

## WIHD OPENS THERAPEUTIC GARDEN

With the help of community partners and the initiative of one of its staff members, Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD) opened a new garden called "Adam's Garden" on July 15 to provide therapeutic benefits to children and families and engage young adults with disabilities in community service. Filled with seasonal flowers and plantings, this landscaped area is a small, but impactful, community program at the WIHD site at 20 Hospital Oval in Valhalla. The garden is the brainchild of 24-year-old **Brendan Klein** who was hired with a grant from the Taft Foundation to expand community service opportunities for young adults with disabilities. Community partners Pleasantville Community Garden and St. John's Episcopal Church helped restore the garden, which is named in memory of **Adam Brickel**, the son of WIHD Director of Community and Family Education **Naomi Brickel**, Klein's supervisor.

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