

FAMILY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

OF THE

DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Thursday, October 4, 2018

Committee Chair Thomes called the committee to order at 5:40 p.m.

PRESENT            10        JETER-JACKSON, MICCIO, MUNN, PULVER, ROMAN,  
SAGLIANO, THOMES, HOUSTON, HORTON and ZERNIKE

ABSENT            1        BLACK

PRESENT/LATE:   1        LLAVERIAS

QUORUM PRESENT

Committee Chair Thomes entertained a motion from the floor, which was seconded and carried, to allow the public to address the Committee on agenda items.

No one wishing to speak, Committee Chair Thomes entertained a motion from the floor, which was seconded and carried to resume the regular order of business.

**2018258** APPOINTMENT TO THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

On motion by Legislator Micco, duly seconded by Assistant Majority Leader Sagliano, the Family & Human Services Committee unanimously adopted the foregoing resolution with Legislator Llaverias being absent.

Presentation given by Public Consultant Group – “Path to Promise” Update-Presentation Attached

Legislator Tyner spoke regarding on the jail expansion project and the arrests of non-violent drug offenders.

Majority Leader Roman called point of order because that had nothing to do with the presentation.

The point of order was not recognized by the chair.

Chairman Thomes explained that any questions could be sent in rather than asking on the floor

Legislator Llaverias called point of order because he wanted to ask questions on the floor.

Presentation given by Domestic Violence Committee – High Risk Team-Presentation Attached

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



# Dutchess County, New York

Path to Promise Legislative Update

10/04/2018

# Agenda

Overview/Vision

Workplan and Timeframes

Component #1 Government Services

Component #2 Community Services

Current Efforts



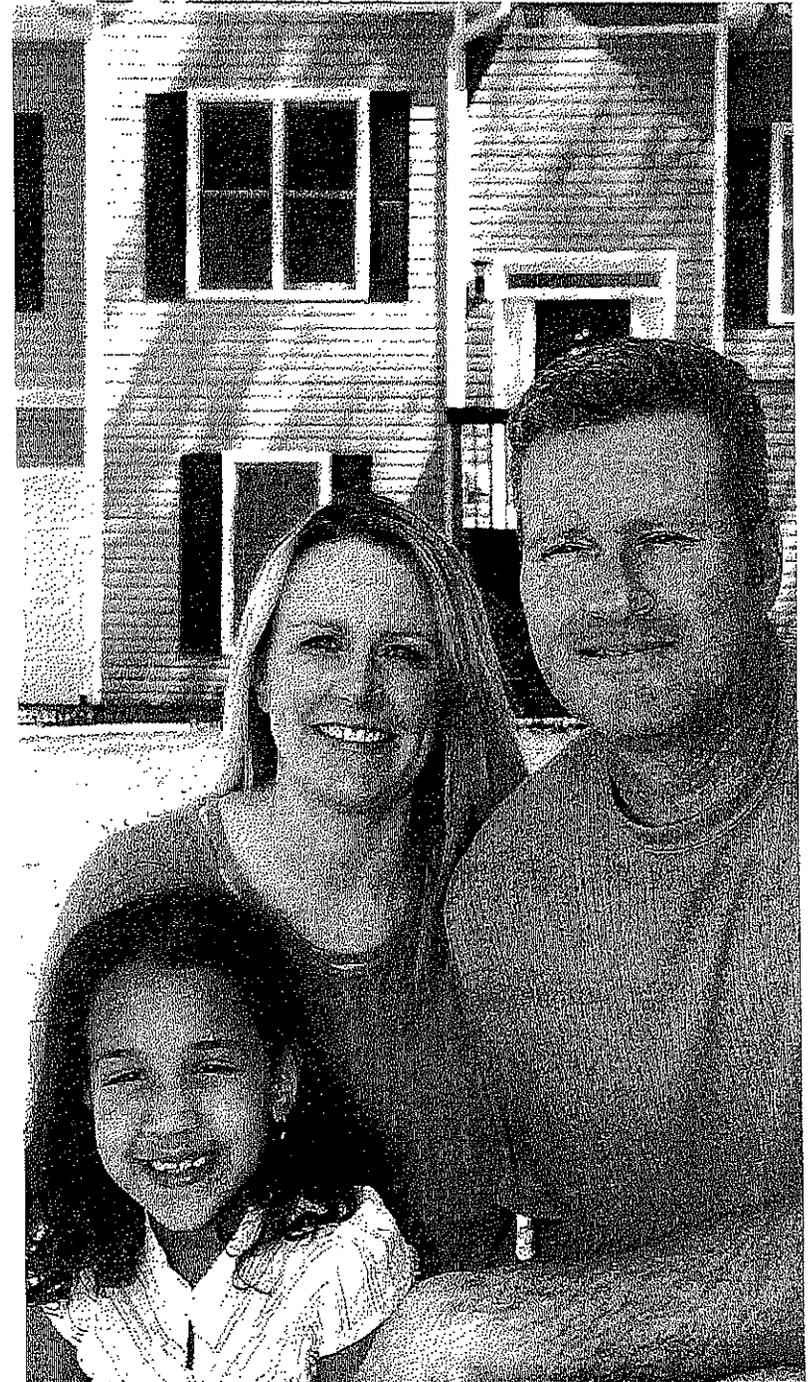
# Goals for the Path-to-Promise Effort

## Goal 1:

Provide opportunities for positive youth development to all children across the County in the effort to reverse the life trajectory that makes it more likely for children to end up in prison due to the lack of access to opportunity

## Goal 2:

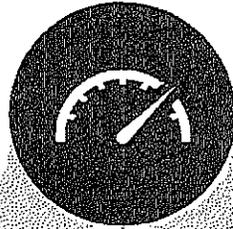
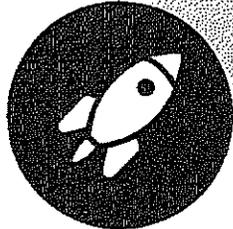
Enhance the assets across Dutchess County and align efforts to provide the best mix of services to youth of all abilities



# Path to Promise Timeline and Major Milestones

## Phase 1:

Research and data collection of Dutchess County services across all agencies serving youth.

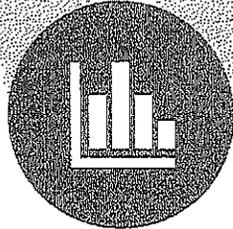


## Phase 2:

Analysis and initial recommendations for optimizing government services to youth.

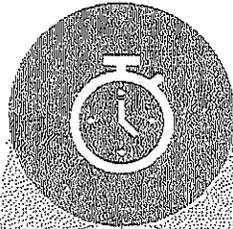
## Phase 3:

Research and data collection of community assets serving youth 0-19 of all abilities.



## Phase 4:

Creation of youth domains and the "Path to Promise" framework.



## Phase 5:

Community work group engagement and the youth summit.



## Phase 6:

Presentation of the community action plan and "Path to Promise" recommendations.



# Vision for Path-to-Promise Effort

“ Dutchess County will work to create an innovative framework, called the Path-to-Promise, that defines and categorizes the youth assets the community values. The County will use this framework to compare the needs of the County’s youth to current activities in the community. This will help the County and community better understand the domains and/or age groups with the most resources and which areas warrant additional investment.

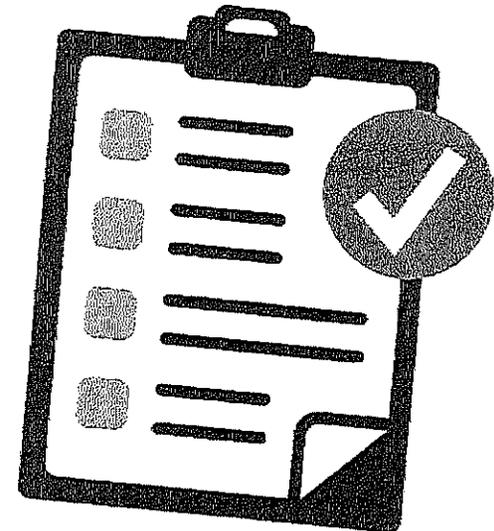
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# Component #1: Government Services

# Component #1: Mandated Services

**\$58 Million**

- Significant Investments in Early Education and Early Intervention
- An Array of Services Reflect the Demand throughout and across the County
- Provider Concentration of Services



# Component #1: Mandated Services FY 2016

| Department                                   | Service or Program Type                                      | # of Programs |
|--|--|---------------|
| <b>Behavioral and Community Health</b>       | Follow up care   | 5             |
|  | Other- Risk Assessment                                       | 1             |
|  | Placement Services   | 4             |
|  | Prevention   | 5             |
|  | Treatment  | 8             |
| <b>Behavioral and Community Health Total</b> | XX | 23            |
| <b>Community and Family Services</b>         | Follow up care   | 1             |
|  | Other- Juvenile Reporting                                    | 1             |
|  | Placement Services   | 48            |
|  | Prevention   | 1             |
|  | Treatment  | 2             |
| <b>Community and Family Services Total</b>   | XX | 53            |
| <b>Probation</b>                             | Follow up care   | 6             |
|  | Prevention   | 2             |
| <b>Probation Total</b>                       | XX | 8             |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                           | XX | 84            |

Note: A selection of some programs run by Behavioral and Community Health and Probation are financially supported through Community and Family Services. This chart reflects only programs made by the contracting County agency and the service provider.  
 Source: County data; PCG analysis

# Component #1: Discretionary Services FY 2016

## \$4 Million

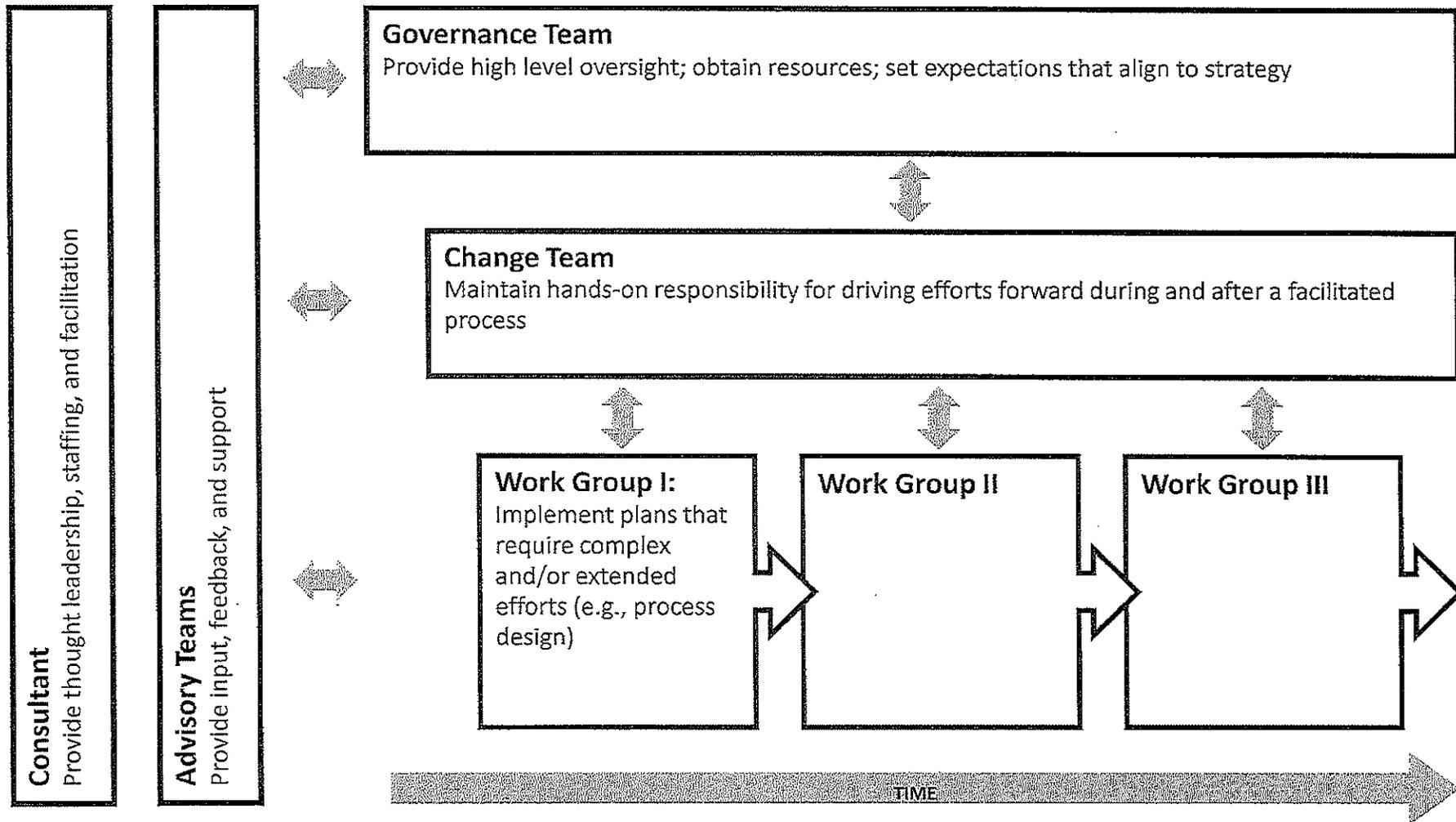
- Discretionary Awards for Youth are Concentrated in Workforce and Youth Development Opportunities
- Most Discretionary Opportunities are Contracted

|                               | Civil Rights and Social Action | Education       | Employment and Job Related | Fitness and Food | Health           | Human Services     | Public Safety and Violence Reduction | Youth Development | Grand Total        |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Community and Family Services | \$58,000                       | -               | \$879,359                  | -                | \$119,039        | \$1,918,282        | -                                    | \$283,700         | \$3,258,380        |
| Planning                      | -                              | \$10,000        | \$183,000                  | \$133,000        | \$14,000         | \$39,000           | \$78,000                             | \$172,000         | \$629,000          |
| Public Works                  | -                              | -               | -                          | -                | -                | -                  | -                                    | \$187,000         | \$187,000          |
| <b>Grand Total</b>            | <b>\$58,000</b>                | <b>\$10,000</b> | <b>\$1,062,359</b>         | <b>\$133,000</b> | <b>\$133,039</b> | <b>\$1,957,282</b> | <b>\$78,000</b>                      | <b>\$642,700</b>  | <b>\$4,074,380</b> |

Source: County data; PCG analysis

# Component #2: Community Services

# Structure for Community Transformation



# Community Outreach and Data Collection Efforts

## DATA COLLECTION



### Youth Interviews

Over 300 youth interviews and questions across five different youth outreach programs.



### Focus Groups

Eight focus groups conducted across four regions.

### Community Assessments

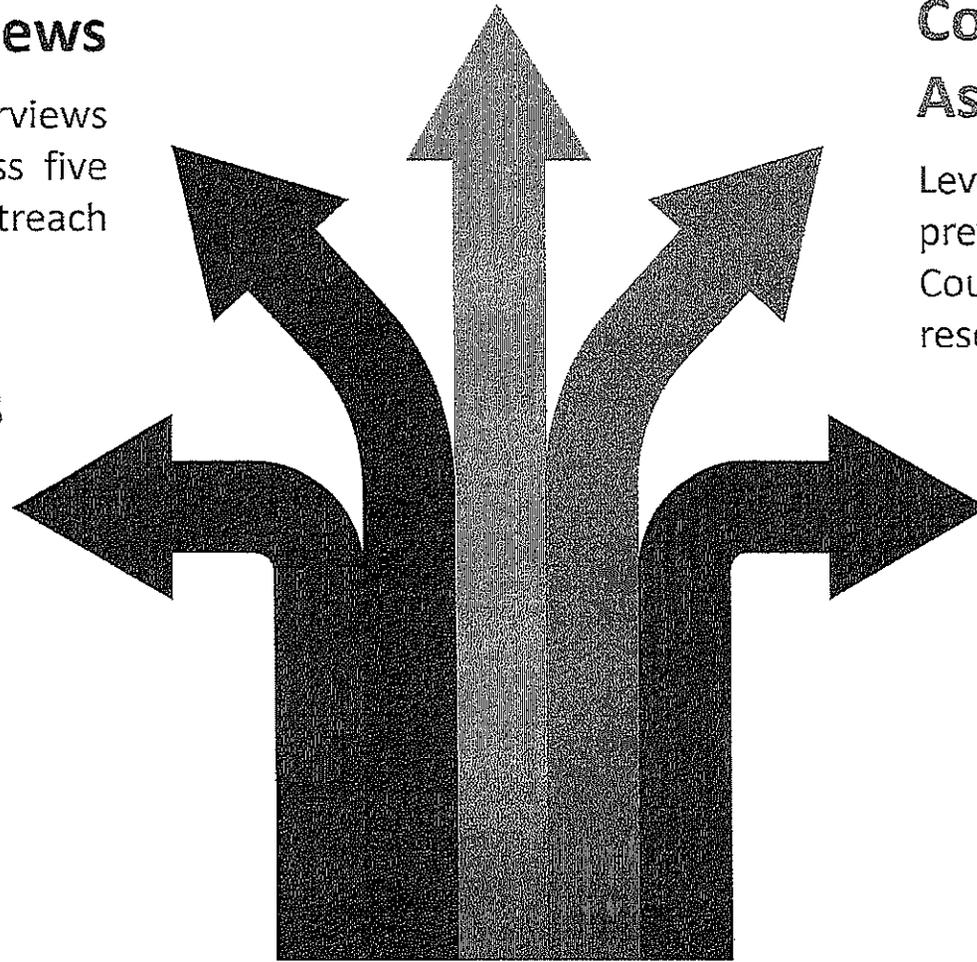


Leveraged established and previously conducted County-wide and national research efforts.

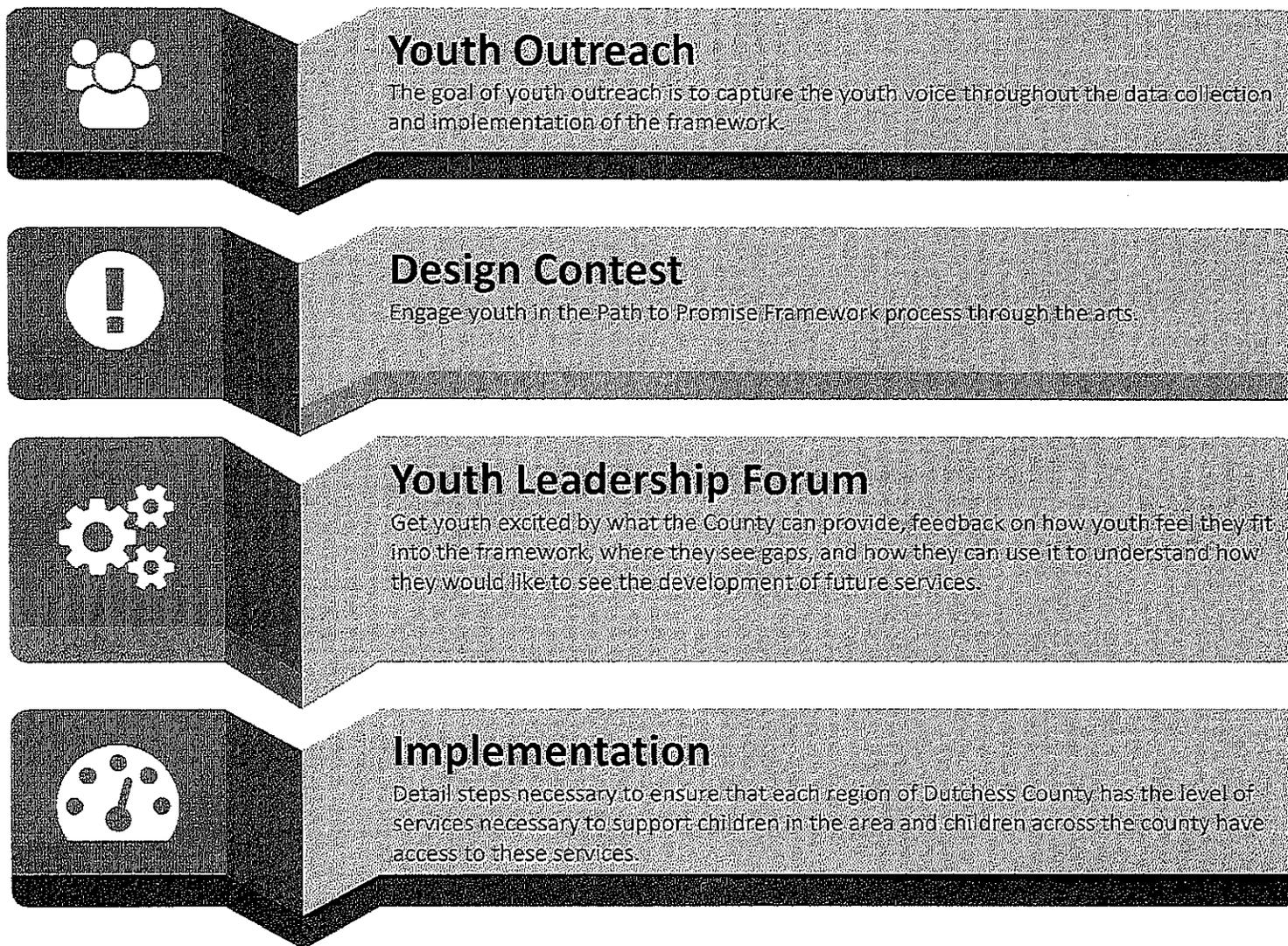
### Surveys



Community-designed surveys targeting service providers, parents and youth.



# Path to Promise Work Groups



# Key Youth Development Domains

| <b>Path to Promise Identified Domains</b> |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Learning</b>                           | Acquiring knowledge leading to the success of youth in future college or career aspirations  |
| <b>Material Basics</b>                    | Providing for the basic needs of youth and families, including housing support and food  |
| <b>Safety</b>                             | The feeling of being protected from danger, risk, or injury  |
| <b>Family/Relationships</b>               | Having pro-social bonds with family, peers, and other adults providing opportunities for emotional and spiritual growth and support  |
| <b>Mental Health</b>                      | Opportunities to develop or support positive psychological and emotional well-being, including enrichment and leadership, and pro-social growth opportunities                            |
| <b>Physical Health</b>                    | Ensuring access to quality health care, opportunities for positive body growth and development, and access to appropriate and quality responses to cases where children get sick or hurt |

# Well- Established Physical Asset Mapping

| Asset Domain                 | Examples of Programs and Services (Not mutually exclusive)  |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Learning</b>              | Schools, Libraries, Head Start Programs, Higher Learning Institutions, Vocational Programs, After School Programs, Community Centers, Workforce Programs, School Readiness and Tutoring Programs, Educational Enrichment Programs, Art Programs, Child Advocacy Centers, Financial Literacy, Internships, Mentors |
| <b>Material Basics</b>       | Poverty Services, Financial Aid Services, Child Care Services, Housing Services, Food Services, Community Centers   |
| <b>Safety</b>                | Foster Care Providers Public Safety Programs, Child Welfare Organizations, Wrap-Around Services, Trauma Teams, Violence Prevention Programs   |
| <b>Family/ Relationships</b> | Mentoring Programs, Family Counseling Programs, Strategic Parenting, Bereavement Programs, Bullying Prevention Programs, Dispute Resolution Programs, Home Visiting Programs, Faith-Based Organizations   |
| <b>Mental Health</b>         | Mental Health Services, Counseling Centers, Coordinated Care for Children, Behavioral Health Services, Community Health Centers   |
| <b>Physical Health</b>       | Services for Children, Hospitals, Parks, Substance Abuse Treatment Services, Drug Prevention Programs, Eating Disorder Treatment Programs, Community Health Centers, Recreation Centers, Wholistic Services   |

# Community Outreach and Asset Mapping

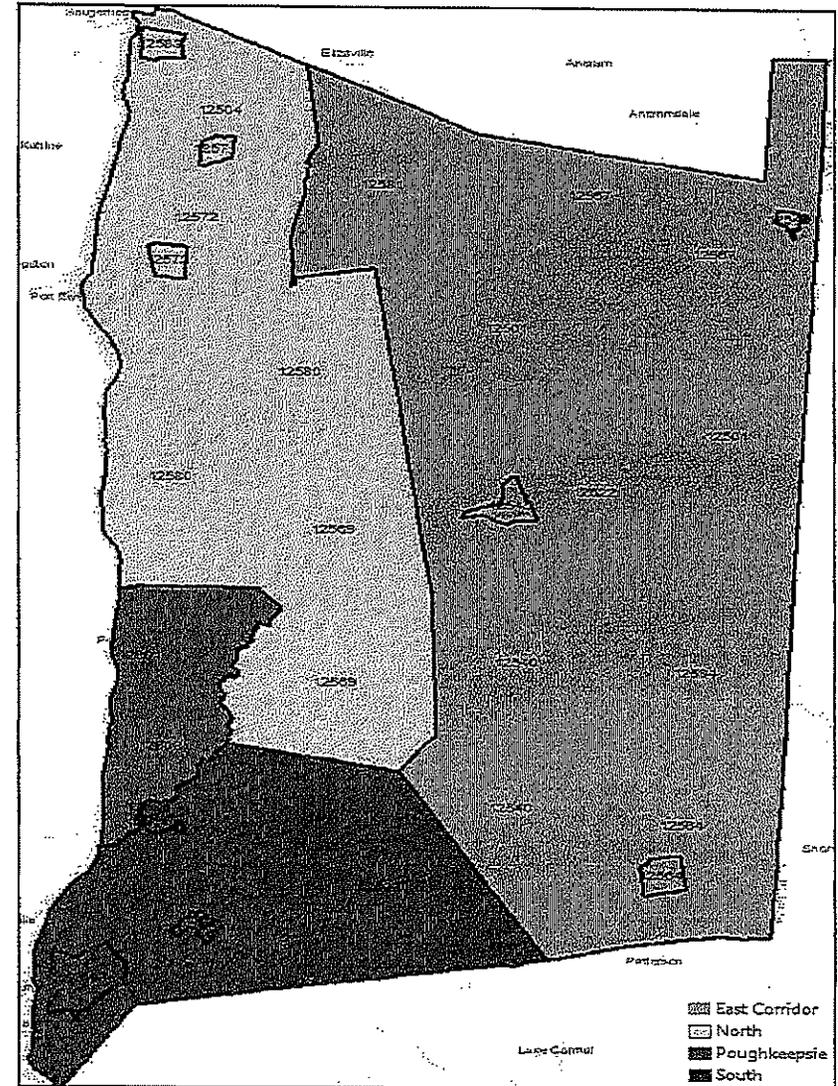
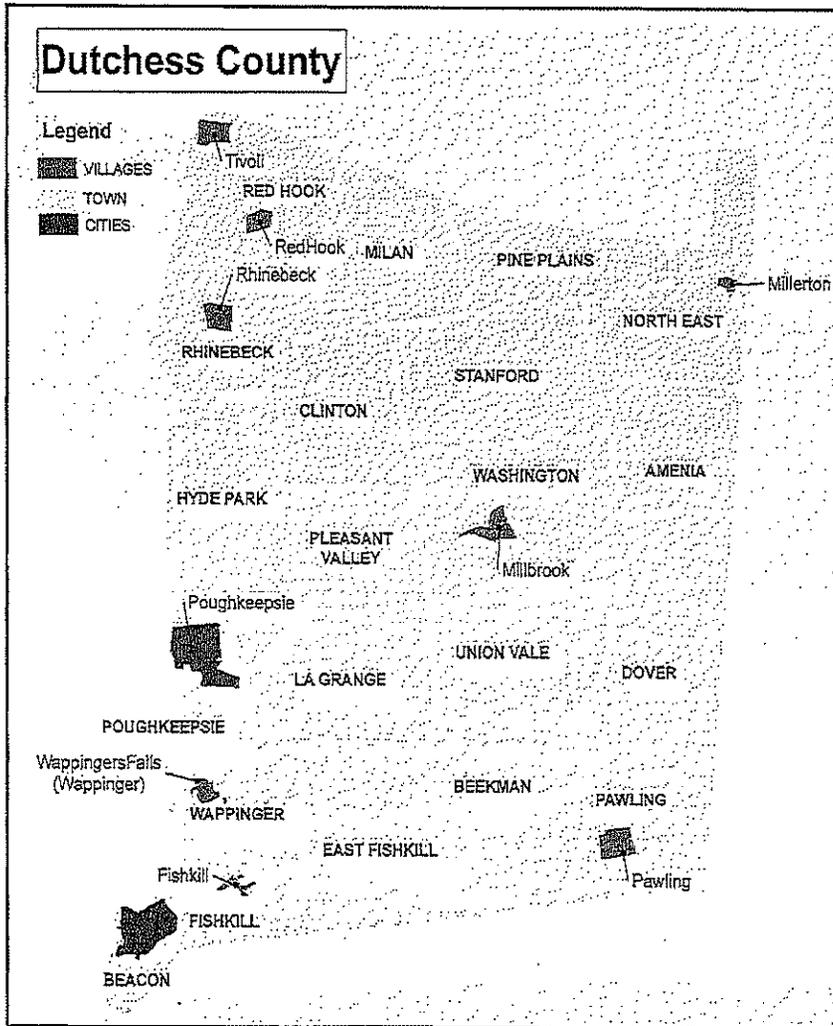
# Asset Mapping

| Region               | Youth Population | Municipalities  |
|----------------------|------------------|---|
| East Corridor        | 11,711           | Milan, Pine Plains, Stanford, North East, Millerton, Washington, Millbrook, Amenia, Union Vale, Dover, Beekman, Pawling |
| North                | 10,949           | Tivoli, Red Hook, Rhinebeck, Hyde Park, Clinton, La Grange, Pleasant Valley   |
| Greater Poughkeepsie | 18,287           | Poughkeepsie (City and Town)  |
| South                | 20,581           | Beacon, Fishkill, East Fishkill, Wappinger  |



Source: U.S Census Bureau; American Factfinder; June 2018; PCG analysis

# Dutchess County Mapping Geographic Considerations



## Greater Poughkeepsie

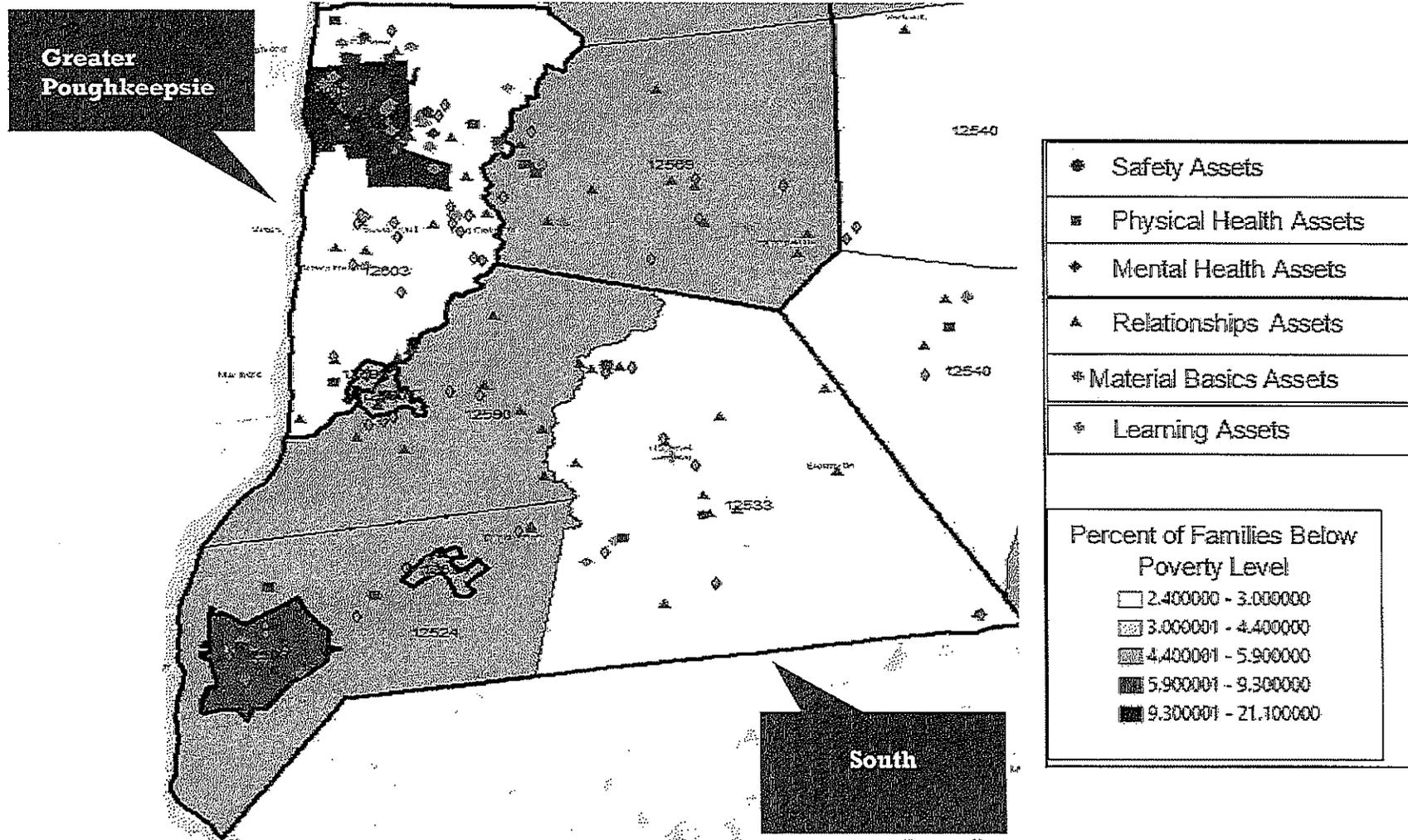
## South

## North

## East Corridor

|   | 166    | 99      | 83     | 90     |
|---|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Total Number of Assets                                | 86,142 | 102,548 | 62,088 | 54,985 |
| Total Population                                      | 18,287 | 20,581  | 10,949 | 11,711 |
| Total Youth Population                                | 90.8   | 48.1    | 75.8   | 76.5   |
| Assets Per 10,000 Children                            | 13.5 % | 13 %    | 14 %   | 13.9 % |
| Percent of Population with a Disability               | 10.2 % | 5.2 %   | 4 %    | 4.8 %  |
| Percent of Families Below the Poverty Line            | 86.5 % | 91 %    | 91.8 % | 90.5 % |
| Percent of Adults with a High School Degree or Higher | 4.1 %  | 3.9 %   | 1.2 %  | 2.2 %  |
| Percent of Limited English Speaking Households        | 9.5 %  | 7.2 %   | 5.9 %  | 6.7 %  |
| Unemployment Rate Among Population 16 Years and Over  |        |         |        |        |

# Map of Poughkeepsie and South Regions



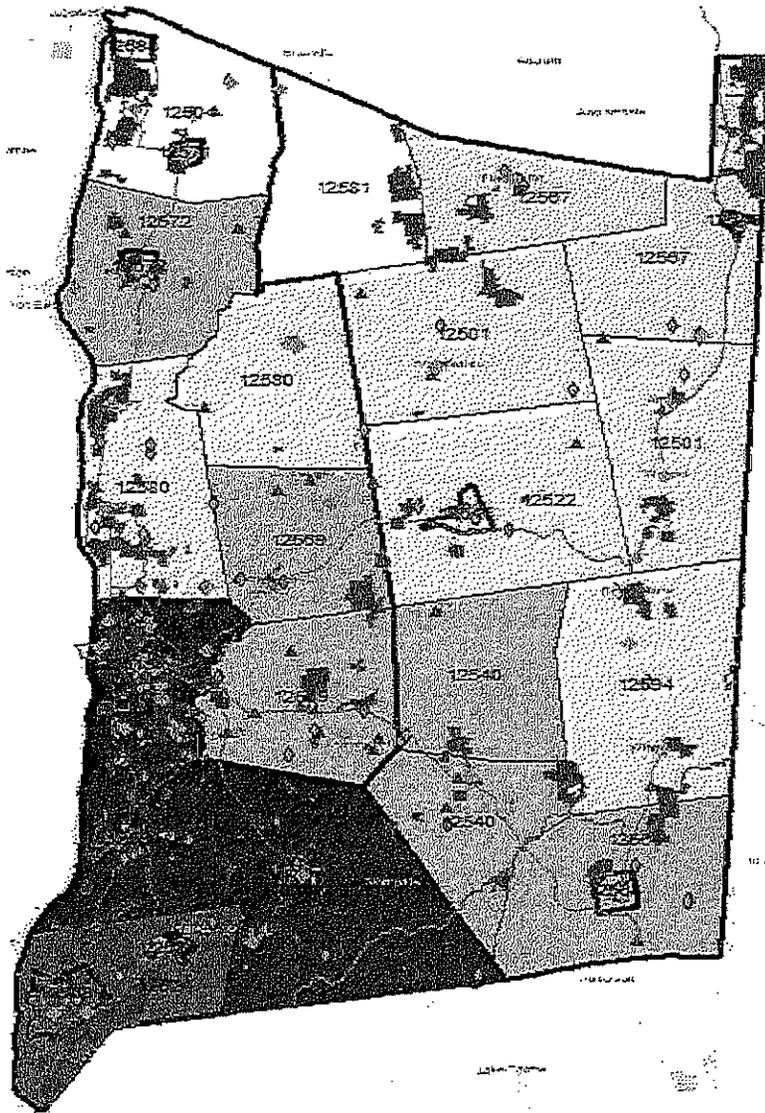
Source: County data; PCG analysis

# Assets and Population in Poughkeepsie and South Regions

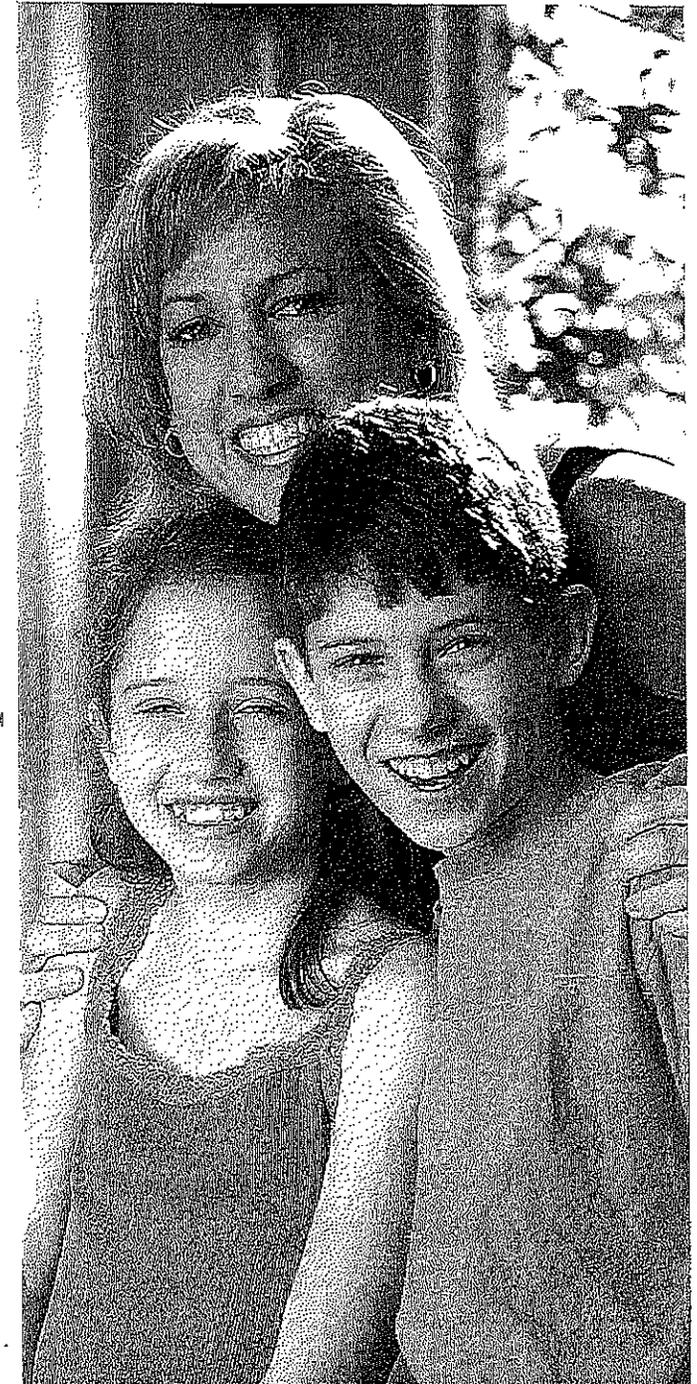
|  | Greater Poughkeepsie | City of Poughkeepsie | South Dutchess | Beacon |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------|
| <b>Total Number of Physical Assets</b>     | 166                  | 103                  | 99             | 30     |
| <b>Total Population</b>                    | 86,142               | 30,614               | 102,548        | 14,289 |
| <b>Total Youth Population (Ages 0-19)</b>  | 18,287               | 7,358                | 20,581         | 2,743  |
| <b>Physical Assets Per 10,000 Children</b> | 90.8                 | 139.9                | 48.1           | 109.4  |

Source: U.S Census Bureau; American Factfinder; October 2018; PCG analysis.

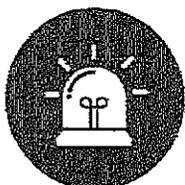
# County Physical Asset Map



|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                               | Parks                         |
|                               | Public Transit Routes         |
|                               | Safety Assets                 |
|                               | Physical Health Assets        |
|                               | Mental Health Assets          |
|                               | Relationships Assets          |
|                               | Material Basics Assets        |
|                               | Learning Assets               |
| <b>Total Youth Population</b> |                               |
|                               | 17,000,000 - 516,000,000      |
|                               | 516,000,001 - 998,000,000     |
|                               | 998,000,001 - 2,218,000,000   |
|                               | 2,218,000,001 - 3,413,000,000 |
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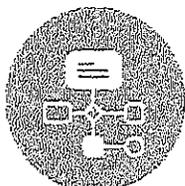


# Phase 6: Recommendations and Report



## **Vision and Desired Future State**

What the future looks like if the implementation of plans are successful



## **Major Initiatives**

Defining and prioritizing work that will improve the organization or services provided



## **Deliverable/Action Items**

Key deliverables/action items, who will be responsible for leading implementation efforts, and timeframes/major milestones



## **Performance Measures and Governance**

Monitoring progress, impact, and lessons learned



## **Communication Plan**

Process by which key messages will be communicated; to whom, and by when



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## What we do ...

24-hour telephone hotline  
Crisis intervention  
Emotional support  
Advocacy  
Information and referrals

### Advocacy

24-hour assistance to victims of violence, including safety planning and accompaniment to medical (including sexual assault exams), court, housing, legal, and social services, as well as assistance with filing compensation claims with the NYS Office of Victim Services.

### Counseling

Educational and therapeutic counseling to victims and secondary victims of violence and crime. Services are provided in individual sessions and/or support groups.

### Children Services

Individual therapy, therapeutic play, and direct services for children and adolescents who are victims or secondary victims of violence and crime.

### Community Outreach/Volunteer and Student Intern Program

Opportunities for education of community members, volunteers, and field placement for students. Volunteers must be certified through an approved NYS Department of Health 40-hour training program for certification as Rape Crisis Counselors.

## Contact us

### 24-hour hotlines

Rape crisis & crime victims

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Domestic violence

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Center for Victim Safety and Support

29 North Hamilton Street  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

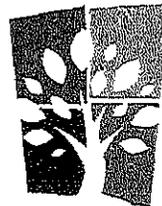
Non-emergency scheduling

845.452.1110, ext. 3083

TTY: 845.790.5919

Fax: 845.452.7298

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# Family Services

Providing Hope. Improving Lives. Strengthening Community.

This program partially funded by:

The County of Dutchess

New York State Office of Victim Services

New York State Department of Health

New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services

New York State Office of Children and Family Services



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# Center for Victim Safety and Support



Previously the Crime Victims Assistance & Domestic Violence Services Program  
Specializing in domestic violence, sexual assault, and crime victim services

## 24-hour hotlines

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Domestic violence

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All services are

- FREE
- Accessible
- Confidential

**Help Is Available  
You are not alone...**

**Emotional, psychological, and/or  
financial abuse**

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**Isolation**

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**Stalking**

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**Physical violence**

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**Threatening and/or controlling  
behavior**

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**Domestic violence or dating  
violence**

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**Rape (including: marital,  
acquaintance, date)**

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**Incest**

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**Sexual abuse and molestation**

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**Harassment**

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**Other crimes including but not  
limited to stalking, homicide,  
robbery, elder abuse, and human  
trafficking**

**We are here to listen  
24 hours a day**

The Family Services' Center for Victim Safety and Support assists individuals and families through a variety of direct services and collaborative community responses for victims and secondary victims of:

- Domestic/Dating Violence
- Sexual Assault/Abuse
- Other crimes including but not limited to stalking, homicide, robbery, elder abuse, and human trafficking

*"I do not know what would have happened in my situation without the support and advocacy of the staff. The therapy was a life changer and settled most of my fears, flashbacks and nightmares after the assault. Life has drastically improved thanks to the services I received."*

*-Survivor of Sexual Assault*

*"The support and understanding I received was so beneficial that words can't describe. The people I worked with were great! Having support at court really reduces the anxiety and helps one think clearly."*

*-Survivor of Domestic Violence*

**As a victim you have  
the right to be...**

**INFORMED** by law enforcement officers about local services.

**SUPPORTED** by an advocate throughout the criminal justice process.

**PROTECTED** from threats or intimidation from the suspect or the suspect's family.

**NOTIFIED** by the District Attorney about certain steps in your case.

For more information about your rights you can also contact the  
New York State Office of Victim Services  
at 800.247.8035  
or visit the web at [www.ovs.ny.gov](http://www.ovs.ny.gov)



All our services are:

FREE  
ACCESSIBLE  
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The Center for Victim Safety and Support serves people of all racial/cultural backgrounds, religions, sexual orientations (lesbian, gay, bisexual, heterosexual), gender identities (men, women, transgender people), abilities, citizenship status and ages.  
Services are also available in Spanish.

Universal Response  
to Domestic Violence

# Dutchess County High Risk Response Team

## **5 Year Outcomes Report**

*July 1, 2012- June 30, 2017*

# How Did This Start?

## LINDA'S STORY

On July 29, 2010, Linda Riccardulli was murdered by her estranged husband, Anthony Riccardulli. He then killed himself. At the time, he was the subject of a Full Order of Protection that had been issued following his arrest for an incident that occurred on June 27, 2010, in which he committed a series of criminal acts that included striking Linda with a metal bar and threatening her with a gun. Linda was notified when he was released from custody. When he murdered her, he had only been out of jail for 32 hours.<sup>1</sup> Linda was a mother of 3, who had celebrated her 47th birthday only days earlier.

Subsequent to this tragedy, there were an additional 4 domestic violence homicides in a 2 year period in Dutchess County, reinforcing the need for a homicide prevention program.

After these tragic homicides, the Dutchess County Legislature requested a report by the Citizen's Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence with recommendations to reduce domestic violence homicide. This became the foundation for the High Risk Response Team.

## A LOCAL VIEW:

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAGEDIES CONTINUE TO PLAGUE OUR COMMUNITY.

In 2016 there were **4351 incidents of domestic abuse** reported to police in Dutchess County, including lethal and near-lethal intimate partner tragedies.

## A NATIONAL VIEW:

### Victim Safety is Public Safety.

According to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, over the last few years, many mass shootings have one striking commonality; perpetrators with a history of domestic violence. Research shows that the majority of mass shootings are directly related to family violence, with intended targets being either family members or intimate partners. In instances when a family member or intimate partner is not directly targeted, the murderer is most often a domestic violence abuser. While the media may commonly report on these murderers as individuals suffering from mental health issues or as individuals in crisis, it is critical to acknowledge their link to domestic violence.<sup>2</sup>

# Introduction

## Dutchess County High Risk Response Team

The Dutchess County High Risk Response Team is an evidence-based program created in response to 5 intimate partner homicides over two years in Dutchess County. It is essential to the community to have a collaborative understanding of the potential lethality that exists within high risk domestic violence cases.

The High Risk Response Team is a multidisciplinary group of local professionals that identifies and addresses the most serious and potentially lethal cases of domestic violence in the county. The team aims to reduce lethality and prevent homicide by early identification of high risk offenders through use of danger assessments and a multi-disciplinary response to high risk cases. The team, made up of core agencies in the community, meets on a monthly basis to develop and discuss intervention plans for high risk cases. Other relevant agencies are invited to monthly meetings based upon need.

### The team has three main goals:

1. Enhancing the system's response
2. Increasing victim safety
3. Increasing offender accountability

### Some of the risk factors measured include:

- Stalking
- Threats with a weapon
- Increased/escalating violence
  - Strangulation
  - Forced sex
  - Threats to kill
- Recent separations

The model for this team is based off of the Greater Newburyport High Risk Response Team founded by the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center in Newburyport, Massachusetts. Where applicable throughout this report comparison data is used from the Greater Newburyport High Risk Team. The model is based on the research of Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell, a leader in the study of intimate partner homicides. Dr. Campbell's work produced a method called "The Danger Assessment," to measure the level of lethality for domestic violence victims by identifying risk factors for intimate partner homicide. Using the information from Dr. Campbell's study as the foundation, the team develops specific intervention plans with the goal of interrupting the cycle of violence, reducing lethality, and reducing the risk of further abuse. **According to Dr. Campbell's work, 83% of victims, perpetrators, or both parties, have contact with the criminal justice system, victim service programs, and/or health care agencies in the year prior to homicide.**<sup>3</sup>

By increasing the monitoring of high risk offenders and the sharing of information with the multi-disciplinary team, cases that are identified to be potentially lethal are comprehensively and strategically addressed within the system. These interventions are vital to the prevention of domestic violence homicides.

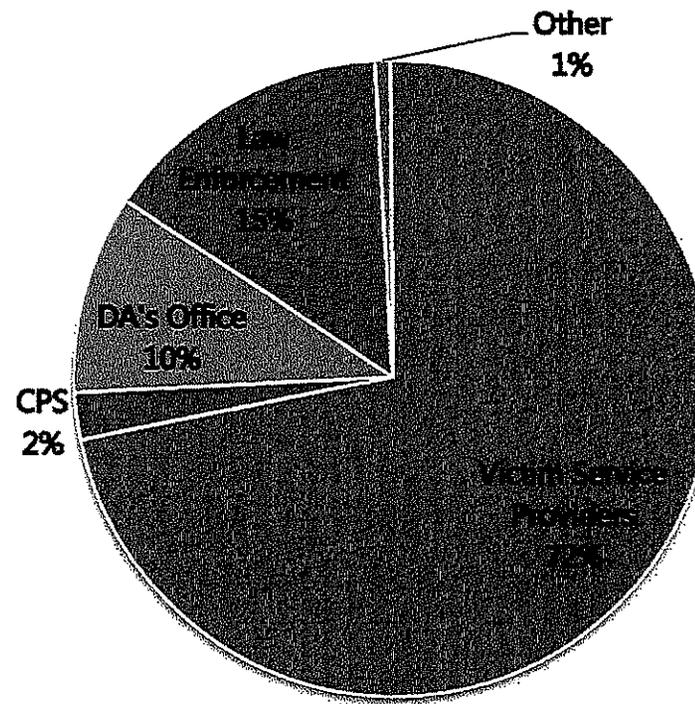
## HOW DO CASES GET TO THE TEAM?

Referrals to the High Risk Response Team come from many different areas of the system, including victim services, law enforcement and criminal justice agencies, and child welfare agencies, demonstrating the value of system-wide training to increase identification of high risk cases.

### Referral Sources for High Risk Cases (N=128):

- 72% (92) from Victim Service Providers
- 15% (19) from local Law Enforcement Agencies
- 10% (13) from the District Attorney's Office (DA)
- 2% (3) from Child Protective Services (CPS)
- 1% (1) from Other

### Case Referral Source (N=128)



# Lethality Assessment Program

## The Numbers

The success of the LAP is demonstrated by victims who remain engaged in protective victim services, enhancing their safety and reducing the risk factors that lead to homicide. The most notable statistic in Dutchess County between May 2014 and June 2017 is **71% of victims who spoke with Family Services on scene after being identified by law enforcement as high risk, received additional services after the incident to help increase their safety. The average for the state of Maryland is 31%.<sup>6</sup>**

Research shows that, in the year prior to homicide, more than 44% of abusers were arrested, and almost one-third of victims contacted the police. These contacts demonstrate missed opportunities to identify victims in danger of being killed by their intimate partners. Alternatively, only 4% of abused victims had used a domestic violence hotline or shelter within the year prior to being killed by an intimate partner. This statistic shows that victims who need the most help aren't self-initiating contact with domestic violence-specific resources. They do, however, come in contact much more often with law enforcement. The LAP capitalizes on the contact that law enforcement has with victims in danger of intimate partner homicide, and connects them to local resources. Once victims in danger of being killed by an intimate partner engage with domestic violence services, their risk of re-assault diminishes greatly.<sup>4</sup>

The statistics in Dutchess County are reflective of strong partnership and collaboration between service providers and law enforcement. Through the LAP, victims have increased their trust in the system, feel supported, and understand that victim service providers and law enforcement are working as a team to enhance their safety.

### From May 2014 to June 2017:

- **3928** Lethality Screens have been completed
- **49%** of screens resulted in victims being identified as high risk (the average for the state of Maryland is 33%)<sup>6</sup>
- **59%** of the victims who were identified as high risk spoke with Family Services on the scene of a domestic violence incident (the average for the state of Maryland is 31%)<sup>6</sup>

As of December 2017, **11 out of 15** law enforcement departments are involved in the LAP. This is a **33%** increase from the 3 Year Outcomes Report.

#### The partnering departments are:

- The Dutchess County Sheriff's Office
- The New York State Police
- The City of Poughkeepsie Police Department
- The Town of Poughkeepsie Police Department
- The Town of Hyde Park Police Department
- The City of Beacon Police Department (implementation date September 2017)
- The Town of East Fishkill Police Department
- The Town of Fishkill Police Department
- The Village of Fishkill Police Department
- The Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department
- The Town of Pine Plains Police Department (implementation date: December 2017)

**Goal:**

Increasing Victim Safety

**100% (128) OF VICTIMS IDENTIFIED AS HIGH RISK FOR LETHALITY BY THE TEAM HAD INTERVENTIONS COMPLETED BY THE DUTCHESS COUNTY HIGH RISK RESPONSE TEAM.**

Interventions may include a variety of action steps assigned to members of the multi-disciplinary team. For example, checking the status of a pistol permit and beginning the process of revocation, the prosecutors and probation requesting a mental health evaluation in court for an offender, strategizing about the time of day that probation will visit the offender's home, the police and prosecutors considering additional criminal charges when relevant, service providers beginning the process of relocation for a victim, the police and probation creating a procedure to improve safety during visitation exchanges, etc. Action steps are distributed and monitored by the High Risk Case Manager.

**98% (126) OF VICTIMS IDENTIFIED AS HIGH RISK FOR LETHALITY BY THE TEAM COMPLETED A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY PLAN WITH ADVOCATES FROM FAMILY SERVICES OR GRACE SMITH HOUSE.**

*(Compared to 91% in the Greater Newburyport Domestic Violence High Risk Team Safety and Accountability Report 2005-2013)<sup>5</sup>*

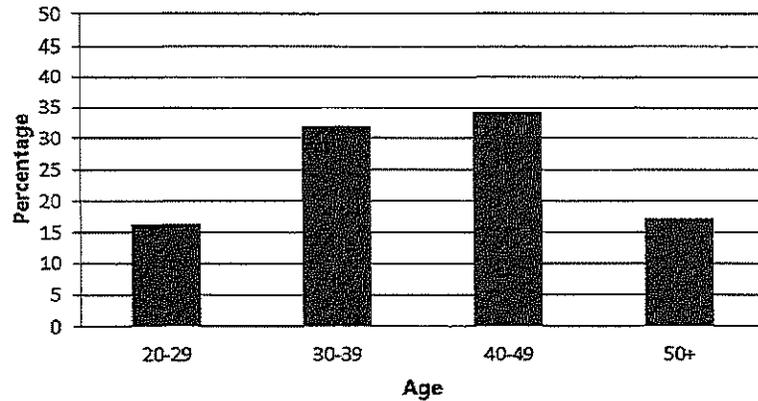
Once victims in danger of being killed by an intimate partner engage with domestic violence services, their risk of re-assault diminishes greatly. <sup>4</sup>



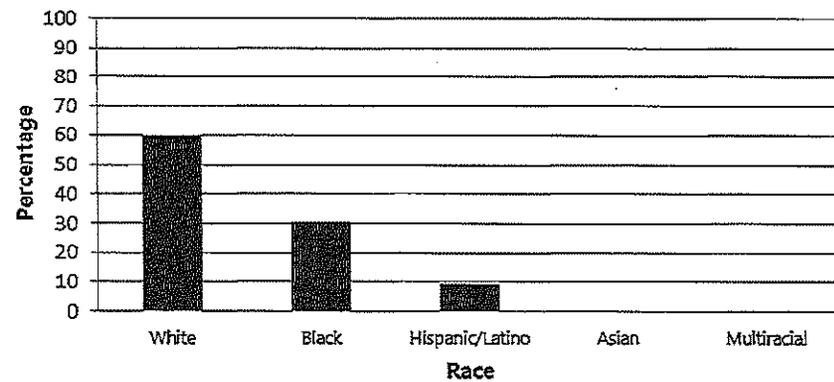
# The Data

# Demographics con't

**Offender Age (N=128):** [16%, 32%, 35%, 17%]



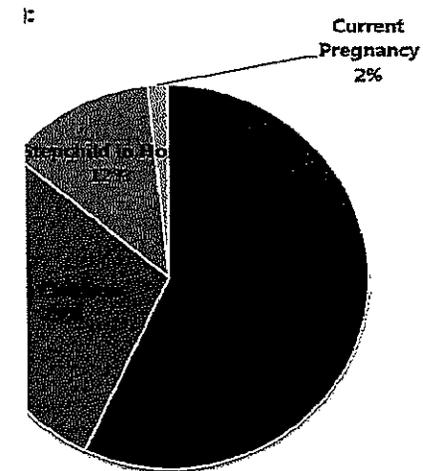
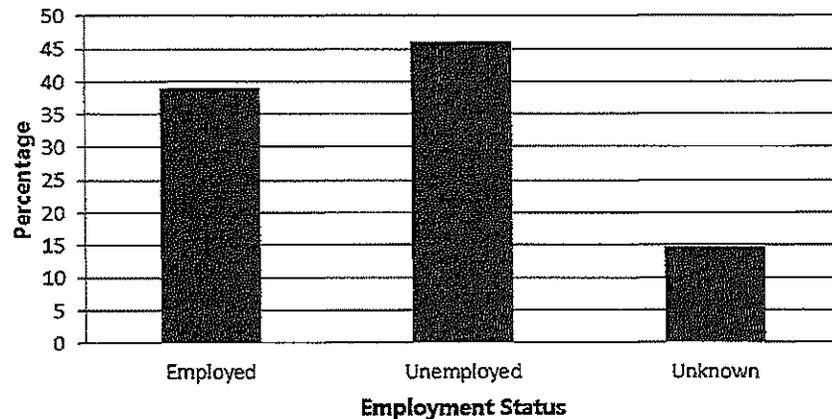
**Offender Race (N=128):** [60%, 31%, 9%, 0%, 0%]



Dr. Campbell's study indicates that **unemployment** is the most important risk factor for intimate partner homicide. Instances where an abuser had a college degree or was looking for work were protective factors against homicide.<sup>3</sup>

Dr. Campbell's study revealed that in 19% of intimate partner homicides, the children in the relationship were also killed. In particular, risk of homicide is more than doubled when there is a stepchild living in the home.<sup>3</sup>

**Offender Employment Status (N=128):** [39%, 46%, 15%]



# Offender Accountability

## Goal:

Increasing Offender Accountability

According to Dr. Campbell's research, for every intimate partner homicide, there is an average of nine non-lethal assaults, allowing an opportunity for the system to intervene and interrupt the cycle of escalating violence.<sup>3</sup>

**In particular, the pre-trial phase, the time between an offender's arrest and sentencing, is known to be the most dangerous time for a victim of domestic violence, especially if the couple has separated during that time.**

**To truly impact victim safety, increased monitoring of offenders is critical during this time frame.**

The criminal justice system can increase victim safety by enforcing conditions that will monitor offenders post-arraignment. Setting bail for the offender, incarcerating or remanding the offender to jail, placing the offender on electronic monitoring, or releasing the offender under the supervision of probation are all protective actions for the victim. The judge can also release the offender on their own recognizance or issue the offender an appearance ticket, both of which can negatively impact the safety of the victim and the community. Protective interventions should be used to hold offenders accountable throughout their involvement with the criminal justice system to interrupt the escalating cycle of violence that leads to homicide.

**Of the 128 cases conferenced and accepted by the High Risk Response Team during the 5 year period,**

- **81% (104)** of offenders were prosecuted by the criminal justice system for one or more domestic violence charges *(Compared to 74% in the Greater Newburyport Domestic Violence High Risk Team Safety and Accountability Report 2005-2013)*<sup>5</sup>
- **57% (59)** of offenders were charged with multiple incidents of domestic violence criminal offenses resulting in **199** criminal cases.



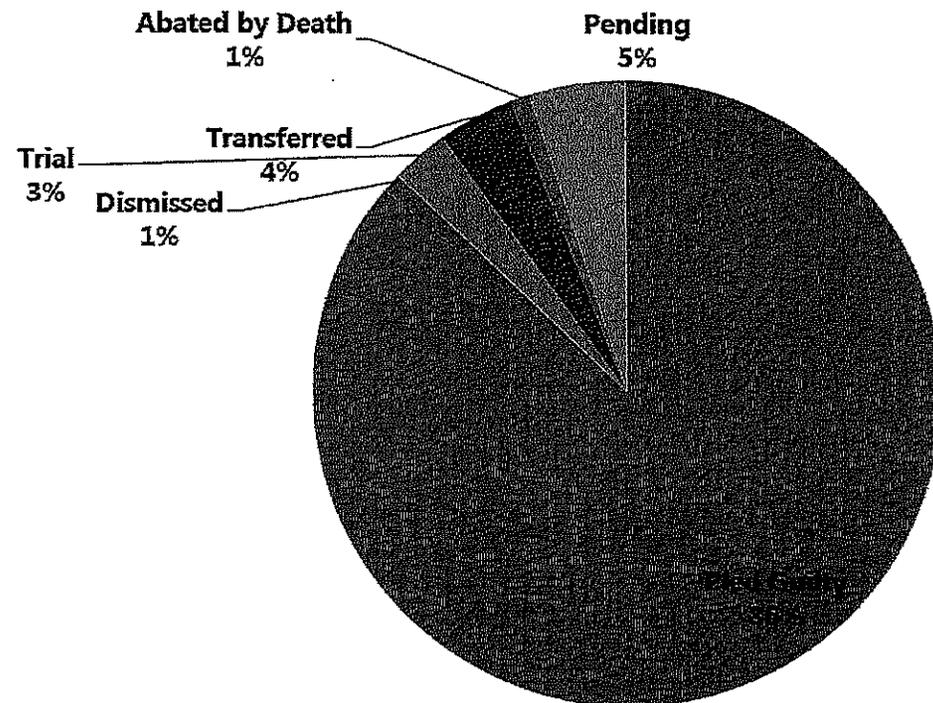
# Offender Accountability

## Dispositions of Criminal Justice Interventions

### Dispositions of Criminal Justice Interventions:

Out of the **199** charged criminal cases:

- **109** guilty pleas were entered-covering **173** cases (**86%**)  
(Compared to 78% in the Greater Newburyport Domestic Violence High Risk Team Safety and Accountability Report 2005-2013)<sup>5</sup>
- **1** (<**1%**) case was dismissed  
(Compared to 14% in the Greater Newburyport Domestic Violence High Risk Team Safety and Accountability Report 2005-2013)<sup>5</sup>
- **5** (**3%**) cases went to trial
- **8** (**4%**) cases were transferred to a different jurisdiction
- **2** (**1%**) cases were abated by death
- **10** (**5%**) cases are currently pending



# Offender Accountability

## Analysis of Sentenced Charges

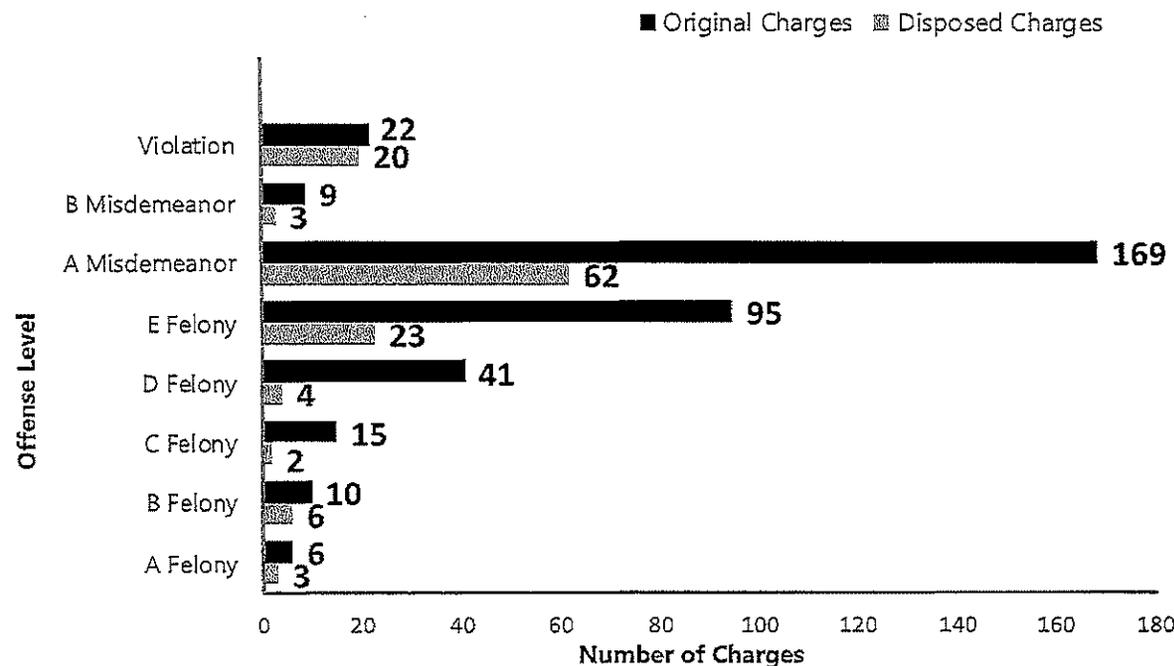
### Goal:

Enhance Systems Response to High Risk Victims

Out of 365 original charges pressed 125 charges were disposed.

The difference between the number of original charges and the number of disposed charges is due in large part to plea bargaining. A plea bargain is a negotiation between a defendant and a prosecuting attorney which typically results in a defendant receiving a lesser charge in exchange for a guilty plea.

Original Charges (N=365) and Disposed Charges (N=125)\*



### Some examples include:

#### Original Charge:

Assault 2nd (D Felony),  
Criminal Contempt 1st (E Felony),  
Endangering the Welfare of A Child  
(A Misdemeanor),  
Assault 3rd (A Misdemeanor)

#### Disposed Charge:

Criminal Contempt 2nd  
(A Misdemeanor)

#### Original Charge:

Criminal Obstruction of Breathing  
(A Misdemeanor),  
Assault 3rd (A Misdemeanor)

#### Disposed Charge:

Disorderly Conduct (Violation)

The full list of original charges with disposition and sentences is contained in the appendix.

\*Multiple offenders were charged with more than one offense.

### RECOMMENDATION #2

#### **Increase Offender Accountability: Enhance New York State Bail Laws**

In 5 years, offenders had bail set  
**66%** of the time at first arrest and  
**68%** of time at subsequent arrests.

To truly impact victim safety, increasing monitoring of offenders during the pre-trial phase is critical. Currently, NYS law allows judges to consider a number of factors when determining bail including but not limited to the defendant's character, reputation, habits and behavioral health, employment and financial resources, family ties and the length of residence in the community, criminal record, and previous record in responding to court appearances when required or with respect to flight to avoid criminal prosecution. When crimes are against a member or members of the same family or household the judge can also consider any violation by the defendant of an order of protection and the defendant's history of use or possession of a firearm.

It is recommended that NYS consider additional options to protect victims during the pre-trial phase. For example, Massachusetts law allows for a defendant to be held pre-trial through a 58A dangerousness hearing. The hearing allows for a defendant to be held based on a number of conditions, which when examined together the court determines makes the defendant too dangerous to release back into the community. According to Massachusetts law, the defendant can be held when there are conditions of the release that will jeopardize the safety of another individual or the community at large. Factors that may be considered include the nature and seriousness of the offense charged, the potential penalty that the defendant faces if convicted, the defendant's family ties, the defendant's employment record, whether or not the defendant has a history of mental illness, and the defendant's overall reputation. In addition, judges may look at the defendant's criminal record, whether or not the defendant is on probation or whether or not the defendant has a history of substance-use disorders or substance-use related charges.

Exploring additional options to protect victims during the pre-trial phase would enhance the work of the High Risk Response Team by preserving victim safety, offender accountability, and enhancing the systems ability to protect high risk victims.

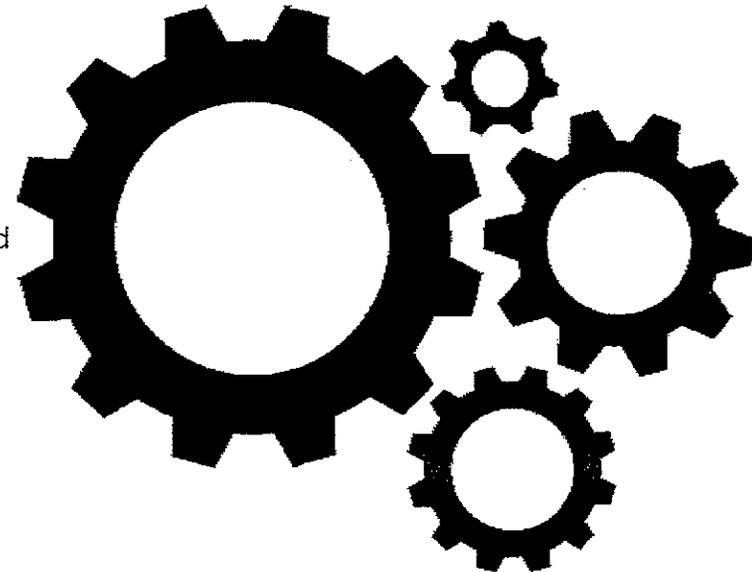
### RECOMMENDATION #5 Enhance Data Collection Methods

Data in this report is compiled from a variety of agencies and databases including records at the **Dutchess County District Attorney's Office**, the **Dutchess County Office of Probation and Community Corrections**, and local law enforcement agencies.

The collection and regular review of data outlining the impact of the High Risk Response Team is pertinent to optimizing the success and quality of the project. In order to continually enhance the High Risk Response Team, key stakeholders must regularly review outcomes such as the ones collected in this report.

Currently data is compiled and kept by the High Risk Case Manager from a variety of sources. As the number of cases under review has grown, the current system has become complex and difficult to manage. It is recommended that Dutchess County create a database for tracking of High Risk Response Team outcome data.

This would allow for access to pertinent data, regular review of data and outcomes, and enhancement to the quality of the data collected. Data will be used to provide feedback and suggestions to agencies and systems and enhance the High Risk Response Team's impact on the community.



# Appendix

## Original and Sentenced Charges with Dispositions

| ORIGINAL CHARGES   | DISPOSITION   | SENTENCE  |
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| AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE, ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> , VIOLATION OF PROBATION  | ATTEMPTED CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , VIOLATION OF PROBATION  | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, DOMESTIC ABUSE AWARENESS CLASSES, LIMITED ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE, CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT)<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> , AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3 <sup>RD</sup> , UNLAWFUL IMPRISONMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD, CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, PETIT LARCENY (2nd INCIDENT) | ATTEMPTED BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)   | 3 YRS PRISON, RESTITUTION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)                                     |
| CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)  | HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)   | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)   |
| ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> , CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING (1st INCIDENT), ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3 <sup>RD</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)   | ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  | 3 YRS PROBATION, RESTITUTION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)                              |
| CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)  | HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT) | 10 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, LIMITED ORDER OF PROTECTION (3rd INCIDENT), TIME SERVED (1st INCIDENT), TIME SERVED (2nd INCIDENT) |
| AGGRAVATED CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, DOMESTIC ABUSE AWARENESS CLASSES, LIMITED ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS)   | DISORDERLY CONDUCT  | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION   |
| BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)  | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  | 1 YR DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)                                 |
| ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  | 90 DAYS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)                                  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , FALSIFYING BUSINESS RECORDS 1 <sup>ST</sup>  | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , FALSIFYING BUSINESS RECORDS 1 <sup>ST</sup>   | 6 MOS ELECTRONIC MONITORING, 5 YRS PROBATION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 2 <sup>ND</sup>  | DISORDERLY CONDUCT  | INTERIM PROBATION   |

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| EAVESDROPPING, MENACING 3 <sup>RD</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)  | CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup><br>(COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)   | 60 DAYS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL TO SERVE<br>INTERMITTENTLY ON WKND'S, 3 YRS PROBATION, FULL ORDER<br>OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  |
| MENACING 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)  | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup><br>(COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1 & 2)       | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF<br>PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> , ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>  | 6 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, 5 YRS PROBATION,<br>RESTITUTION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , POSSESSION OF FORGED INSTRUMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL<br>CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT) | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)      | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, INTERIM PROBATION, FULL ORDER<br>OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  |
| CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 2 <sup>ND</sup> , STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | ADJOURNED IN CONTEMPLATION OF<br>DISMISSAL   | ADJOURNED IN CONTEMPLATION OF DISMISSAL, FULL ORDER<br>OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup>  | TIME SERVED, 3 YRS PROBATION, FULL ORDER OF<br>PROTECTION   |
| CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING   | UNLAWFUL IMPRISONMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup>  | FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL<br>CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)          | 6 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, 5 YRS PROBATION<br>(COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)   | ABATED BY DEATH  | ABATED BY DEATH   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup>  | 6 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3 <sup>RD</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>  | 6 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, 5 YRS PROBATION, FULL<br>ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>   | HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF WEAPON 3 <sup>RD</sup> , CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>  | 1.5-3 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup>  | 1.5-3 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (4th INCIDENT)                                     | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1, 2, 3 & 4) | 6 MOS ELECTRONIC MONITORING, 3 YRS PROBATION, TIME<br>SERVED DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, FULL ORDER OF<br>PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR<br>INCIDENTS 1, 2, 3 & 4) |
| STALKING 4 <sup>TH</sup> , AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)  | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)          | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF<br>PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |

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| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS) (1st INCIDENT),<br>STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup> , HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4TH (3rd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (4th INCIDENT) | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup><br>(1st INCIDENT), HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2ND<br>INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup><br>(COMBINED DISPOSITION<br>3 <sup>RD</sup> AND 4 <sup>TH</sup> INCIDENTS)   | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (1 <sup>ST</sup><br>INCIDENT), 90 DAYS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL (TIME SERVED),<br>LIMITED ORDER OF PROTECTION (2 <sup>ND</sup> INCIDENT), 14 DAYS<br>DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL TIME SERVED, 3 YRS PROBATION<br>(INCIDENTS 3 & 4) |
| RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ARSON 2 <sup>ND</sup> , MURDER 2 <sup>ND</sup> , ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> ,<br>ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> , ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD (1st INCIDENT),<br>AGGRAVATED HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)  | RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ARSON<br>2 <sup>ND</sup> , MURDER 2 <sup>ND</sup> , ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> ,<br>ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> , ENDANGERING THE<br>WELFARE OF A CHILD (1st INCIDENT)<br>ADJOURNED IN CONTEMPLATION OF<br>DISMISSAL (2nd INCIDENT) | 23 YRS + 7 YRS + 1 YR CONCURRENT, FULL ORDER OF<br>PROTECTION (1st INCIDENT), ADJOURNED IN<br>CONTEMPLATION OF DISMISSAL (2nd INCIDENT)   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , AGGRAVATED CRIMINAL CONTEMPT, BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> ,<br>BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , AGGRAVATED HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)                 | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  | 2-6 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION<br>(COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)   |
| ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL POSSESSION WEAPON 4TH (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING, ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> (2nd INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3 <sup>RD</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  | 3 YEARS PROBATION, DOMESTIC ABUSE AWARENESS<br>CLASSES, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION<br>(COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)  | ADJOURNED IN CONTEMPLATION OF<br>DISMISSAL (COMBINED DISPOSITION<br>FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)   | ADJOURNED IN CONTEMPLATION OF DISMISSAL,<br>LIMITED ORDER OF PROTECTION<br>(COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , VIOLATION OF PROBATION (2nd INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup><br>(1st INCIDENT), VIOLATION OF<br>PROBATION (2nd INCIDENT)  | 6 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL, 5 YRS PROBATION, FULL<br>ORDER OF PROTECTION (1st INCIDENT), 1-3 YEARS DUTCHESS<br>COUNTY JAIL (2nd INCIDENT)   |
| STALKING 3 <sup>RD</sup> (1st INCIDENT), STALKING 3 <sup>RD</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)   | HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED<br>DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION<br>(COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| WITNESS INTIMIDATION 3 <sup>RD</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>   | AGGRAVATED HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | 7 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL (TIME SERVED), FULL ORDER<br>OF PROTECTION   |
| BURGLARY 1 <sup>ST</sup> (2 COUNTS) CRIMINAL USE OF A FIREARM 1ST (2 COUNTS),<br>CRIMINAL POSSESSION WEAPON 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (2<br>COUNTS), ENDANGERING THE WELFARE OF A CHILD  | BURGLARY 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL POSSESSION<br>WEAPON 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | 10 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION   |
| STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>  | ATTEMPTED ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup>  | 1 YR PROBATION, RESTITUTION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (12 COUNTS)<br>(1st INCIDENT),<br>CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (2nd INCIDENT)   | AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (1st<br>INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup><br>(2nd INCIDENT)   | 2-4 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (1st INCIDENT),<br>7 MOS DUTCHESS COUNTY JAIL (2nd INCIDENT)   |

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| ORIGINAL CHARGES  | DISPOSITION   | SENTENCE   |
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| GRAND LARCENY 4 <sup>TH</sup> PETIT LARCENY, UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE 3 <sup>RD</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , DISORDERLY CONDUCT (1st INCIDENT), BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS), ASSAULT ON A PEACE OFFICER, POLICE, FIRE, OR EMS (2 COUNTS), RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT (2 COUNTS), ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (8 COUNTS), UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE 1 <sup>ST</sup> (2 COUNTS), STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS), GRAND LARCENY 4 <sup>TH</sup> , CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY 4 <sup>TH</sup> , UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE 2 <sup>ND</sup> , UNLAWFUL FLEEING OF AN OFFICER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE 2 <sup>ND</sup> , RESISTING ARREST (2 COUNTS) RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS) CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING (2 COUNTS), CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY 5 <sup>TH</sup> , PETIT LARCENY, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , ASSAULT 3 <sup>RD</sup> (2 COUNTS) (2nd INCIDENT) | STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS), GRAND LARCENY 4 <sup>TH</sup> , PETIT LARCENY, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 4 <sup>TH</sup> , BURGLARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> , CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY 4 <sup>TH</sup> , UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE 2 <sup>ND</sup> , UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY 5 <sup>TH</sup> , UNLAWFUL FLEEING OF AN OFFICER IN A MOTOR VEHICLE 2 <sup>ND</sup> , RESISTING ARREST, RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , ASSAULT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (4 COUNTS), ASSAULT ON A PEACE OFFICER, POLICE, FIRE, OR EMS (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2) | 15 YEARS PRISON, 3 YEARS POST RELEASE SUPERVISION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE, CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (4 COUNTS), FALSE PERSONATION, CRIMINAL POSSESSION CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE 7 <sup>TH</sup> (1st INCIDENT), AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (2 COUNTS), FALSE PERSONATION (2nd INCIDENT)   | AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  | 1.5-3 YRS PRISON ON EACH COUNT CONCURRENT, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2)  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3 <sup>RD</sup> , CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3 COUNTS) (3rd INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  | 3 YEARS PROBATION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1, 2, & 3)  |
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| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2 COUNTS) (3rd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (4th INCIDENT)   | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION INCIDENTS 1 & 2), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION INCIDENTS 3 & 4)  | 3 YRS PROBATION TO RUN CONCURRENT ON EACH COUNT, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE INCIDENTS 1 & 2), 3 YEARS PROBATION (COMBINED SENTENCE INCIDENTS 3 & 4) |
| STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup> , UNLAWFUL IMPRISONMENT 1 <sup>ST</sup>   | STRANGULATION 2 <sup>ND</sup>   | 4 YRS PRISON, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION   |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (3rd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 1 <sup>ST</sup> , AGGRAVATED FAMILY OFFENSE (4TH INCIDENT)  | CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (COMBINED DISPOSITION 1st & 2nd INCIDENTS)  | TIME SERVED AND 3 YEARS PROBATION, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE INCIDENTS 1 & 2), (3rd & 4th INCIDENTS PENDING)                                       |
| MENACING 2 <sup>ND</sup> , HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup>  | DISORDERLY CONDUCT  | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION  |
| CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (1st INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (2nd INCIDENT), CRIMINAL CONTEMPT 2 <sup>ND</sup> , HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)  | DISORDERLY CONDUCT (COMBINED DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2) HARRASSMENT 2 <sup>ND</sup> (3rd INCIDENT)  | CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (COMBINED SENTENCE FOR INCIDENTS 1 & 2) CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE, FULL ORDER OF PROTECTION (3rd INCIDENT)               |

# Appendix

## New York State Law Levels of Penal Law Offenses

| Charges  | Offense Level |
|--|---------------|
| Disorderly Conduct<br>Harassment 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Trespass   | Violation     |
| Attempted Assault 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Attempted Criminal Mischief 4 <sup>th</sup><br>False Personation<br>Reckless Endangerment Property<br>Stalking 4 <sup>th</sup>  | B Misdemeanor |
| Aggravated Harassment 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Assault 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Criminal Contempt 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Criminal Mischief 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Criminal Obstruction of Breathing<br>Criminal Possession of a Control Substance 7 <sup>th</sup><br>Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 5 <sup>th</sup><br>Criminal Trespassing 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Endangering the Welfare of a Child<br>Falsifying Business Records 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Menacing 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Petit Larceny<br>Reckless Endangerment 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Resisting Arrest<br>Sexual Misconduct<br>Stalking 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Unlawful Imprisonment 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Violation of Probation | A Misdemeanor |
| Aggravated Family Offense<br>Attempted Assault 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Criminal Contempt 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Criminal Mischief 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Eavesdropping<br>Grand Larceny 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Intimidating a Victim/Witness 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Unlawful Fleeing a Police Officer in a Motor Vehicle 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Unlawful Imprisonment 1 <sup>st</sup>  | E Felony      |

| Charges  | Offense Level |
|--|---------------|
| Aggravated Criminal Contempt<br>Assault 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Attempted Burglary 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Burglary 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Coercion 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Criminal Mischief 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Grand Larceny 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Reckless Endangerment 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Robbery 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Strangulation 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle 1 <sup>st</sup> | D Felony      |
| Assault on Peace Officer, Police Officer, Fire, or EMS<br>Burglary 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Strangulation 1 <sup>st</sup>   | C Felony      |
| Arson 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>Assault 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Burglary 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Criminal Use of a Firearm 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Kidnapping 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | B Felony      |
| Aggravated Murder<br>Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Kidnapping 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Murder 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Murder 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | A Felony      |



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On behalf of Family Services' Center for Victim Safety and Support, it is our pleasure to present to you the Dutchess County High Risk Response Team 5 Year Outcomes Report. While all domestic violence is dangerous, the High Risk Response Team intervenes in those cases that are at the *highest* risk for homicide in Dutchess County.

The High Risk Response Team has 3 goals: to enhance victim safety, increase offender accountability, and enhance the systems response to high risk cases. Those goals are achieved through a multi-disciplinary effort with oversight by the Universal Response to Domestic Violence Steering Committee.

From July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017, **128** victims were served by the High Risk Response Team. The following report provides details regarding the function and goals of the High Risk Response Team, an overview of cases served, and details regarding criminal justice interventions for high risk cases. The report also includes several recommendations to enhance victim safety, increase offender accountability, and enhance the systems response to high risk cases.

**Recommendation 1:** Enhance the system's ability to protect high risk victims by considering evidence-based prosecution

**Recommendation 2:** Increase offender accountability by enhancing New York State bail laws

**Recommendation 3:** Increase victim safety by enhancing resources for victim services

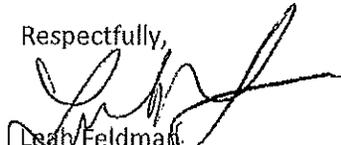
**Recommendation 4:** Continue training in best practices and evidence-based programming

**Recommendation 5:** Enhance data collection methods

Domestic violence greatly impacts public safety in Dutchess County. Your dedication and commitment to responding to and preventing domestic violence has, undoubtedly, made a widespread impact on this community. With your support, Dutchess County has created the most comprehensive homicide prevention program in New York State.

Thank you for your support in implementation of best practices to enhance public safety as we work as a community to combat domestic violence.

Respectfully,

  
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