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RE: The Arc of Chemung and The Arc of Schuyler Merge to Become
The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Elmira, NY | Watkins Glen, NY – The Arc of Chemung and The Arc of Schuyler are officially merged, to become The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler.

“The Board of Directors, along with the Leadership Teams of both organizations, have worked long and hard, and extremely well together, to make this transition happen,” said Harold J. Hoffmeier, Jr., President of The Arc of Schuyler Board. “We have already witnessed programmatic growth as well as increases in community support. The best is yet to come!”

“Today we celebrate our newly unified organization, our growth, and plans for our future, said Anita Lewis, President of The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler Board. “We look forward to a proper celebration when time permits, bringing together all who make our work possible: the people we support, families, and of course – our staff.”

In 2019, the formalization of a strategic partnership between The Arcs of Chemung and Schuyler was announced, as the two organizations explored opportunities for shared services, shared staffing, and joint ventures. Both Chapters quickly recognized that they were stronger together, aligned by shared values and a commitment to deliver excellent services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families, and to our local communities. As a larger, unified organization, The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler is better able to leverage best practices and team skills to enhance our supports and services, along with their mission of providing the people supported with opportunities for their individual growth.

“The success of our newly unified organization is thanks to our staff, who have worked hard to get us to where we are, have been patient, and open to change,” said Sean Eagen, Executive Director of The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler. “Thanks to our staff, The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler will be able to continue providing the same high-quality supports to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and local businesses.”



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The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler has a \$33.4 million budget and employs 671 people. The Agency provides supports and services to nearly 2,000 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families, across 18 counties, from Waverly in Tioga County, to West Seneca in Erie County. These services include housing supports, clinical supports, community supports and day services, and employment support services. The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler also operates a Business Services Division, which include Southern Tier Industries, Glen Copack Food Manufacturing, Franklin Street Gallery and Gift Shop, Seneca Shine Auto Detailing, and Transportation Link-Line.

The Arc of Chemung – Schuyler’s Board of Directors will include: Anita Lewis, President; Eileen Remec, Vice President; Michael Stamp, Treasurer; Margaret Lawrence, Secretary; Harold J. Hoffmeier, Jr., The Arc NY Board of Governor; Thomas Gough; Marcia Kasprzyk; Veronica Lewis; Kathryn Littleton; Lee Moran; David Ralph; Margaret Sisson; Donald Stocum; and Nancy Thomas.

Administrative offices will be located at 711 Sullivan Street, Elmira, NY 14901 and the main telephone number will be (607) 734-6151.

ABOUT THE ARC OF CHEMUNG-SCHUYLER

The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler is a family-based organization, providing supports to people with varying abilities and their families within an 18-county service area. The agency creates opportunities for individual growth, while emphasizing choice, and its passion for excellence is evidenced by family and community partnerships, quality supports, education, and advocacy. Learn more at www.arcofcs.org. The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler is a chapter of the state organization, The Arc New York, and is nationally accredited by The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL).