

# First-Year Hill Area Handbook



Everything you need to know about your new home

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# The Office for Residential Life and Housing Services

## First-Year Hill- Staff and Student Leaders

- **Area Coordinator (AC)**-Scott Sheehan is the professional staff member who oversees the daily operations of Genesee and Susan B. Anthony (SBA) residence halls. Duties include coordinating check-in and check-out; supervising Graduate Head Residents (GHRs), and Resident Advisor staff; maintaining records; advising student groups; and meeting with students to discuss problems. He can be reached by email at [ssheeha4@reslife.rochester.edu](mailto:ssheeha4@reslife.rochester.edu) and by phone at 585-275-8764. His office is in Morgan 104.
- **Graduate Head Resident (GHR)**- Xinyuan “Tom” Yi (Susan B. Anthony floors 4-6) and Sophie Mackenzie (Genesee floors 4-7 and Susan B. Anthony floors 1-3). The GHR is a current graduate student whose responsibility is to supervise a Resident Advisor Staff and to work with student leadership groups within the residence halls.
- **Area Secretary**-Panagiota “Yola” Kangelidis- Yola handles lock changes, room condition forms, bed height changes, reservation of Friel and Harper lounges, and many other duties. She is located in Morgan 104 can be reached by email at [pkangeli@reslife.rochester.edu](mailto:pkangeli@reslife.rochester.edu) and by phone at 585-275-8764.
- **Associate Director (AD)**-Michael Pettinato. The Associate Director for the First-Year Areas responsibilities include overseeing the First-Year Quad, First-Year Hill, Hill Court, Southside, as well as summer housing programs. His office is in the First-Year Quad Area office and can be reached by phone at 585-275-5685 or by email at [m.pettinato@rochester.edu](mailto:m.pettinato@rochester.edu).
- **Resident Assistant (RA)**- Each hall has an RA who lives on the hall and works closely with residents to help establish a healthy and enjoyable community atmosphere. These upper-class students are here to answer any questions you may have about living at the University. RAs are trained to advise you on most concerns and problems that you may have in all areas, including roommate mediation, student counseling, academic and social support.
- **ESW and Maintenance**- The housekeeping staff—made up of seven Environmental Safety Workers (ESWs) and a working leader—is supervised by Dewann Perry. The ESW staff is responsible for cleaning bathrooms, hallways, lounges, offices, and other public areas in SBA. They do not clean student rooms nor are they responsible for cleaning areas that are made excessively dirty by residents or those areas that are abused as a result of resident or visitor use. The ESWs, for the most part, are assigned to specific floors. We encourage you to get to know these wonderful, hard-working people. These staff members generally work 5:30am-2:00pm Monday-Friday.
- **Dandelion-(D’Lions)**-D’Lions are chosen to promote school spirit and a sense of community through campus social events and community service programs. They encourage interaction between students, the University, and Rochester communities. They typically decorate halls, coordinate birthday celebrations, and organize specific hall and campus-wide events. D’Lion rosters can be found on the CCC website: <https://ccc.rochester.edu/organization/dlions>
- **Fellows**-The Fellows are upper-class students with strong academic credentials and an impressive record of campus involvement. They applied to live in First-Year Housing Areas so that they could help introduce First-Year students to the rich array of academic, social, and co-curricular opportunities available on campus.
- **EcoReps** -The EcoReps will work to promote environmentally responsible behavior in the residence halls. Through their training and knowledge, these students will hold events to inform their hall mates about sustainability and sustainable practices on campus. The program itself strives to create an environmentally literate student population, which will reduce the campus’s ecological footprint by advocating change in the behaviors and attitudes of our campus culture.
- **Leadership Ambassadors**-The First-Year Hill Leadership Ambassador team is comprised of three first-year students who make the area a better place to live. The council organizes activities, allocates funds to various building undertakings, and advises the administrative staff and Graduate Head Residents on area issues and concerns. The council’s budget comes from student activities fees. In past years, the First-Year Hill Leadership Ambassadors have organized annual events including Sue Boo, exam study breaks, the SBA/Quad Olympics, a glow-paint dance, and Sue Done It.

## Locations of Useful Things

- **Vending-**
  - For SBA, Vending machines are located in the basement near the laundry room.
  - Genesee vending Machines will be located on the third floor of the building.
- **Laundry**
  - For SBA, laundry is located in the basement and on the 7th floor. To access the 7th floor you must take the elevator to the 6th floor then climb stairs up to 7th floor.
  - For Genesee, laundry is located on the 3rd floor.
- **Trash/Recycling**
  - For SBA, there is trash room located on each floor as well as recycle bins located by the kitchen.
  - For Genesee, there is a trash and recycling room on each floor.
- **Common Kitchens**
  - For SBA, there is kitchen located on each floor.
  - For Genesee, there is a kitchenette located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

## Reservable Rooms

- For SBA, Harper and Friel lounges are reservable rooms. To reserve call or stop by the Area office.
  - Harper is a conference style room with a conference table and seating for 12 and additional couch seating.
  - Friel is a large space with moveable furniture (couches, love seats, and chairs) that can fit large groups (50+) students. It has technology (projector and screen) installed. A private kitchen is attached to Friel.
- For Genesee, there are many reservable rooms on the third floor including small study rooms and large conference rooms complete with technology. These rooms are reserved through EMS where more specifics on the room can be found.

## Area Resources

- **Grills-**There is a grill located outside of Genesee Hall near the swing set. Please make sure you follow fire safety code when operating the grill. If you purchase lighter fluid or charcoal for the grill it may not be stored in your residential room or in any residential space.
- **Check Out Items-**In the SBA Service Desk students are able to check out items including cleaning supplies, vacuums, brooms, board games, and pool sticks.

- **Volleyball Court**-There is a volleyball court located behind SBA near Jackson court
- **Bike Rack**-There is a bike rack located between SBA and University Health Services.
- **Solarium**- The solarium is a non-reservable space is viable for student use and features moveable furniture, a piano, and a pool table. It is located on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of SBA
- **Media Lounge**-The media lounge features an air hockey table, a TV, and tables and chairs for studying. This spaces in non-reservable. This is space is located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of SBA.
- **ID Card Office**-ID card office is located off the main lobby of SBA Halls, in Room 114A. There you can get an ID card, arrange and modify meal plans (including adding money to UROS accounts), and to receive refunds from vending machines.
- **Dining**
  - Danforth Dining is in the rear of Susan B. Anthony Hall on the first floor.
  - Hillside Market is located behind the ID office. Hillside Market offers quick, grab- and-go service, coffee, and groceries.

**Service Desk**-The service desk is open nightly to help sign to items including cleaning supplies, vacuums, brooms, board games, and pool sticks. Hours for the service desk will be posted outside the service desk. You must have an I.D when checking items out. The service desk is in the lobby of SBA.

### **Area Unique Policies**

- **Affinity Housing**
  - Substance Free housing- Students who live on substance free floors agree to live a substance free lifestyle.
  - Quiet Study Floors-Students who live on this floor agree to live a quiet lifestyle to allow peers the availability to study in the residence hall.
  - Smoke Free- Students on this floor agree to not partake in smoking even outside of the residence hall. The university will become tobacco free starting August 15th.