Independent Living Collaborative
Contact List – February 18, 2016

Program	Name	Email	Phone	Program Description
Allied Services Behavioral Health	Simpson, Allyson	ASimps@Allied-Services.org	570-346-9558 Cell-570-857-9979 Fax 570-346-7002	
Advocacy Alliance	Peterson, Joan	jp@theadvocacyalliance.org	570-558-3971	CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocate Program – provides advocate for kids in foster care. Children's mental health Advocacy – Information, referrals, and advocacy for children with mental health needs and/or educational issues, etc.
CASSP	Chelik, Jessica	chelikj@lsbhidei.org	570-346-5741	
Care Net of Scranton	Roach, Susan	director@carenetofscranton.com	570-207-1907	Empowering Men & Woman with their pregnancy decisions. Parenting classes, prenatal classes, life skills, post-abortion totally free! Non-profit.
Career Technology Center of Lackawanna County	Bieri, Lisa	lbieri@ctclc.edu	570-346-8471 ext 123	Pupil Services Coordinator
Catholic Social Services of Lackawanna County	Hallinan, Gerald Pollock, Ryan	ghallinan@cssscranton.org rpollock@cssscranton.org	570-342-1295 Ext. 203 Ext. 212	
CCBHO	Liberty, Rosanna Wohlken, Cindy	libertyrr@ccbh.com wohlkencs@ccbh.com	570-496-1371 570-496-1355	Community Cares Behavioral Health NE Caremanager – oversight of SBBH team at Scranton High School

Children's Service Center	Nallon, Rebecca Menichello, Shari	RNallon@e-csc.org Smenichello@e-csc.org Acampbell@e-csc.org	570-825-6425 x532 Etx. 653 Ext. 316	SWAN Provider – Older child matching initiative, locating permanent homes for children older than 10 years old, primarily adoptive, some Subsidized Permanent Legal Custodianship SWAN- Adoption Worker www.cscwv.org
DATS	McGloughlin, Kevin		570-961-3254	
Diakon Adoption & Foster Care	Kolcun, Marian	kolcunm@diakon.org	570-351-9290 Phone 610-682-1582 Fax	Adult Residential Services for individuals with mental health Adult Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services Jump Start Transitional Youth Education Outreach for Psych Rehab Services
Economic Development & Planning	George Kelly	kellyg@lackawannacounty.org	570-963-6574 ext 1361	

EOC - Educational Opportunity Centers, Inc.	Kahn, Pam Laurel Radzieski Annette Shepherd	Pam@eocinc.org Laurel@eocinc.org 570-496-0296 annette@eocinc.org	 Academic Specialist Academic Specialist	Educational Opportunity Centers, Inc. (EOC) is a TRIO program under the Department of Education that assists low-income, first-generation college students with advancing their education and careers. The EOC office in Scranton is located in the 7th Avenue Center, 431 N. 7th Avenue, Scranton. EOC academic specialists assist with completing college applications, financial aid applications, assist with the decision making process by administering interest inventories, as well as provide support all through the college process; including advocacy for issues. All EOC services are free and open to all. Workshops are conducted monthly in the Careerlinks and Trehab Centers to dislocated workers. Workshop topics include: Financial aid, Career Decision Making with O'Net, Career Exploration in Health Careers; Career Exploration in Logistics & Manufacturing (which includes Skilled Trades), and Career Exploration in Business; special workshops can be developed for specific populations that include topics on Study Skills, Overcoming Barriers to Education, The College Application Process, to name a few.
EOTC	Angela Seibert	aseibert@eotcworks.org	570-558-7575	***EOTC*** offers a wide array of services for individuals and families. Two of the services that stand out as connections for transitioning youth are: ***FRIENDS Mentoring Program***- A mentoring program located in a low income housing development for children ages first grade and up. FRIENDS meets each Tuesday with homework for the first hour and either Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts or working with a local artist developing skills and talents for the second hour of the program. (Elaine Donly- 348-6484) **Job Search Group** – This state-funded program provides weekly job search support via a walk-in Job Search Group, which meets every Tuesday from 10a.m.-Noon. Job seekers can obtain help with resumes, cover letters, mock interviews & other job

				search skills. (Contact Paul Vecerkauskas at 348-6484).
Dress for Success Lackawanna	Iezzi, Maryann	lackawanna@dressforsuccess.org	570-941-0339	Dress for Success Lackawanna empowers women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Through a continuum of services, we teach women the tools to help them get back to work and assist them in remaining employed, as well as progressing in their positions until they have reached their desired level of professional achievement and personal fulfillment. • **Suiting Program**: Job-ready women come to Dress for Success by referral only from a range of non-profit organizations. Each client works one-on-one with a highly trained volunteer personal shopper who helps her select professional attire and also provides support and encouragement as she prepares for her upcoming interviews. . After a client finds work, she can return to Dress for Success for a full week's worth of professional attire. • **Career Center**: Our Career Centers promote confidence and professionalism by pairing our clients with staff members who work one-on-one with them. Services include resumes, cover letters, career counseling, mock interviews, and professional skills training. • **Going Places Network by The Walmart Foundation**: The Going Places Network by Walmart offers a 7-week safety net of support to women who have participated in our Suiting Program but have not yet secured employment. Clients meet for two hours each week, attend a workshop series on relevant job search topics, network with fellow participants, and

				receive additional one-on- one job search support in the Career Center. • **Professional Women's Group**: From understanding corporate culture to managing personal finances, career novices are often left to navigate the unwritten rules of the workplace with little or no support. Through monthly meetings, the Professional Women's Group (PWG) bolsters the careers of successfully employed Dress for Success women by providing them with a network of support, practical information, and inspiration to remain employed.
Foster Parent	Lea Dougherty	leadougherty@comcast.net	570-947-5519	
Good Will Industries	Campbell, Rebecca Koza, Kerin Madrigal, Juan	goodwillprograms@gmail.com goodguides@goodwillnepa.org	570-335-2728 570-407-0158 (cell) 570-351-3518 (office) 570-343-1166 ext 480	Goodwill provides services to adults, children and elderly who are intellectually and/or developmentally challenged. Goodwill currently employs full and part-time staff. Goodwill has numerous programs that are unique to the area and are specifically designed and developed to meet the direct needs and wants of clients and employees. Goodwill is a progressive organization that strives to provide quality services to adults, children and the citizens of Northeastern Pennsylvania. PROGRAMS OFFERED: **Community Employment & Placement Services, Community Options, Job Options, Choose Your Future, Adult Day Care, Good Guides Youth Mentioning Program, Residential Homes, Ticket to Work - Social Security Specialist**

Human Services House Coordinator Lackawanna County	Kania, Paul	Kaniap@lackawannacounty.org	570-963-6790	Work with providing agencies with our community to obtain safe and affordable housing for our youth residents with Lackawanna County.
Jewish Family Services	Nicole Friedman	nfriedman@jfsnepa.org	570-344-1186 615 Jefferson Ave, Scranton, PA 18510	
Lackawanna County Drug & Alcohol Case Management	Esgro, Renee Wargo, Sara	esgror@lsodap.org wargos@lsodap.org	570-963-6315	Screening & assessing clients with drug/alcohol dependency. Locate proper LOC based on assessment.
Lackawanna County Mediation	Libassi, Tony	mediationtl@gmail.com		The Dependency Mediation Program is an alternative dispute resolution program which mediates Dependency cases between the Agency and families. We mediate initial adjudications through Terminations and even Post Adoption (Act 101) agreements. At anytime the parties can choose to return to court to have a Judge or Master decide their case.
Lackawanna County Office of Youth and Family Services Independent Living Department Supervisor IL Coordinators	Chaffers, Lori Glezen, Lindesy Hess, Kim	chaffersL@lackawannacounty.org glezenl@lackawannacounty.org hessk@lackawannacounty.	570-963-6781	Independent Living Coordinator – provides services to all youth who are currently or were in foster care for at least one day on or after their 16th birthday. The focus of the services is on one of the eight priorities defined by the IL Bulletin: housing, education, employment, support, prevention, life skills, physical health, mental health. Kim is the IL homemaker working with IL eligible youth on various life skills development, education and career planning. Lackawanna County DHS/OYFS IL Group: A

IL Ongoing Worker	Gruszewski, Lisa	org gruszewskil@lackawannacounty.org		psycho-educational support group which focuses on educating youth on transitioning into adulthood. This group provides a supportive atmosphere where youth can feel open to discuss their current concerns about life's obstacles. This group also provides participants with tools on how to achieve the goals they wish to set for themselves. Participants include youths who have been involved with Foster Care during their adolescent years. Applications for this group are available at DHS/OYFS.
Lackawanna College	Quinn, Carolyn Duggan, Bridget	QuinnC@lackawanna.edu dugganb@lackawanna.edu	570-961-7815	Director of Continuing Education Youth & Special Program Manager
Lackawanna-Susquehanna BH/ID/EI Program	Yale, Jeremy	yalej@lsbhidei.org	570-346-5741	Program Administrator
OYFS - Administrators	Kavulich, Jason Johnson, Nancy	Kavulichj@lackawannacounty.org johnsonn@lackawannacounty.org		
OYFS School Liaisons Supervisor School Liaison	Marichak, Debbie Wesley-Ferretti, Jessica Strazzeri, Lou	marichakd@lackawannacounty.org Wesleyj@lackawannacounty.org strazzeril@lackawannacounty.org	570-963-6781 Ext. 1129 Ext 1306 Ext 1189	Each school in Lackawanna County has an OYFS School Liaison. Truancy/School Liaison for Abington, North Pocono, Riverside, Old Forge school districts and PATH & Howard Gardner Truancy/School Liaison: Scranton High School, Northeast Intermediate, Sumner, Morris, Willard, Prescott, McNichols Plaza, Isaac Tripp

Luzerne County Community College	Hennigan, Ed			Assistant Director of Admissions
Marywood University - ABLE Program	Arcuri, Melinda, Shrestha, Selina, Chernesky, Kimberly	Program Director/GED Coordinator is arcuri@maryu.marywood.edu Student Support Services/ Tutor Coordinator Shrestha@maryu.marywood.edu ESL Coordinator chernesky@maryu.marywood.edu	570-961-4558 570-961-4501	The Adult Basic Literacy and Education program(ABLE) at Marywood serves both ESL and GED students. We provide beginning and intermediate to advanced levels of ESL classes for those students who request them and fit within our program guidelines. We also offer GED preparation classes for those students who apply, meet our guidelines for entry into class and then enter and complete the orientation process. Once these students assess to an appropriate level to pass the GED exam, they are encourage to register for and take this test at a testing center.
NEIU 1200 Line Street Archbald PA 18403	Nancy Redetzky Kristin Samsell Regina Myers B.T. Liuely	nredetzky@iu19.org ksamsell@IU19.org rmyers@iu19.org bliuely@iu19.org	570-980-2579 (570)876-9273 570-876-9308 570-876-9200	Transition Council, P.D., Programming, Law & IA, PBIS Supervisor of Transition Program Transition Interagency/behavior
NHS	Little, Stacey	slittle@nhsonline.org		

North Pocono School District	Merkel, Marie	mmerkel@npsd.org		
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation	Farley, Mindy Perry-Rinaldi, Shawna	mifarley@pa.gov sperry-rin@pa.gov msaras@pa.gov	(570) 826-2011 ext. 140 (570) 826-2011 ext. 133 (570) 826-2011 ext. 110	OVR serves individuals with disabilities (physical, mental, emotional) that present a substantial impediment to employment. Our services are provided to individuals to gain or maintain employment. Eligibility is based on whether a person A) Has a disability B) The disability causes substantial problems in preparing for, obtaining, or maintaining a career, and C) The person wants to work. OVR offers numerous different services depending on individual needs and their goals, including: diagnostic services, vocational evaluations, counseling services, restoration services, training, and placement services. The Early Reach Initiative provides group and individual outreach to youth beginning at age 14, prior to a referral to the OVR Counselor. From a transition standpoint, OVR can assist youth in transition beginning at age 14, in preparing for and planning transition from school work to the world of work. OVR can assist them in seeking and obtaining employment, postsecondary education, information and referral, and the overall transition process.
PA Career Link Lackawanna County WIA	Gerard, Cathy DiPietro, Christie	cdipietrowia@gmail.com	(570) 344-1043	Fax # 570 963-4981 Or 570-963-4927 Help with job search, WIOA funding for OJT, training, & work experience. Serves individuals ages 14-100.
PA Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA)	Linda Pacewicz	lpacewicz@pheaa.org	(570) 592-1209	State agency providing information about attending and funding higher education. Administrating state grants and special programs.
PA Treatment & Healing	Scott Constantini, Regional	Scottc@pathtochange.org	570-840-2241 (cell)	Andrea Brancatti – Program Manager Megan Komoskey – Clinical Supervisor Robert Mattioli – Dean of Students

	Director		570-344-5960	Charis Kock – Drug 7 Alcohol
Pyramid Healthcare, Inc.	Gries, Kingsley	kgreis@pyramidhc.com	484-951-7065	Drug and Alcohol treatment center – Community Relations Representative
Regional Children, Youth, and Families	Barnes, Marcia	'mgosciewsk@pa.gov'	570-963-4376	
St. Joseph's Mother Infant Program	Marshall, Ruma	rmarshall@stjosephscenter.org	570-558-5050 or 570-963-1261	The **Mother Infant Program** is a transitional housing program for women with infants who are in need of housing and supportive services. Referrals and applications are accepted as early as the third trimester of the pregnancy but any mother who has a child a year old or under is eligible to apply for the program. **The Walsh Manor** is a shelter for women who are pregnant and are in need of shelter and support. The program can accommodate up to 4 pregnant women at a time. Intensive case management, assistance with transportation and life skills and emotional support are provided. This program also consists of 24/7 supervision on site. **Pregnancy and Adoption Counseling -** Pregnancy counseling offers emotional support and access to resources to women who are experiencing crisis pregnancies to help them through this process and make plans for themselves and their babies. **The Baby Pantry** assists needy families in the community with items such as diapers, clothing, baby food/formula, baby furniture such as high chairs, cribs and other items such as car seats and strollers. The clothing sizes range from Newborn to 6.
Scranton Counseling Center	Patella, Doug	Doug.Patella@scrantonscc.org	570-348-6100 Ext. 3265	

Scranton School District	Opshinsky, Cathy Genovese, David	Cathy.opshinsky@scrsd.org david.genovese@scrsd.org	570-348-3447 (570)348-3639	Special Education Supervisor Transition Coordinator
Special Kids Network	Minor, Kimberly Mickavicz, Michelle	sKminor@paelkshomeservice.org mmickavicz@paelkshomeservice.org	814-279-2581 570-347-3357	
SWAN (State Wide Adoption Network)	Daniels, Roberta	rdaniels@diakon-swan.org	717-712-8631	SWAN services help older youth through the SWAN units of service (child profile, child preparation, CSR, family profile, placement, finalization and post permanency), o reduce the time that youth are in foster care, increase the percentage of youth achieving permanency, decrease the percentage of youth aging out of care with no connection, prevent entering and re-entering foster care, and improve youth and family functioning. SWAN services are available for children and youth up to the age of 21 and in the custody of Children and Youth or shared custody of Children and Youth and JPO
The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Resource Center	Williams, Demara	dmw94@pitt.edu	(484)264-9728	NE Youth Ambassador – Youth Perspective & Voice
United Neighborhood Centers - Post Foster	Marcinkevich, Tammy	tmarcinkevich@uncnepa.org	570-343-8835	Transitional housing for post foster care support – aging out of foster care; support and life skills,

Care Program	Berg, Pam	pberg@uncnepa.org	Ext - 108 Ext – 109	preparation for work and education, and ultimately, permanent housing. Client Case Manager
University of Scranton – Counseling & Human Services Department	Barber, Geri	Gerianne.barber@scranton.edu	(570)941-7635	Counselor Training Center
Women's Resource Center	Murrin, Kiersten	kierstenm@wrcnepa.org	570-346-4671 Ext - 255	Drug and Alcohol Treatment, Outpatient Individual and Group Counseling
A Better Today inc.	Arcangeletti, Michael Jason White	marcangeletti@abettertoday.org Jwhite@abettertoday.org	570-351-7680 570-445-0412	
Center for Independent Living	Ross, Joe Williams, Mike	Jross@mycil.org mwilliams@mycil.org	570-207-9101 570-575-2570	
Pyramid	Slutzky, Amy	aslutzky@pyramidhc.com	484-523-9906	
	Waile,Donna	dLJRw04@yahoo.com	570-207-1907	

Valley Youth House	Laiuvara, Nichole	NLaiuvara@ValleyYouthHouse.org	570-704-0626	Independent Living Housing for youth 16-21 who have involvement with Children & Youth and/or Juvenile Probation.