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Schenectady Community Ministries (SiCM.)

Ariel White is the Food Pantry Program Coordinator for Schenectady Community Ministries (SiCM.) SiCM addresses public health needs such as food insecurity and nutrition education, racism and diversity concerns, and summer recreation through community collaborations and exceptional services and programs. As Program Coordinator, Ariel oversees the serving of approximately 70,000 meals per month in the form of groceries in Schenectady County.

In 2012 Ariel joined Peace Corps as a youth development volunteer where she developed and implemented several youth programs in collaboration with her local counterparts. Ariel played an instrumental role in the local schools, working with educators to develop literacy programs and after school activities. Upon returning to the Capital District in 2015, she continued in the field of education through her role of Pre-School Teacher for Schenectady Community Action Program.

Ariel attended St. Bonaventure University, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts in Social Science, and participated in several mission trips, including assisting in Louisiana and Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina. This experience combined, with the Peace Corps, drove her back home to Schenectady where she is now able to work directly with her community and assist individuals with meeting their everyday needs.