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**RE:** The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler Awarded Grants from NYSARC Trust Services  
*to Support Recreational and Guardianship Opportunities for people with disabilities*

#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Elmira, NY | Watkins Glen, NY** – The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler announces that it has been awarded \$52,000 in grants from the Trustee Management Board of NYSARC Trust Services to support The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler's guardianship and recreation programs.

**Guardianship Program:** The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler's Guardianship Program, which received \$34,000, administers guardianship services under the auspices of NYSARC, Inc. Corporate Guardianship Program. This is a program that is intended to provide guardianship supports to individuals in need of such supports but who have limited availability of family or other natural supports to fulfill this role. The Guardianship Program focuses on the best interests of individuals, while taking into consideration the personal wishes, preferences and beliefs that afford each individual the greatest amount of independence and participation in decisions affecting the person's life.

**Recreation Program:** The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler's Recreation Program, which received \$18,000, creates recreation, socialization, and leisure opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. People with intellectual and developmental disabilities living in the community are often socially isolated and lack the social skills to pursue a life with meaningful relationships.

#### **ABOUT THE ARC OF CHEMUNG-SCHUYLER**

The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler is a family-based organization, providing supports and services to nearly 2,000 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and their families, across an 18-county service area. Learn more at [www.arcofcs.org](http://www.arcofcs.org). The Arc of Chemung-Schuyler is a chapter of the state organization, The Arc New York.

#### **ABOUT NYSARC TRUST SERVICES**

NYSARC Trust Services has administered supplemental needs trusts since 1972, helping thousands of people with disabilities protect their eligibility for government benefits and improve their quality of life. Our trust programs give people with disabilities the opportunity to maintain comfort and independence in the community while providing peace of mind to their family and loved ones.

NYSARC Trust Services provides administration of pooled supplemental needs trusts to help families plan for the future of a loved one with a disability, preserve income and assets for Medicaid planning purposes and long-term care needs, and protect unexpected windfalls of money.

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