

CoveCare Center Imagine Gala

Honoring Commissioner Michael J. Piazza

Putnam County Social Services, Mental Health & Youth Bureau

IMAGINE...The Courage to Make Change

Salem Golf Club

Friday, November 3rd, 2023 6:00pm-10:00pm





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Silent Auction and Giving Tree

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DINNER & DANCING

THE SID GIBSON IMAGINE AWARD presented to

MICHAEL J. PIAZZA

Honoring a legacy of service and dedication to the wellness of our community

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> Joseph DeMarzo Board of Directors

CoveCare Center Board of Directors

CLOSING OF SILENT AUCTION

DESSERT & DANCING

AUCTION RESULTS & CHECKOUT

Thank you!

Our Mission

To partner with individuals, families and the community to foster hope, wellness, and recovery, and to restore quality of life by addressing mental health needs, substance use and social and emotional issues.

Our Vision

We imagine a strong, united community where all people are valued, accepted, and empowered to live healthy lives.

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Good Evening to All Our Guests

CoveCare Center's Imagine Gala offers us the chance to reflect on our mission and to celebrate those who have contributed greatly to it. The Sid Gibson Imagine Award is the embodiment of that commitment, not only to CoveCare's mission of wellness and recovery, but also to our entire community. Naturally, the evening also provides the opportunity to get together, have fun and connect while honoring all of these values.

This year, it was an easy decision to honor Michael Piazza, Putnam County's longtime Commissioner in the areas of Mental Health, Social Services and the Youth Bureau. Mike embodies the values of our agency and of this award in a way that is unique in many respects. Quite literally, his dedication is part of the genesis of our agency; without him in his role for all this time, it is unlikely that our agency would be where it is today. There are countless reasons for us to thank and appreciate him, and that is, in large part, what tonight is about!

We are so happy to have you here with us this evening, to celebrate our agency and to join us in appreciating and recognizing Mike. Our team is grateful to him, and grateful for your support in the pursuit of our mission. Thank you for being here!

Enjoy the evening, Eric & Stacey

Eric A. Toth, LMSW, MBA Chief Executive Officer

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Mental Health Counseling & Treatment	Mental Health Clinic: Licensed therapists provide individual, group and family therapy, as well as therapy for children and seniors. In addition, psychiatrists prescribe and manage medications when needed, and trained peer specialists provide guidance and support based on lived experience. For general information, contact <u>info@covecarecenter.org</u>		
Alcohol & Substance Use Treatment & Prevention	Substance Use Clinic: Credentialed counselors and social workers provide individual, family and group counseling. Certified Recovery Peer Advocates provides peer supports. Psychiatrists provide evaluations and prescribe medications, including treatment for opioid use. Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) includes buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid use.		
	School Based and Community Prevention: CoveCare Center provides prevention education in Putnam County schools, raises awareness about substance use issues, and informs the public about local resources.		
	Family Support Navigator Program: CoveCare Center's trained staff assists families and individuals struggling with Substance Use (addiction) by providing information and resources vital to recovery. This program provides free confidential services at a location of your choice.		
Community-Base	ed Services		
Adult Services	Care Management for Adults: CoveCare Center provides assistance to adults with medical, mental health or substance use issues to navigate multiple service systems. They facilitate access to medical, mental health and substance use care; arrange transportation; housing resources; temporary assistance and food; and provide guidance in other areas of life management.		

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Care Management for Children: Assistance for children who have multiple health, mental health, and/or substance use issues as noted under Adult Care Management plus advocacy in schools, assistance with issues related to custody and court issues and connection to resources that will help strengthen the family.

Coordinated Children's Services Initiative (CCSI): For families whose children have mental health needs and who are at high risk for placement outside the home, CCSI provides a single point of access for supportive services.

Family Peer Support and Advocacy: CoveCare advocates with personal family experience and helps families navigate issues with mental health, substance use, school, court and probation. We also offer curriculum-based classes for strengthening parenting skills, and youth peer support.

Children and Family Treatment and Support Services (CFTSS): An array of rehabilitative services for children and youth under the age of 21 who are Medicaid eligible and meet medical necessity. Services can be provided in the home and the community. The program focuses on prevention and early intervention to prevent the onset or progression of behavioral health conditions.

Children's Respite: Planned recreational activities and supports for children and teens experiencing mental health challenges. The overall goal is to build positive relationships with peers, adult mentors, and to have fun while giving caregivers a much-needed break.

Supervised Visitation: Available to any person with a court order requesting supervised visitation. We provide a safe, neutral environment in which to build the parent-child bond and build trust.

Personalized Recovery-Oriented Services (PROS) PROSper helps adults with serious mental health issues to recover, heal, and gain independence. Services include goal-oriented counseling, more than 50 classes per week to choose from, medication management, and vocational counseling.

With Gratitude

Mike Piazza

2023 Sid Gibson Imagine Award Recipient

The Sid Gibson Imagine Award was created in 2014 to recognize extraordinary people who positively impact our neighbors facing mental health and substance use issues. Importantly, the Imagine award recipient imagines a community free from stigma and works tirelessly to achieve this goal.

It has been our gift to work with Mike Piazza over these years. Thank you, Mike, for all you have given us. We cannot wait to see what lies ahead in the future.

Stacey Gibson

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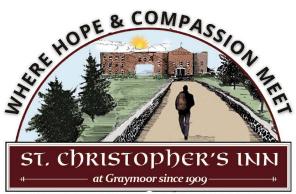
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Michael J. Piazza

2023 Imagine Award Recipient

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The Board of Directors of CoveCare Center thanks Mike Piazza for his many years of partnership to achieve our vision of a strong, united community where all people are valued, accepted, and empowered to live healthy lives. We wish Mike great success as he moves on to his next phase and we can't wait to be part of that ride as well.

We thank our sponsors and supporters for their extraordinary generosity, without whom this event would not have been possible.

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for his unending support and dedication to those with Mental Health Challenges.

Without his leadership and dedication to those in need, we wouldn't have been able to reach as many people as we have.

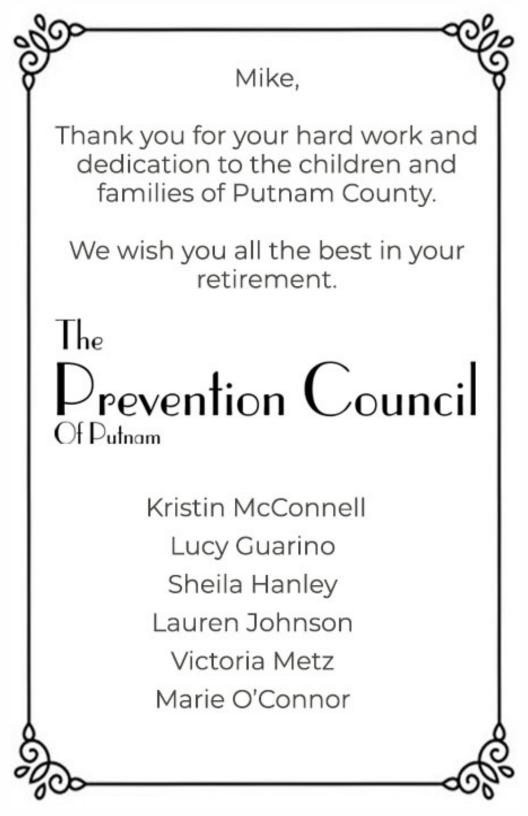
Wishing Mike the very best on his retirement!

Also, many thanks to CoveCare Center for always supporting our efforts.

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# Congratulations Michael J. Piazza for this well-deserved recognition!



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## 2023 Imagine Award Honoree

Thank you to Commissioner Piazza for his commitment and caring from a truly grateful community.



Well wishes on a happy retirement,

~ Kathleen M. Valletta, Esq. Member of the MHA Board of Directors Congratulations to

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## Mike Piazza

# FROM ALL OF US AT ARMS ACRES

Take pride in the LEGACY you have created and the many lives you have touched!

Happy Retirement!

# Happy Retirement!

Thank you Commissioner Michael Piazza Jr. for your service!

We honor your many years of leadership in our community. We are grateful for your partnership.

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# Michael J. Piazza

2023 Imagine Award Honoree



It has been an absolute pleasure to know you, and have worked with you over the years!

Wishing you a Happy Retirement!

~ Liza, Cindy, Krista & Mariel ~ CoveCare Center

Best Wishes to CoveCare for a successful 2023 Gala and Congratulations to Michael Piazza! from Michael Cunningham and Theresa Burdick



Congratulations Michael J. Piazza Commissioner of Putnam County Social Services, Mental Health & Youth Bureau, for your 40+ years of service

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## Commissioner Michael J. Piazza



Mike has been the Putnam County Commissioner of Mental Health, Social Services and the Youth Bureau since April 1994.

He began his career in Putnam County in 1979 for the Department of Mental Health as a Substance Abuse Counselor. Over the years he has taken on successive responsibilities as the Director of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services and as the Director of Mental Health Services prior to being appointed Commissioner.

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