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**City of Schenectady and Schenectady County
Work Together to Provide Summer Employment
for 19 City Youth**

Agreement Saves City \$17,794

SCHENECTADY – Acting Schenectady Mayor Gary McCarthy and Schenectady County Officials announced an agreement that will provide summer employment for 19 City youth and save the City of Schenectady \$17,794.

Under the agreement, Schenectady County will hire five park attendants and 14 lifeguard positions through the Schenectady County Job Training Agency. Each position will pay \$9.50 per hour for 20 hours a week. The City of Schenectady will reimburse the County \$2.25 per hour, per individual with the County paying the remainder of the \$9.50 per hour rate. The County portion will be paid for through an agreement with the Schenectady City School District to administer a \$430,000 New York State Department of Labor grant that will provide 460 City youth with summer job opportunities.

“The agreement demonstrates what is achieved when government bodies work together,” said Acting Mayor McCarthy. “Additional evidence that ‘Working together works.’”

“There is a great need for summer youth employment in the City and this partnership will put some of our young people to work while saving our taxpayers money,” said Schenectady County Legislator Gary Hughes, sponsor of the resolution accepting the grant funding.

To qualify for the program applicants must be in grades 9 through 11 in the Schenectady City School District or be a member of a family whose total household income does not exceed 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.