



**Eastern's Jaycees Donate Funds  
August 7, 2014**

Eastern NY Correctional Facility (Ulster County) Jaycees Organization presented a check for donation of \$600.00 to the Family of Woodstock's Midway Transitional Living Program on July 23, 2014. The Jaycees organization conducts the Click Click Program at Eastern and with the help of their staff advisor, Ms. Eve Simmons, selected this program as the recipient of their donation.

The Midway program provides long-term housing and case management services to runaway and homeless youth between the ages of 16 and 21 throughout Ulster County. The program residents create service plans with goals that will lead them to independent living. These goals include education, securing employment, managing mental health, addressing substance abuse needs, as well as making health decisions for their future.

While at Midway, program residents participate in house groups, life skills groups and daily check-ins regarding their progress towards attaining these goals. The donation from Eastern NY will go towards recreational activities for the residents.

"The Family Woodstock's Midway Transitional Living Program provides a much-needed resource for the County's young "at risk" population. It was quite interesting to learn about what the program offered," stated Kenneth Colao, Deputy Superintendent for Programs. "At Eastern, we advise our organizations to select viable programs and organizations that have an established need for funding. This program is certainly a viable program. We look forward to continuing our association with the Family of Woodstock."



**From l. to r.: Eve Simmons, Jaycees Staff Advisor; Jessica Ropke, Case Manager, Midway II; Jose Escobar, Jaycees President; Jennifer Pineda, Program Director, Midway II; Kenneth Colao, Deputy Superintendent for Programs.**