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**For Immediate Release**

Due to declining enrollments and the increased costs of operations Bradford County will be closing the Burlington Day Care Center. The center has a capacity of forty-one children. However, enrollment is currently at fourteen with only five participants that are attending a full week. At this level of enrollment, the operation is not economically sustainable for the county.

Closing the Burlington Daycare operation is expected to save \$56,000.00 per year.

There are 4 full time and two part time staff members at the facility. Some staff will be laid-off some will also be transferred to open positions in other facilities. Equipment and supplies will be transferred to other county operated facilities.

Bradford County Human Services is in the process of a full review of its day care services taking into consideration both the needed services and financial aspect of providing the services.

The center is expected to cease operations on February 20<sup>th</sup>. The Bradford County Child Care Information System will provide families with information on other providers in the area that can meet their needs. The closing of the Burlington Day Care will not impact daycare subsidies in Bradford County for residents in need of Day Care.