 attended Wayne A. Secord Therapeutic Preschool

Community Services

Youth served on Randolph Campus	677	Number of families served in Health Homes
Youth served on Wyndham Lawn Campus	1003	Number of youth and families served with in-home programs
Youth served by AOBH (Agency Operated Boarding Homes)	409	Number served by CFTSS (Children and Family Treatment and Support Services)

Foster Care, Adoption & SSP



Number of children and young adults served by Foster Care, Adoption, and SSP (Supervised Setting Program)

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Celebrating Families

An Evening Spent Connecting with our Families & Community

The New Directions Erie County Family Peer Support Services hosted their first Celebrating Families event for those who have, are, or are interested in receiving services. During this free event, dinner was served along with a basket raffle, family-friendly activities, guest speakers, and information on local community resources.

Thanksgiving Dinner for Community Programs

Coming together for Holiday Fun, Food, and Community

New Directions Community Based Treatment program at Scio, NY (Allegany County), hosted a Thanksgiving Dinner for the 20 families enrolled in their program. The team whipped up a turkey with all the trimmings while families enjoyed conversing and playing. Thanksgiving Dinner has become an annual tradition and something the Scio team looks forward to every year!

New Treehouse for Randolph Youth

Adding Fun and Therapeutic Elements to Campus

The Randolph Campus held an informal ribbon cutting ceremony for the new treehouse on the campus! The ceremony was attended by both youth in our Timberwolf Club and staff. Along with the treehouse, hammocks and a play mound were also added to the area on the campus.

14th Annual Ed Krieger Memorial Golf Tournament

Since 2011, New Directions Youth and Family Services has honored the memory of Ed Krieger with an annual golf tournament. Krieger was a 20-year Air Force veteran who worked at New Directions Youth and Family Services. He was widely known by many friends, co-workers, and clients in the southern tier for his positive and uplifting attitude. In October 2010, Krieger was diagnosed with bone cancer. He passed away in January 2011. Proceeds from the Annual Ed Krieger Memorial Golf Tournament enrich campus life and support opportunities for New Directions youth.

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Gifted from faith-based communities and WNY businesses



Worth of services and in-kind goods



Received through legacy gifts and trusts



Total Foundation support to the Agency restricted and unrestricted



Income from Behavioral Health, Community-Based, Education and Residential programs



Administrative cost, below New York State recommended 15%

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We are so thankful to the nearly 100 donors who have made gifts year after year. Every gift is working to foster good in our communities. Thank you for your generosity.



Adopt An Angel 2024

Gateway Longview's Adopt an Angel 2024 campaign was another success! During the month of December, Gateway Longview received, sorted and packaged gifts for over 1,100 wish lists, for children and families in need. Thank you for your continued support!



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Save a Christmas 2023

Since 2013, hundreds of children have experienced the joy of opening presents on Christmas morning thanks to the generosity of local businesses, organizations, and individuals through the New Directions annual Save a Christmas campaign.



Save a Christmas started when a New Directions employee mentioned how much it meant to her when she received a pink watch as a Christmas present from an anonymous sponsor when her family was living in a shelter and unable to afford any gifts. Inspired by her story, we set out to connect families in similar situations with generous sponsors from the community.

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Step Up for Mental Health Challenge

Gateway Longview, together with New Directions Youth and Family Services, in partnership with New View Alliance, created a new peer-to-peer fundraiser, Step Up for Mental Health Challenge!

Participants created a page on the campaign platform (as an individual or a team) and asked friends and family to support the mental health challenge by donating to support Gateway Longview and New Directions. Participants were encouraged to complete FIVE activities each week, and share completed challenges, stories, pictures, and videos while they STEP UP,

prioritizing mental health and wellness. Prizes were awarded to the individuals and teams who raised the most.

Physical Challenges - Climb the lighthouse at Canalside, bike along the waterfront, attend a yoga class, take a walk on your lunch hour with co-workers or walk a pet, etc.

Non-Physical Challenges - Journaling, painting, cooking a new recipe, attending a concert, a family picnic in a park, meditation, and gardening do wonders for your mental health.

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