

**The Southern Tier AIDS Program (STAP) remains committed as a local responder to the HIV epidemic but we also do so much more...**

**Do you know:**

- We employ 120 people and have an annual budget of 7.3 million dollars.
- Southern Tier Care Coordination (STCC) is our Doing Business As Designation. STCC provides care to anyone who has Medicaid and chronic health conditions such as (diabetes, asthma, heart problems). Care Managers work with their clients to meet their medical, mental health, substance use and supportive service needs. Currently we serve over 1,000 clients.
- We operate three Syringe Exchange Programs (SEP). Our SEP's provide syringe access and comprehensive harm reduction services to individuals who currently inject substances. We have a physician available at the SEPs who can prescribe suboxone for those who wish to start their recovery process.
- We have staff at each SEP location that assist program participants with entry to treatment.
- We were the first and continue to be one of the major providers of Naloxone kits in the community. Our Opioid Overdose Prevention Program has literally saved more than 1,000 lives.
- We provide testing and linkage to services for Hepatitis C both in our prevention services and state correctional facilities.
- Our women's prevention program provides risk assessment, testing, referral and navigations services to women. This allows women to know their status, get treatment, and access additional community support services.
- We have the only LGBTQ youth center in the Southern Tier. We serve youth from 13-24. Last year Identity served over 800 unduplicated youth. Identity is a safe space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning teens. LGBTQ+ youth and their allies are invited to come and be themselves, receive support and education, and meet new individuals.
- We operate a CHOW Pantry every Tuesday at 22 Riverside Drive in Binghamton and host a summer lunch program at our Identity youth center, 206 State Street.
- Our Re-entry Program works with formerly incarcerated men and women as they return home to our community from NYS Correctional Facilities. We assist participants in meeting the challenges they face, with the ultimate goals of enhancing public safety, reducing recidivism, and rebuilding lives and community.
- We administer a supportive housing program. Medicaid beneficiaries who are unstably housed and have utilized emergency or inpatient medical services multiple times in the last year can find short-term rental assistance and case management services. We also provide rental subsidies, as well as single-event financial assistance to qualifying clients living with HIV/AIDS and limited incomes.

35 years later, STAP remains staunchly committed to assuring health systems are responsive to the needs of the LGBT community, youth, communities of color, people who inject drugs, substance users, formerly incarcerated people and people with chronic illnesses living in poverty. We administer free testing for HIV, Hepatitis C and sexually transmitted diseases.

Money raised via our events is critical in assisting us in closing gaps in some of our funding streams so we can better meet the needs identified by those we serve in our eight county region. As we grow to meet these needs your support and efforts continue to lighten the load for many in our community.