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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Greene County Paramedic Training Awards

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Get Paramedic Certification – ON US!



The Greene County Legislature will award 20 Paramedic Training Awards of up to \$14,500.00 each. Candidates must be sponsored by an entity with a Certificate of Need (CON). Once successfully completing an accredited Paramedic program that has been approved by the county and passing the NYS Department of Health (DOH) Division of Emergency Medical Services certification exams. Award recipients agree to actively serve as a Paramedic within Greene County for a provider with a CON for a period of at least four (4) years. Find out more at greene-county-paramedic-training-awards

Funding Obtained for 2026 Round of MULTI Grants



Round 1 of the MULTI Grant Program was a great success assisting small businesses across Greene County with grant monies for utilities,

logistics, technology, and inventory. Grant funds from \$5,000 to \$35,000 will be made available to eligible businesses in 2026. As part of the application process, mandatory business workshop classes will be required for all MULTI Grant applicants. These sessions begin in January and cover essential topics such as business planning, marketing, and financial management. While mandatory for applicants, the workshops are open to all business owners in Greene County who wish to build their skills and knowledge. Find out more at greene-county-edc.com/microenterprise-assistance-grant

Villages of Catskill and Athens Finalize DRI & NY Forward Priority Projects



At the final Local Planning Committee meeting on November 18, 2025, the Committee unanimously voted to approve the final slate of proposed projects that will be recommended to the State for DRI funding. Time was held for public comment at the end of the LPC meeting. You can review the presentation, project summary, project handouts, meeting audio, and the project summary table at catskilldri.com/opencall



NY Forward awarded the Village of Athens \$4.5M to develop a Strategic Investment Plan and implement key catalytic projects that advance the community's vision for revitalization. The local planning committee, along with the state, local partners, and consultants, will work to develop and refine these proposed projects, with the goal of prioritizing investments towards key projects that can have transformative impacts on the community. View the projects at athensnyf.com/projects

TOURISM

Quack Quack Greenville Duck Auction



Quacks, snacks, cocktails, and ART—it all came together for an unforgettable night that raised funds for the restoration of Prevost Hall! Guests flocked to see the dazzling lineup of Quack Quack Greenville 2025 Ducks as they were auctioned off to their forever homes. The raffle were very well received with lucky winners

walking away with gorgeous fall floral centerpieces, a festive autumn décor display, and even two tickets to the Trans-Siberian Orchestra at the MVP Arena.

Greene County Tourism Spreads the Magic of Fall & Winter in the Great Northern Catskills



Melissa Peñate, Senior Tourism Marketing & Sales Coordinator, attended the Fall/Winter Dream Destinations Travel Show at MGM Springfield, where the Great Northern Catskills of Greene County showcased our adventures, attractions, and all we have to offer to more than 2,300 travelers from five states, along with over 35 travel agents. The Great Northern Catskills of Greene County was featured on a three-page spread in the Fall/Winter Dream Destinations Getaway Guide, handed out at the show and online to over 250,000 readers on MassLive.com. A special thank you to Wylder Windham and The Perch Hotel each for providing a two-night stay giveaway at their unique lodging properties. Read more at greenecountyny.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/FALL-2025.pdf

The Greene County Resort Association - A catalyst for the Tourism Industry in Greene County



Greene County Resort Association, originally founded in the early 1940s by local resorts and family-run “mom and pop” motels, have donated two benches to the county for installation outside the entrance of the new Greene County Visitor Center. The addition provides a warm and inviting first impression for guests exploring the region. The benches are placed at the main entrance to the newly opened visitor center, reinforcing the Association’s long-standing motto, “We are glad you are here!” This simple but meaningful message reflects the spirit that helped shape Greene County’s tourism identity long before the establishment of the county’s official Tourism Department. Read more at porcupinesoup.com/greene-county-resort-association-donates-benches-for-new-visitor-center

PFC Willie “Mack” Jackson honored as 2025 Veteran of the Year



The Greene County Veterans Service Agency proudly honored lifelong Catskill resident, Army PFC Willie “Mack” Jackson as the 2025 Greene County Veteran of the Year. Mr. Jackson served with distinction in the U.S. Army’s 4th Infantry Division from 1960–1962. After completing his service and returning to his hometown of Catskill, he

remained deeply involved in the veteran community as a lifetime member of the VFW. He dedicated decades to supporting local youth through the Catskill Boys Club and Catskill Little League. A heartfelt thank you and congratulations to PFC Willie “Mack” Jackson for all you have done to honor your country and Greene County.

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