



**2025 Annual Meeting
Wednesday, October 15, 2025
View/Gould Hall, Old Forge
6:00 PM**

Welcome to Public & Introduction

Scott McCarley

Governance

Scott McCarley

Announce Slate of Officers for 2026:

- **Scott McCarley, President**
- **Kate Cominsky, Vice President**
- **Steve Evans, Treasurer**
- **Allison Skinner, Secretary**

Acknowledgement of retiring board members:

Scott McCarley

- **Will Basile, served on board since 2016**

Financial Report

Steve Evans

Presentation of Executive Director Report

Robin Hill

Presentation of Community Development Report

Steve Underhill

Public Comment

Scott McCarley

Review & Acceptance of Annual Minutes

Ali Skinner

Adjournment

Scott McCarley

LivingADK
Financial Annual Report
October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025

OPERATIONS:

Income from Operations:

Annual Membership Revenue	\$24,001
CAP-PY Duck Derby	\$18,551
Community Grant Program	\$1,250
Cookbook Sales	\$69
Farmers Market	\$23,280
Local Government	\$47,250
Grants	\$189,810
Donations/Miscellaneous	\$59,911
Administration Services	\$513
Grant Administration	\$128
Investment Income Net of Expenses	\$9,257
Reimbursed Expenses	\$608

Total Operating Income from Operations \$374,627

Expenses from Operations:

CAP-PY Duck Derby	\$3,745
Events & Programs	\$10,816
Farmers' Market	\$15,348
Insurance	\$2,796
Office Supplies, Software & Equipment	\$10,716
Office Expenses & Administration	\$4,631
Payroll/Tax Liabilities	\$127,499
Rent/Utilities/Website	\$15,160

Total Expenses from Operations \$190,711

Net Operations Income \$183,916

RESTRICTED PROJECTS:

* **Restricted Projects Income (Non-Operations)** \$109,404

* **Restricted Projects Expenses (Non-Operations)** \$331,043

Net Restricted Projects Income (\$221,639)

Operations: Income for the prior 12-month period was \$365,370. Expenses were \$190,711 resulting in a gain, for the period, of \$190,711. Cash on hand is \$293,764 as of 9/30/25 plus \$187,167 in Investment Acct for a total amount of \$480,931. Report is Cash Basis.

***Restricted Projects:** Capacity Building, Health/SS, Okara Lakes, Conklin Family Dog Park, CBIT, Maintain the Chain, Webb/Inlet Ice Rink, Arrowhead Park, Deed Retriktion Program, Senior Food Security, Fulton Chain Rendezvous, LTR Catalyst Pilot, & Social Safety Network Planning and Implementation



Financial Supporters
October 1, 2024 –
September 30, 2025

Major \$500+

Mr. William Basile
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Evans
Mr. Frederick M. Genung
Inlet Ace, LLC
Mr. & Mrs. John Jeffrey
Mr. Scott McCarley
Mr. & Mrs. Joel Millikan
Ms. Janice O'Connor
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sokolosky
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Trainor
Mr. & Mrs. Symeon Tsoupelis
Mr. & Mrs. Rinaldo Villa
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Walker
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wallingford

Visioning \$251+

Enchanted Forest/Water Safari
Inlet Area Business Association
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Satterly
Mr. & Mrs. Trae Skinner

Sustaining \$101+

Mr. & Mrs. Don Andrews
Ms. Jameson Baxter
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cominsky
Mr. & Mrs. David Curtis
Mr. Arthur Delaney
Mr. Dave Etsen
Mr. Gary Falchi
Mr. T. Frank Gehrig
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Holt
Mr. & Mrs. William Hill
Mr. Carlton Holmes
Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Lister
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Mayer
McClary Media
Mr. & Mrs. John Munyan
Ms. Allyson Nathan
Ms. Lucy Nolan
Okara Lakes Association
Old Forge Hardware & Furniture Co. Inc.
Dr. Julie and Mr. Edward Perlanski
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Quinn
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Reaume
Mr. David Rosen
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Ruscitto
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Schnittman
Mr. Ken Shine
Strand Theatre or Old Forge
Ms. Paula Weal
The Oil Well
Mr. Paul Van Slyke

Guiding \$36-100

ADK Action
Adirondack Bank
Mr. & Mrs. Doug Bartlett
Ms. Michelle Brandstadt
Blue Line Coffee House
Mr. Douglas Cotanche
Mr. & Mrs. Doug Criss
Diorio's Supermarket
Eagle Bay Volunteer Hose Co. Inc.
Mr. & Mrs. Zach Eigenbrodt
Ms. Linda Folsom
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Gloo
In memory of Theodore C. Gloo
Mr. & Mrs. Stuart Hirshfield
in memory of Howard & Judith Slater
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Holt
Inlet Volunteer Ambulance Squad
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Johnson
Ms. Jean Johnson
Ms. Carisa Kaplan
Mr. & Mrs. Don Kelly
Mr. David Kornmeyer
Ms. Annette Mahoney
Ms. Julie Meeks
Mr. Andrew Moen
Old Forge Library Association
Dr. Leslie Goldstone Orly
Mr. & Mrs. George Oswald
Mr. & Mrs. Bradley Pearson
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Philipson
Rocky Point Properties, Inc.
Mr. & Mrs. Kerry Rogers
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Rudd
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Schanely
Mrs. Donna Stoner & Mr. George B. Cady
Mr. Robert Van Slyke
The Waldheim, Inc.
Ms. Libby Zupnik
Mr. Andrew Moen

Friends \$35

Ms. Marie Adams
Ms. Anita Black
Ms. Hazel Dellavia
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dickerson
Ms. Nancy Grosselfinger
Ms. Elizabeth McDowell & Mr. Floyd Olney
Ms. Karen Minnie
Mr. & Mrs. Dave O'Donovan
Old Forge Volunteer Fire Department
Mr. Daniel Satterly
Mr. & Mrs. Neil Satterly
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Webster
Ms. Sally Woods

Funding Partners

Anonymous Donors
Linda and Sarah Cohen Fund
Adirondack League Club Community Fund
Peter & Vivian Falco Family Foundation
The Kleinschmidt Family Foundation
Herkimer County
Town of Inlet
Town of Webb



Board of Directors 2025

Executive Board

Scott McCarley, President
Kate Cominsky, Vice President
Ali Skinner, Secretary
Steve Evans, Treasurer

Board Members

Leslie Beauchamp
Megan Eigenbrodt
Allyson Nathan
Michele Kalil
Toni Noma Andrews
Bob Wallingford
Will Basile/Past President

Ex-Officio Members

Bonnie Baker, Town of Webb Supervisor
John Frey, Town of Inlet Supervisor
TJ Entwistle, Town of Forestport Supervisor
Clay Arsenaault, Town of Long Lake Supervisor
Brian Wells, Town of Indian Lake Supervisor

Town of Webb School Liaison

Jillian Mayer, TOWUFSD

LivingADK Staff

Robin Hill, Executive Director
Steve Underhill, Director of Economic Development
Susan Williams, Office Manager



CAP-PY DUCK DERBY SPONSORS - 2025

Adirondack Bank

Adirondack Rafting Outfitters

Chipman Woodworks

Community Bank NA

Daiker's Inn on 4th Lake

Dunn's Boat Service

Front Door Diner/Back Door Bar/Archie's Alley/Eagle Bay House

Great Pines Resort

McCauley Mountain/Town of Webb

Meyda Lighting

Mountainman Outdoor Supply Company

Mountainside Smokehouse & Grill Restaurant

Old Forge Hardware & Furniture Co.

Rainbow Zen

Raquette Lake Navigation Company

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Rivett's Marine Recreation & Service

Rocky Point Properties Real Estate Company

Strand Theatre of Old Forge

Sunset Beach Cottages

The Blue Spruce Motel

Thendara Golf Club

View Arts

The Waldheim Resort

The Wigwam Tavern





LivingADK Regional Community Investment Grants & Investments Along Routes 28 & 30 Corridors

Town of Forestport

- Local Waterfront Revitalization project to develop a plan for town waterfront access on the Black River **2005, \$50,000**
- Construction of new Otter Lake fire station through Homeland Security Funding **2011, \$1,126,431**
- Woodgate Library through Community Foundation for new roof **2014, \$10,000**
- Woodgate Library, NYS Library Construction Fund **2015, \$41,269**
- Homes & Community Renewal Mobile and Manufactured Home Replacement Program, **2025, \$250,000**

(Summary of grant development/investment for Town of Forestport - \$1,477,700)

Town of Webb

- Main Street business revitalization grants **2009, \$200,000**
- Waterfront Revitalization project developing design plans for waterfront park
Reconstruction of Town of Webb Municipal dockage **2010, \$48,000**
- Design and construction assistance for Point Park **2006, \$140,000**
- Central Adirondack Laboratory for Environmental Sciences (CALES) – feasibility study on establishing an environmental studies program within the Town of Webb **2008, \$100,000**
- Design plan for McCauley Mountain Ski Chalet through West Adirondack Recreation Development Association (WARDA) **2004, \$20,000**
- Trails grant for improvements to McCauley Mt. in collaboration with Town of Webb School and WARDA **2011, \$5,350**
- DEC capital assistance program for transfer station recycling project **2015, \$24,412**
- Grant writing for purchase of new wheelchair accessible van for Community Transportation Services, LTD (CTS Van) **2008, \$52,000, SUV 2013, \$14,065, SUV 2017, \$6,940**
- Playground equipment through Herkimer County HealthNet **2012, \$12,403**
- Municipal Incentive Grant for recreation through Herkimer County **2012, \$5,000**
- Strand Theater Digital Conversion through Empire State Development **2013, \$25,000** and coordination of Save Our Strand Digital Conversion **2013, \$108,000**
- Kinderwood School through DeVito Family Foundation **2013, \$20,000; 2017, \$20,000**
- Complete Streets grant (bike racks), Herkimer County **2014, \$5,000**
- TOBIE Trail improvements, Herkimer County **2014, \$9,747**
- Energy Improvements to McCauley Mt. snowmaking and ski lift, NYSERDA & National Grid **2014 \$58,855**
- Energy efficient snow making equipment for McCauley Mt., NYSERDA **2018, \$66,200**
- Old Forge Library, CNY Arts **2015, \$620**
- Webb Police Dept. 100-Watt Radio, NYS Criminal Justice **2015, \$2,500**

- Webb Police Dept. – Bulletproof Vest Partnership **2015/2016 \$3,900**
- Playground Equipment, McCauley Mt. Herkimer County HealthNet **2015, \$6,483**
- North Woods Community Center, Community Foundation Herkimer/Oneida **2015, \$10,000**
- Transportation Shuttle, NYS Dept. of Transportation **2015/2016 \$45,750**
- Mission Boutique Building, Community Foundation, **2016 \$57,300**
- Town Building Improvements, State and Municipal Grants **2016, \$60,000**
- Maple Ridge Water Tower Financing, USDA Rural Development, **2016, \$1.75 million**
- Assistance to non-profits, Adirondack League Club Community Fund, **2016-2022, \$664,361**
- MACs Safe Ride, new vehicle assistance, Community Foundation, **2016, \$25,000**
- DEC Municipal Waste Reduction, reimbursement for recycling equipment, **2016, \$69,802**
- Mountainman Outdoor Supply Co., Empire State Development expansion project, **2017, \$140,000**
- Community Health & Wellness Fund, feasibility study from Community Foundation, **2017, \$11,500**
- Town of Webb Historical Association Goodsell cellar drainage repair, **2017, \$2,000**
- Old Forge Little League – new ball field, Community Foundation, **2017, \$10,000**
- Town of Webb DEC Engineering Planning Grant for Wastewater Rehabilitation and Upgrade, **2018, \$24,900**
- Anasazi, LLC, (Hollister's Business Expansion), Empire State Development Expansion project, **2018, \$520,000**
- Fulton Chain of Lakes Association, Invasive Species Lake Steward and Boat Wash Decon Station Summer 2019 Support, Adirondack League Club Community Fund, **2019, \$1,500**
- Town of Webb Public Restroom Project, Adirondack Park Community Smart Growth Grant, **2019, \$100,000**
- For the Declaration of Arbor Day in Town of Webb toward Tree City USA Designation, purchase of two (2) trees, **New York State Urban Forestry Council, 2021, \$1,000**
- McCauley Mt. Recreation Center, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Recreational Trails Program Grant award to expand the existing Mountain Biking trails; **2021, \$250,000**
- Old Forge Public Dog Park, **2022, \$31,652**
- New flooring and equipment for George Hildebrandt Recreation Center, **Wadas Foundation, 2022, \$133,000**
- Beautification Mural in Old Forge, **It's Happening Herkimer, 2022, \$300**
- Beautification Mural in Eagle Bay, **Adirondack Foundation, 2023, \$2,600**
- Beautification Mural in Eagle Bay, **Adirondack Bank, 2023, \$150**
- Conklin Family Dog Park, **East Hill Family Foundation, 2023, \$10,000**
- Old Forge Farmers Market Direct Nutritional Support Program, DeVito Family Trust, Excellus BCBS Health & Wellness Award & Farm Credit East, Adirondack League Club, **2023, \$7,250**
- KYAC general support, The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, **2023, \$5,000**
- Kinderwood School, The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, **2023, \$5,000**
- Community Transportation Services, **Adirondack Foundation, 2023, \$5,000**
- Recreation Connections/Old Forge, The Community Foundation, **2023, \$15,000**
- Town of Webb, **Clean Energy Communities, 2022, \$10,000**
- Town of Webb, **Clean Energy Communities/Community Solar, 2023, \$5,000**
- Old Forge Farmers Market Direct Nutritional Support Program, **Excellus BCBS Health & Wellness Award, the Adirondack Foundation Generous Acts Grant & Farm Credit East, Fulton Chain Rendezvous Antique Boat Show, 2024, \$5,501**

- Old Forge Volunteer Ambulance Corps Auto Pulse equipment, The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, **2023, \$15,000**
- Old Forge Volunteer Ambulance Corps – Adirondack Foundation Generous Acts grant for their Continuing Education Program, **2024, \$2,400**
- Town of Webb Recreation Pavilion, NYSERDA Grant for upgrades the building, **2024, \$50,000**
- Town of Webb McCauley Mt., DEC Smartgrowth Grant for snow making equipment, **2024, \$125,000**
- KYAC, **Herkimer County Youth Bureau, 2024, \$1,000**
- Recreation Connections Old Forge, **Herkimer County Youth Bureau, 2024, \$3,000**
- Webb Wastewater Project, Congressionally Directed Spending/EPA, **2023, \$1,000,000**
- Lunch for Seniors, **Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, 2024, \$20,000**
- Lunch for Seniors, **Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield Health & Wellness Award, 2024, \$1,250**
- Lunch for Seniors, **2025 AmeriCU, \$1,000, Adirondack Community Foundation, \$2,500**
- Old Forge Farmers Market Direct Nutritional Support Program, **Excellus BCBS Health & Wellness Award, Marc & Cathy Meacham, Farm Credit East, Jody Collins Skinner & Robert Skinner & Fulton Chain Rendezvous, 2025, \$12,925**
- Homes & Community Renewal Mobile and Manufactured Home Replacement Program, **2025, \$250,000**

(Summary of grant development/investment for Town of Webb - \$6,417,116)

Inlet

- Waterfront revitalization of Arrowhead Park including construction of Youth Commission Building **2007, \$212,000**
- Trails grant for design and construction of Elaine Townsend Trail connecting with Moose River Plains trail system **2009-10, \$33,400**
- Rural Business Enterprise grant for reconstruction of historic dockage at Woods Inn **2011, \$83,850**
- Main Street business revitalization grant **2008, \$200,000**
- DEC capital assistance program for transfer station recycling project **2011, \$19,960**
- Planned improvements to 5th & 6th Lake carry sites **2012, \$24,000**
- Arrowhead Park Phase II, Local Waterfront Revitalization Project (LWRP) through NYS Department of State **2013, \$248,000**
- NYSERDA Appliance Rebate, Community Center AC Units **2013, \$771**
- Inlet Sewer District Extension through NCREDC Infrastructure Fund **2013, \$53,800**
- Inlet Barnstormers Trail Equipment, NYS Office Parks & Recreation **2014, \$59,000**
- Inlet Library, NYSED Capital Improvements **2014 \$25,819**
- Inlet Library, NYSED Capital Improvements **2015 \$29,831**
- Inlet Senior/Community Center; Adirondack Foundation; Community Foundation **2015 \$4,200**
- Sixth Lake Dockage, NYS Department of State, **2016 \$19,600**
- Inlet Veterans Memorial, Adirondack Gives, **2016 \$250**
- Inlet Church of the Lakes, Adirondack Gives, **2016, \$7,000**
- Inlet Church of the Lakes, Adirondack Gives, **2017, \$400**
- Inlet Church of the Lakes, NY Landmarks Conservancy Sacred Sites, **2017 - \$6,000**
- Woods Inn, Empire State Development business expansion grant, **2017, \$174,000**

- Municipal Waste Reduction & Recycling State Assistance (MWRR) grant, **2018, \$39,464 and 2019, \$38,356**
- Emergency Communications Tower Group of Inlet funds held at CAP-21 **through July, 2025, \$222,312.00.**
- Emergency Communications Tower Group of Inlet, Adirondack Gives, **2019, \$24,874**
- Inlet Area Community Task Force, Grow Towers, **Adirondack League Club, 2023, \$5,000**
- Inlet Historical Association, Speaker System, **Adirondack Foundation, 2023, \$3,000**
- Town of Inlet, **Clean Energy Communities, 2023, \$10,000**
- Arrowhead Park Playground Equipment, **Adirondack League Club Community Fund, 2023, \$5,000**
- Arrowhead Park Playground Equipment, Wadas Foundation, **2023, \$48,850**
- Inlet Volunteer Emergency Services Auto Pulse Equipment, The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, **2023, \$25,000**
- Arrowhead Park Playground Equipment, **General Donations, 2024, \$13,696**
- Inlet EMS, Hero Grant/Community Foundation for Auto Pulse AED, **2023 \$1,500**
- Town of Inlet, NYSERDA High Impact Designation, **2023, \$5,000**
- Inlet Area Community Task Force, Expand Community Garden, **Community Foundation, 2023 \$5,000**
- Inlet Area Community Task Force/Inlet Mighty Loons, **Herkimer County Youth Bureau, 2024, \$3,000**
- Inlet Area Community Task Force/Inlet Mighty Loons – **Hamilton County Youth Bureau grant, 2024 \$4,450**
- Inlet Area Community Task Force/Inlet Mighty Loons – **Adirondack League Club, 2024, \$3,750**
- Inlet Volunteer Emergency Services, private donation identified for Fire Fighting Trailer, **2025, \$6,000**

(Summary of grant development/investment for Town of Inlet – (\$1,666,133)

Long Lake

- 90 Miler waterfront revitalization for Long Lake nature trail **2013, \$18,000**
- Waterfront revitalization through Raquette River Blueway Corridor, NYS DOS **2015, \$342,000**

(Summary of grant development/investment for Long Lake- (\$360,000)

Indian Lake

- 90 Miler waterfront revitalization for pavilion construction at Blue Mountain Lake beach in collaboration with Blue Mt. Lake Association **2013, \$7,000**
- Indian Lake Main Street RARP, NYS **Housing & Community Renewal, 2016, \$200,000**

(Summary of grant development/investment for Indian Lake – (\$207,000)

Tupper Lake & Saranac Lake

- 90 Miler waterfront revitalization for Tupper municipal waterfront and coordination with Wild Center dock construction on Raquette River and public launch areas at Lake Flower, Beaver and Fowler Parks **2013, \$44,000**

Regional

- Flower Basket beautification project – 20 years
- Old Forge Farmers market – 18 years
- Design and construction costs for phase one of TOBIE Trail **1999, \$684,292**
- Construction funding for VIEW- Arts Center/Old Forge **2010, USDA Rural Development \$2.95M, USDA Grant \$50,000, and NYS Grants \$500,000**
- Regional Housing Needs Assessment for Towns of Forestport, Webb, Inlet and Long Lake **2011, \$55,026**
- Regional waterfront revitalization projects along Adirondack Canoe Classic 90 Miler Blueway Trail
- Fresh Connect grant from NYS Agriculture & Markets for regional farmer's market improvements **2012, \$4,900**
- Adirondack Park Recreational Web Portal Project through Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages (AATV) **2013, \$108,000; Phase II 2014, \$82,500**
- Upper Hudson Recreational Hub for partnership projects, Recreation Strategies and Hamlets 3; through Nature Conservancy & Essex County Industrial Development Agency **2014, \$356,750**
- Central ADK COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund – raised over \$210,000 for distribution among deserving individuals and families suffering from financial hardship as a result of the pandemic. Applicants were required to live and/or work within the State Route 28 corridor of Woodgate through Raquette Lake; **2020, \$211,000**
- CADK COVID Business Grant Fund – raised over \$150,000 for distribution among 23 deserving small businesses experiencing financial hardship as a result of the pandemic through a simple grant application and committee review process **2020, \$150,000**
- LivingADK Indeed Housing Legacy Program – compensation fund created for voluntary deed restriction program which reserves homes with Town of Webb School District for those living here full-time; **2022, \$65,100; 2023, \$34,700**
- Center for Businesses in Transition Program Expansion into Mohawk Valley (MVEDD/Herkimer Chamber/ANCA/LivingADK), **The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida; 2024, \$25,000**
- STaR Ambulance, Community CPR Program, **The Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, 2023, \$25,000**
- LTR Catalyst Pilot Program in partnership with AdkAction and Adirondack Roots, **Cloudsplitter Foundation, 2024, \$10,000**
- Social Safety Net Implementation Grant for a Community Resource Navigator Position, **Adirondack Foundation, 2025, \$160,000**

Total Regional Grant/Investment with LivingADK (1999 – 2025) \$15,644,207

LivingADK Director's Report

Annual Meeting

October 15, 2025

Introduction:

Welcome to our 2025 Annual Meeting!

We don't operate similarly to many charitable non-profits where distinct metrics of success are easily identifiable on an annual basis for every project. So much of our work is behind the scenes with progress made over time. In an effort to update our much-valued supporters and educate new prospective supporters, I am happy to provide the following information.

Corporation Governance

- This year, we worked with great new resource that I've shared with many charitable non-profits in our region. They are ProBonoPartner.org. They helped us update our Bylaws and several internal policies very cost effectively. Bylaws should be reviewed annually to remain compliant with NYS non-profit laws. I am happy to share our experience with ProBono, so feel free to reach out to me. Historically, LivingADK was a "membership" organization, where members were anyone who donates money to the nonprofit. This would have required our members (who we know support our mission, to be legally responsible for several tasks including electing board members, participating in the business of the nonprofit, counting towards a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the members of LivingADK and voting to amend, repeal or alter the certificate of incorporation. While we know you support our work, after much deliberation, the Board determined this form of organization is an antiquated model for members and the organization, alike, and no longer serves the best interests of LivingADK and the community at large. To that end, we revised our bylaws to restructure the legal obligations of members. Now, membership provides you with the opportunity to support our work, share with us your concerns/suggestions/vision, and show that support by remaining or becoming a "supporter" upon payment of an annual contribution to LivingADK.

Health Care & Social Service Resource Gaps

- Created over 6 ½ years ago, our working healthcare committee continues to meet monthly to focus on gaps in achievable health and social service-related programs, services and funding and is working with other **local and county agencies** and organizations, **including the Mohawk Valley Health System (MVHS)**.

Projects Completed or In Progress:

- Through ongoing collaboration with **MVHS and Old Forge Volunteer Ambulance Corps**, a new Rural Healthcare Partners Pilot program was kicked off this summer within the OF Ambulance service region of northern Oneida and northern Herkimer County whereby the EMS Technicians, Danielle Hoepfl and Susie Stripp are currently serving four (4) clients as one client graduated from care this Fall. Clients are referred to the program by their primary care physicians or their hospital discharge planners. We feel encouraged that a visiting nurse service component will be included in this pilot once approval is granted by the NYS Public Health Dept. Marketing pieces describing this program are being drafted by MVHS and LivingADK will be instrumental in helping to facilitate public engagement events sharing this new healthcare resource. The purpose is to reduce unnecessary non-emergency ambulance transports and treat residents locally within the confines of NYS oversight.
- Continue to promote another year of local mobile mammography service by Upstate University Hospital.
- Continue co-hosting our monthly Bagels, Blood Pressure & More in partnership with Old Forge Library, Old Forge Ambulance Corps, MVHS, Herkimer County Public Health and other county resources. Free blood pressure screenings are provided by MVHS.

Food Security Initiatives:

- **Lunch for Seniors** – this past February, a new collaborative food security effort commenced, the weekly Senior Delivered Lunch program. Through grants awarded by the Community Foundation of Herkimer/Oneida, AmeriCu, Excellus BCBS and the Adirondack Community Foundation, the program became reality. If you are 60 or older, homebound or disabled, you can receive a weekly delivered lunch if you live within the Town of Webb and Town of Inlet. Fresh deli sandwiches, fruit, microwave soup and granola bars are resourced through local stores. Lunches are assembled by rotating non-profits and individual volunteers and delivered by numerous year-round and seasonal resident volunteers from Inlet, Eagle Bay, Big Moose and Old Forge. Not only is a weekly nutritious meal delivered by a warm friendly face but the process also provides social engagement, which can be missing in many senior homes. The program is important as our expanded community does not receive county sponsored meals on wheels or have access to a congregate meal site.
- **Old Forge Farmers Market** – we completed our 18th Farmers Market season, complete with a new equipment storage building and signage entirely funded by awesome private donors. The weather was perfect and the 17-week market was a success. Our Direct Nutrition Assistance Program delivered **\$8,129** of purchasing power into approximately **39** income constrained households identified by local churches, food pantries, senior activity programs and the school. This program assists individuals, couples and families. Funding for this program is a combination of a portion of market vendor rental revenue, various grants and some awesome private donors.

Community Resource Initiatives:

- Continue to support and help facilitate local community engagement events:
 1. **Alzheimer's Association** – we co-hosted a 3rd annual fundraising walk for caregiver support at Fern Park/Inlet this past June which raised over \$1,800. Many local businesses donated awesome raffle prizes to ensure its success of this small but important awareness event.
 2. Promoted a Free ALZ social engagement event through the Adirondack Scenic Railroad for caregivers and their loved ones dealing with dementia.
 3. Promote the annual Herkimer County Office of the Aging public hearing. This year, the meeting is Oct. 31st, 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm at the Old Forge Library. Flyers are available tonight.
- **Social Safety Net Implementation Grant Award** – With LivingADK as the lead applicant and our partners, Old Forge Library, Niccolls Church, Community Wellness Partners, Town of Webb School and View led to a successful award of a 3-year \$160,000 grant to hire a Community Resource Navigator or CRN. The grant was offered through the Adirondack Community Foundation and we were one of four applicants chosen out of twelve submitted within the Adirondack Park. The CRN will be the connection between locals and existing regional, county and state resources covering the Town of Webb school district. This resource will work to identify causes and possible solutions of social isolation and feeling disconnected. Candidate interviews are complete and the steering committee will be making an employment offer in the near future.

Municipal Support:

Town of Inlet Emergency Communications Tower Project Fund

- LivingADK made final reimbursements to the Town of Inlet for the Emergency Communications Tower project this past year. LivingADK had been managing and administering this account consisting of publicly donated funds since 2018 on behalf of the Town of Inlet totaling over \$238,000. Two towers were erected with both AT&T and T-Mobile cell service added along with Hamilton county emergency services equipment. We understand Herkimer county emergency services equipment has been ordered and awaiting delivery and installation.

Town of Webb Mountain Bike Grant @ McCauley Mt.:

- LivingADK continues to assist the Town of Webb with administration duties of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historical Places State Grant for the mountain bike trail expansion grant at McCauley Mt.

- LivingADK worked with Town councilman Kyle Lindsay and Webb Recreation Manager Hannah Wheaton to submit a grant application to the Edwin J. Wadas Foundation for exterior improvements to the North Street Sports Complex for just over \$111,000. Award announcements are pending until the awards ceremony on November 13th.

Community Events

- **Community Shredding Event** – This FREE event has been held in May the last 3 years at the North Street Pavilion parking lot. Herkimer/Oneida Solid Waste Authority provides the shredding truck and seems pretty popular. Residents from as far away as Raquette Lake attended.
- Hosting a structured Meet the Candidate Night event for Webb and Inlet as needed.

CAP-PY Duck Derby Fundraiser

- Our 15th Annual CAP-PY Duck Derby fundraiser, was held August 31st thanks to amazing volunteers and staff. This family-oriented event covers about 6% of our annual budget. A big shout out to many of our local and regional business owners who again donated 19 awesome prizes. Net proceeds totaled nearly \$15,000 by selling chances on 4,209 rubber ducks.

Homes & Community Renewal/Rural Preservation Program

- At the beginning of 2024, we were encouraged to apply by NYS Homes & Community Renewal for a grant through the Neighborhood and Rural Preservation Program which provides administrative funds to support community-based not-for-profit corporations. While many NPC/RPC's are focused on providing services to provide safe, healthy, and affordable housing for families throughout New York State, HCR acknowledges other non-profits who provide a variety of other community-based support initiatives and housing initiatives. We are tasked with submitting semi-annual and annual reports to the State along with annual renewal applications. Funding covers up to 67% of eligible expenses. We are proud to say we continue to receive funding assistance through June 2026.

Restricted Fund Projects

- **Maintain the Chain** – LivingADK continues to be the conduit for MTC whereby our website accepts credit card donations on their behalf supporting efforts to bring healthy lake stewardship to the Fulton Chain of Lakes and surrounding woods, waterways and roadways.

Other Restricted Project Funds Administered by LivingADK and not mentioned earlier:

- Indeed Housing Legacy Program – my co-worker will share our program success in his report
- Conklin Family Dog Park
- CBIT Program Expansion on behalf of the Adirondack North Country Association
- Fulton Chain Rendezvous (Antique Classic Boat Show)
- Okara Lakes Invasive Species Project
- Webb/Inlet Ice Rink Plan
- Arrowhead Park Playground Equipment
- LivingADK's Health & SS Fund
- Long Term Rental Catalyst Pilot Program

In closing, I wish to express our appreciation to the governmental/municipal agencies who annually support our operations as a charitable 501c3 non-profit; Town of Inlet, Town of Webb and Herkimer County. If anyone has questions about what we share tonight, please give our office a call at 315-369-3353. We are happy to discuss. Thank you.

2025 Annual Report – LivingADK Director of Economic Development

i. Grant Activity:

Since last October and the 2024 Annual Report, we were awarded a \$10,000 grant from The Cloudsplitter Foundation. The award is for additional funding for our joint project STR-LTR Incubator Program discussed more fully below.

In December of 2024, LivingADK was awarded \$500,000 for a NYS Homes & Community Renewal Mobile and Manufactured Home Replacement (MMHR) Program. The program goal is to replace 4 dilapidated mobile homes; 2 in Webb and 2 in Forestport. An anticipated program increase was not implemented by the Governor hence we are dealing with a \$140,000 funding gap. We are applying for another grant, the Affordable Housing Corporation (AHC) New Construction application. Results of that application are expected before year-end.

ii. Program Updates:

Center for Businesses in Transition (CBIT). LivingADK is supporting expansion of this program in our service region. The goal of this FREE program is to assist aging business owners as they prepare to transition to retirement and want to sell their businesses. Six local business are currently enrolled in the program at various stages. Steve Schanely, a local volunteer, provides program assistance to these businesses. Having gone through the CBIT training sponsored by the Program Developer, Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA), I am ready to assist new program participants.

InDeed Housing Legacy Program: In an effort to offset the effect of STRs on workforce housing in our region, this program purchases deed restrictions from homeowners to ensure the home is always occupied by a year-round resident or can be a landlord leasing long-term. The deed restrictions prohibit short-term rentals.

We purchased two Deed Restrictions in 2025 and are working on two new transactions. The program can work on homes with or without mortgage liens and the client can use the compensation paid for a down payment on a new house or whatever they choose. Community Bank NA is our first lending institution supporting this program.

STR-LTR Incubator Program (LivingADK/AdkAction/Adirondack Roots). This program provides a financial incentive of up to \$5,000 and a toolkit to assist short-term rental owners to convert to long-term leases. The toolkit offers potential benefits to converting to long-term leases and a calculator to compare short-term Airbnb-type businesses to long-term rentals. LivingADK and our partners have closed two of these transactions and we are preparing a marketing campaign for the next phase.

HCR's Mobile and Manufactured Home Replacement (MMHR) Program provides funding from New York state to assist low- and moderate-income homeowners replace dilapidated mobile or manufactured homes with a new manufactured, modular, or site-built home. The homeowner must own the land and the unit and be the primary residence of the home. Household income not to exceed eighty percent (80%) of the area median.

iii. Events:

We supported a marketing seminar for businesses in the Inlet/Old Forge areas. The seminar was held in January of this year in Inlet. The target market was Main Street, mom and pop businesses. The seminar was presented by Point Positive and the Shipley Center for Innovation at Clarkson University. These organizations jointly offer seminars every year throughout the Adirondack Park. LivingADK is putting together a list of FREE helpful seminars that local business owners can participate in this Winter/Spring.