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Orange County Internship Inspires Local College Student to Volunteer on Regular Basis

Donates time to County, community during emergencies

Goshen – A fifteen-week internship program at Orange County Department of Emergency Services, Division of Emergency Management served as an inspiration for Washingtonville local Matthew Bucco, a soon-to-be senior at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, to begin serving the County as a volunteer during complex incidents or emergency events.

“As a direct result of his experience during the internship, Mr. Bucco is now choosing to donate his time to lend a helping hand to his neighbors during emergencies on a regular basis,” said Deputy Commissioner Seamus K. Leary.

Bucco explained that his internship was not a typical office job, but one where he had the opportunity to interact with emergency professionals, at all levels, including emergency managers, planners, dispatchers, police, fire, and medical personnel. These events led him to offer his services to the County when needed during emergencies.

“Matthew picked-up projects and just ran with them,” said Orange County Radiological Officer Casey Karsten. “He was a great help to us. I’m glad we’ll be seeing him in the future.”

For more information on the Orange County Division of Emergency Management, please visit www.orangecountygov.com/dem.

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(L-R) Orange County Radiological Officer Casey Karsten and Mount Saint Mary College student Matthew Bucco at the County's Emergency Services Center in Goshen, NY.