



PAMLICO COUNTY

Human Services Center

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Deborah S. Green
Director

September 28, 2021

DSS Social Services Board Meeting

Members Present: Pat Prescott-Chair, Beth Bucksot, Nancy Piner

Staff Present: Debbie Green, Director and Danielle Jones, Note taker, Guest: Angelo Midgette

Pat Prescott called the meeting to order.

Board Minutes July and August approved.

- Program numbers were presented to board members. This is created each month for board members to have a better understanding of how many clients are served and case sizes per program. Foster care numbers did increase due to taking custody of another child. CPS is starting to see increase in cases each month. Other program numbers have stayed about the same as prior month.
- ROAP Rural Operating Assistance Program- Director went over the ROAP grant application that DSS has been submitted to the state on behalf of Pamlico County. Rural counties may apply for these supplemental funds each year. The ROAP funds are divided between Pamlico DSS, Pamlico Senior Service Center and Pamlico Community College with CARTS providing the means of transportation.
- Each county in North Carolina will receive a one-time increase in their LINKS allocation from the supplemental funding in the Consolidated Care Act. This special one-time funding is for children who were previously in foster care at the age of 14 or older and who are currently under the ages of 27. The supplement amounts are \$2,500.00 for the age 18-20 and \$5,000.00 for the ages 21-26. Pamlico County has identified two young adults who fall into these categories and has submitted a request so that these young adults can receive this supplement.
- FNS Food and Nutrition Services- Starting October 1st, 2021 the state has advised those currently receiving FNS benefits will see a slight increase.
- Director was sent a public records request from Disability Rights North Carolina. The request is for information pertaining to adult wards of the state. That request and information was sent to the DSS attorney for legal advice.
- Personnel—New front desk worker was hired and started. New APS social worker hired and starts October 11th, another APS social worker is due to start back working part time Oct. 4th. We currently have one CPS Social Worker position open in foster care. The agency currently has two workers out due to a positive COVID test and two others with suspected covid.

Next DSS Board Meeting Will Be November 23, 2021

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