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FCSFL set to implement Geneva Resiliency Center

Family Counseling Services of the Finger Lakes (FCSFL) is pleased to announce the launch of the Geneva Resiliency Center (GRC) in our community. The GRC will impact social, economic and physical conditions in the areas of the community that people live, work, play, learn, worship and grow by using a model of trauma informed care principles impacting a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes. The idea of the GRC will be to support the work of many organizations in the Geneva community to change the landscape of opportunities for individuals, children, families and communities.

The GRC was first proposed by FCSFL in the Geneva Downtown Revitalization Initiatives two years ago. The GRC proposal gained significant community support and was the only proposal that focused on the Social Determinants of Health that significantly impact many people in this community. Though it was one of the proposals submitted to the governor's office, it was not awarded funding, much to the community's dismay.

Fortunately, it did not stop there and FCSFL continued their pursuit of funding and were recently awarded a grant from the Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS) Transformation Fund to make GRC a reality. This year will be connecting efforts in the community for the development of a plan that identifies area resources focused on shared goals of overall community health and wellness.

Here are just a few key components that GRC will look to build on:

- Trauma-informed care training for all service providers aligned with the GRC
- Implementation of a Food Pantry using local farmers and resources
- Creating other community giving opportunities through donations
- A community Job and Housing board to identify employment and housing needs in the community
- Collaboration with the student body at GCSD and giving our youth a voice
- Volunteering Opportunities including a variety of tasks to help change our community for the better
- A website that includes a Community Calendar and local news
- Networking opportunities for organizations and citizens of Geneva

The GRC will be a community-based, community voiced and community-driven initiative that integrates private and not-for-profit sector partners working together through a trauma-informed lens to bring awareness, support services, advocacy, training and jobs in a collaborative way.

If you have interest in learning more about the GRC or how you can help drive this initiative please visit www.fcsfl.org, the Geneva Resiliency Center Facebook page, or reach out to:

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Thank you for your interest and support!