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June 2025

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Consolidated Funding Applications Due by July 31

The deadline for submitting the NYS CFA is 4pm

on Thursday, July 31st. Organizations can apply for ROUND XV REDC funding awards by completing the application form at https://apps.cio.ny.gov/apps/cfa/

CFA Roadshow Workshop at C-GCC

The GCEDC and Choose Columbia are working with NYS Empire State Development to host the 2025 CFA Roadshow Presentation at Columbia-Greene Community College, Saland Forum, Thursday, June 12 1:00-2:30 PM. Updates on this year's application will be covered. Register for the workshop at https://www.tickettailor.com/events/cedccolumbiaeconomicdevelopmentcorporation/1706830

Village of Catskill DRI Workshop



The Village of Catskill was awarded \$10 million in NYS funding through the Downtown Revitalization Initiative.

A local planning committee meeting (open to the public) is scheduled from 5-6:30 PM on June 26th, followed by a Visioning Workshop for interested parties from 7-9 PM. Find out more at https://www.catskilldri.com/, or contact catskilldri@gmail.com with any questions.



Greene County Presentation at NYS EDC Annual Meeting



James Hannahs (Director of Economic Development, Tourism & Planning) and Teri Weiss (Director of Business Marketing) attended the event in Cooperstown from May 21-23. James was the panel moderator for a breakout session around the topic of spurring economic development in rural communities. The panel addressed the challenges of access to capital for new and existing small

businesses and entrepreneurs. They also talked about how locally tailored solutions are encouraging development and building resilient local economies, as well as revitalizing Main Streets throughout New York.

Athens NY Forward Community Meeting



The first Local Planning Committee Meeting regarding the use of Athens' \$4.5 Million NY Forward award will be held from 6-8 PM on Wednesday, June 4th at the Athens Municipal Building at 2 First Street in the village. These meetings are open to the public, and interested community members are encouraged to attend. For more information email AthensNYF@gmail.com

TOURISM



Tulip Walk Celebrates Spring

Despite the difficult weather, attendees enjoyed the 2025 Tulip Walk at Meadowbrook Farm Catskills. Visitors savored delicious food from Smokin' Joe's BBQ, Church St. Catering, and more—plus drinks under the big tent. Live music was performed by Jasperoo, Brad Berk, and Second Chance, and the many vendors enhanced the overall experience.

Earth Day Event at Thomas Cole



The Earth Day and Arbor Day celebration at the Thomas Cole National Historic Site was a big hit, featuring a free Sunday event in the Cole Center with community partners from The Forest Exchange, Greene County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Catskill Tree Council. The sold-out tree tour led by 2025 Cole Fellow Elizabeth Jacks was the highlight of the weekend! Guided Tours are offered every Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm—and the gardens and grounds are open daily as a free public park.

Four Seasons Filmed in Greene County



The Great Northern Catskills hits the big screen once again in a new Netflix rom-com series starring Tina Fey, Steve Carell, Will Forte, and Colman Domingo. The eightepisode series, released May 1, features scenes filmed at the stunning Kaaterskill Falls in September 2024. Catch a glimpse of the local scenery in the trailer here: https://www. greatnortherncatskills.com/film#gallery-6

Events in Greene County



Visit our website for upcoming events and festivals, including Concert in the Catskills, Grey Fox Blue Grass Festival and TAP NY. https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events

PLANNING

Village of Catskill Water & Sewer Upgrades

Work has begun on the replacement of water mains, some 100-years old, and lining or replacement of the sanitary sewers. Various other repairs and upgrades are going to be completed throughout the Village at both the water and sewer plants. The first phase of these projects has begun on Main Street. For responses to frequently asked questions, go to https://villageofcatskillny. gov/vertical/sites/%7B1913022A-1115-4457-A22D-7B54682CF5DD%7D/uploads/Water-Sewer Upgrades FAQ.pdf

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