

# **FOODBANK OF THE SOUTHERN TIER AND C.I.D.S MATERNAL HOME DELIVERY PROGRAM**



System Transformation and Community Investment Program focus on integrating community-based care into the healthcare delivery system, supporting community based organizations in programming designed to positively impact health outcomes, health equity, and the cost of healthcare.

Food insecurity is a social determinant of health and a driving force of health inequities. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the crisis of food insecurity, disproportionately affecting women and racial and ethnic minorities.

FLPPS is partnering with Food Bank of the Southern Tier and Comprehensive Interdisciplinary Developmental Services, Inc. (C.I.D.S) on an innovative program that addresses food insecurity and maternal health needs.

The innovative programs provide home delivery of nutritious food along with virtual

“I appreciate the intent of this collaboration with FLPPS and the Food Bank of the Southern Tier. Addressing the needs of maternal-child health is a vital service for the mother, the unborn child, and Population Health in general. Providing this basic need to this vulnerable population is essential in improving birth and health outcomes for both the mother and her child.”

**DAVID ANDREINE  
C.I.D.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

“The Food Bank of the Southern Tier is excited to launch the Kitchen Stork program, and we are pleased to partner with FLPPS, Arnot Health, Comprehensive Interdisciplinary Developmental Services, and Meals on Wheels of Chemung County. Each organization is generously sharing its unique strengths to make Kitchen Stork successful and sustainable. Our hope is that Kitchen Stork will positively impact the health of pregnant and postpartum mothers and their families through access to home-delivered nutritious foods, cooking and nutrition education, and support from community health workers.”

**MATTHEW GRIFFIN  
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH & NUTRITION FOR  
THE FOOD BANK OF THE SOUTHERN TIER**

cooking classes during the pregnancy and postpartum period. Cooking kits are also provided that include kitchen utensils, pots, pans, oils, and spices.

Food Bank of the Southern Tier and C.I.D.S are collaborating with Arnot Health and Meals on Wheels of Chemung County, Inc. on the program referred to as “Kitchen Stork” and will serve up to 50 expectant mothers in Chemung County. Community Health Workers from C.I.D.S will provide support to participants throughout the duration of the program.

