

# Financial Stability... United Way of Tompkins

County supports individuals in their efforts to live self-sufficient and productive lives.

## Better Housing for Tompkins County

The Tompkins County Home Repair Program provides labor and expertise for small home repairs for low-income senior and homeowners with disabilities throughout Tompkins County.

- 85 separate households were assisted
- All materials for repairs were purchased locally
- At the end of the year the waiting list equaled 30 households

## Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources of Tompkins County

This program addresses client services (both in and out of jail), bail and transition work. OAR helps individuals put together comprehensive individualized plans for the future, coordinating with many of the various service providers in the county.

- OAR provided 6,841 service units to approximately 1,212 different individuals
- 9 individuals served were successfully placed in housing

## Women's Opportunity Center

WOC offers a comprehensive program to displaced homemakers and women in poverty by offering individualized job readiness training and works with them to remove barriers to their training and gaining employment.

- 471 participants received services during the year
- 125 people started working (the goal was 75)
- 48 of those employed stayed in the job for at least 90 days (the goal was 35)

## Challenge

Job Club provides an intensive six week program utilizing a peer-supported group format to provide recipients with the skills, knowledge and structure to plan and engage in their own job search and successfully maintain employment.

- 165 individuals received formal assessments
- 110 individuals entered Job Club
- 45 individuals were placed and completed over 90 days of successful employment

## Women's Opportunity Center Success Story:

Karen was a homemaker for 17 years and came to WOC for computer classes and career services. She volunteered at WOC to gain confidence and work experience. After several temporary jobs with the Ithaca City School District, she was offered a permanent position as a teacher's aide and still does temporary work at the district's HR Administration Office during the summer when school is out.



## Financial Stability / Building Self-Sufficiency: \$173,485

- *Better Housing for Tompkins County*
  - **Tompkins County Home Repair Program** \$17,000
- *Catholic Charities of Tompkins/Tioga*
  - **ISP - Immigrant Services Program** \$5,000
- *Challenge*
  - **Challenge Work Center** \$25,000
  - **Job Club - Transition Employment** \$10,000
- *Danby Community Council*
  - **Community Newsletter** \$1,000
- *Enfield Community Council*
  - **Community Newsletter** \$1,000
- *Finger Lakes Independence Center*
  - **Education Outreach** \$7,000
- *Human Services Coalition of Tompkins County, Inc.*
  - **Human Service Planning** \$8,250
- *McLean Community Council*
  - **McLean Community Hall Programs** \$985
- *Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources of Tompkins County*
  - **Client Services** \$17,450
- *The Learning Web*
  - **Youth Outreach** \$14,000
- *Tompkins Community Action, Inc.*
  - **JobsBuild** \$6,000
- *Tompkins Learning Partners*
  - **Adult Literacy** \$15,800
- *Women's Opportunity Center*
  - **Women's Opportunity Center Employment Program** \$30,000
- *YMCA of Ithaca and Tompkins County*
  - **Financial Assistance/Subsidy** \$15,000

