

Fourth Annual Livingston County Community Connect Final Report



January 29, 2011

Guests

The Fourth Annual Community Connect attracted more attendees than ever before. Over 900 guests of all ages, from communities across the county, connected with needed services. Some guests were familiar services and learned about new ones, others accessed services for the very first time.

Attendees (Based on completed intake forms)	%
Adult Males	37
Adult Females	63
Families with children present at event	17
Veterans	2
Living in an apartment or own home	75
Living with friend or family	21
Homeless or living outside	4
Average guest evaluation rating: 4.95/5	

Where did guests learn about Community Connect?	%	Ages (Based On Intakes)	%
Newspaper/ Radio	11	0-18 y/o (Of All Attendees)	15
Friend or Family Member	32		
Community Agency	27	18-25 y/o	15
Schools/Medical off/ Attorney	1	26-54 y/o	60
Church	11	55-64 y/o	18
Business	1	65+ y/o	7
Other	17		

Volunteers

An incredible mix of volunteers from community agencies, local faith-based organizations, and community members came together this year at Community Connect. Over 500 volunteers assisted as guides, cooks, coordinators, servers, and more— helping guests to find what they needed; distributing and loading goods; and setting up/cleaning up. Volunteers rated their experience as **4.5 out of 5** on the evaluation scale.

“Great Day!!!”

-Guest

“This was a very heart warming day.”

-Guest

“Great Event, Great Food!”

-Volunteer

“Our guide was great.”

-Guest

“I think you have a lot to offer!”

-Guest

“Wow, what an eye opener!”

-Volunteer

“Everything was all set up and ready to go— was great.”

-Guest

“Every year gets better and better!”

-Guest

“You did a wonderful job for our community!”

-Guest

"All was wonderful—great event ."
-Vendor



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"Great Day."
-Guest

"Great Experience!"
-Volunteer

"Start sooner and end later!"
-Guest

"(Community Connect) was GREAT."
-Guest

"We need more time to complete all the activities!"
-Guest

Agency or Service	Service
Child care services	48 children
Legal services	87 sessions
Hair cuts	67 cuts
Services for veterans	76 visits
Work & financial services	249 visits
Benefits and advocacy	100 visits
Services for young children	122 visits
Vaccinations	113 shots
Massages	105 sessions
Family focused services	388 visits
Clothing	11,000 pieces
Disability services	34 visits
Blood pressure checks	54 checks
Mental health and substance abuse services	282 visits
Home and utility services	200 visits
Services for seniors	50 visits
Family photos	76 photos
Education and literacy	200 visits
Faith community outreach	145 visits
Food	12,000 lbs
Recycle Programs	205 visits
Personal care bags	540 bags
Other community services	150 visits
Average vendor evaluation rating: 4.8/5	

Other Needs Identified for Next Year

- Spanish speaking guides
- Additional dietary options— Less sugar and more protein.
- More haircuts
- More attorneys
- Hearing services
- Dental care
- Senior programs
- Bibles
- Eye glasses
- Tools section
- Eye exams
- First aid kits
- Copier for housing
- Social Security rep
- Diabetes services
- Finger printing
- Car repair
- Red Cross
- Nutrition classes
- Exercise for children

Over 1,600 meals were served to guests, volunteers, and vendors at the 2011 Community Connect Event.