

Capital Region Economic Development Council Columbia County Awards 2011 – 2015

2011 CFA Awards

Columbia County Industrial Development Agency

Columbia County Rail Transloading Facility

The Columbia County Industrial Development Authority will develop a new transloading facility to serve Hudson Valley businesses that lack direct rail access. The facility will enable these businesses to transfer goods from trucks to rail cars for shipping and to move incoming products from rail cars to trucks. The project will increase economic productivity in Columbia County and improve the efficiency and cost competitiveness of shipping goods.

DOT \$2,208,600.00

Historic Hudson Inc.

Dr. Oliver Bronson House Restoration

Historic Hudson, Inc. will complete Phase II of the restoration of the Dr. Oliver Bronson House by completing the exterior stabilization of the house, securing the building envelope, and protecting the house from further deterioration and loss of historic fabric so it can be returned to use for public benefit. Sited on a bluff overlooking the South Bay of the Hudson River on 52 acres of open space, the Dr. Oliver Bronson House serves as a magnet for the city, providing a park-like setting and increased public access to this historic site as part of the ongoing revitalization of the City of Hudson.

OPRHP \$300,000.00

Housing Resources of Columbia County, Inc.

Housing Resources Emergency Repair Program

Rehabilitate 10 homes with grants of up to \$7,500 for emergency housing repair needs for elderly, frail elderly and physically disabled homeowners in Columbia County.

HCR \$75,000.00

Housing Resources of Columbia County, Inc.

HRCC HOME Improvement Program

Rehabilitate 22 owner-occupied homes, some targeted to the elderly or physically disabled, in the City of Hudson in Columbia County.

HCR \$300,000.00

Housing Resources of Columbia County, Inc.

HRCC Home Improvement

Program Home improvement of 22 units on various sites in Columbia County.

HCR \$300,000.00

Hudson Opera House, Inc.

First Floor Restoration

The Hudson Opera House will complete a key part of the fourth and final phase of the Opera House restoration - improvements to the first floor, including the badly deteriorated historic Common Council Chambers and anteroom, for community use. New York State's oldest surviving theatre (1855), located in the heart of downtown Hudson, the nonprofit multi-arts center offers more than 1,000 programs, most of them free, to 52,000 visitors each year.

OPRHP \$400,000.00

The Olana Partnership

Olana Restoration Project

The Olana Partnership will implement a major aspect of Olana's Landscape Restoration Plan - the restoration of the historic North Meadow. Designed by Hudson River School artist Frederic Church (1826-1900) as a work of 19th-century landscape gardening, the historic 250-acre landscape is equal in historic and artistic importance to Olana's house and collections. The completed project will provide a transformational change to the Olana landscape, restoring the historic meadows and pastureland and reopening views that have been lost over the last 100 years to second- and third-growth forest.

OPRHP \$274,125.00

Valatie Housing Group, LP

Valatie Senior Citizen Housing

New construction of 32 rental units for seniors and persons with physical disabilities in the Village of Valatie.

HCR \$1,669,265.00

Village of Kinderhook

The Kinderhook Wastewater Collection System

Assist the Village of Kinderhook in construction of a central sanitary sewer collection system, allowing the Dutch Inn to open and create 37 jobs, of which approximately 22 will benefit low- and moderate- income New Yorkers.

HCR \$285,000.00

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Columbia Economic Development Corporation

Value-Added Agricultural Program

Columbia County Economic Development will help four existing value added producers and processors with expansion projects in Columbia County: Hudson-Chatham Winery in Ghent; Beth's Farm Kitchen in Stuyvesant; Pampered Cow in Ghent; and Chatham Brewing in Chatham.

Ag & Mkts \$82,200

Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association Inc.

Harlem Valley Rail Trail Planning Chatham to Philmont

The Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association will prepare the designs for the final 11 miles of the 46-mile Harlem Valley Rail Trail from its terminus at Railroad Plaza in the Village of Chatham south to Pesseur Road in the Village of Philmont.

Parks \$258,750

Shaker Museum and Library

Mount Lebanon North Pastures

The Shaker Museum and Library will acquire 61 acre north pastures. A national historic landmark located in the Town of New Lebanon. The acquisition is the next step in the museum's plan to develop an anchor cultural and tourism destination.

Parks \$150,000

The Olana Partnership

Restoration of East Lawn Plantings and Coachman's House

The Olana Partnership will restore historic landscaping in the area that surrounds the main house at Olana State Historic Site.

Parks \$343,000

Taconic Farms, Inc.

Animal Care Technicians Training Program

Taconic Farms, Inc. of Germantown and Rensselaer will train 50 workers.

DOL \$6,041

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Casella Organics

Purchase of M&E to manufacture animal bedding from paper mill residuals. The project is in partnership with Columbia County Economic Development.

SD EPCAP \$180,000.00

Catamount Ski Resort & Adventure Park

Full Service Four Season Destination

Infrastructure for development of a Columbia County ski area into a four season resort. Phase I includes 60 one, two, and three bedroom units, indoor/outdoor pool, fitness center, restaurant, meeting rooms, locker rooms, etc.

ESD Grants \$1,000,000.00

Columbia County

Eurial Feasibility Study

Columbia County has attracted the international cheese company Eurial, which would like to expand. Funds will examine the potential expansion in the region to serve local, regional, and national markets.

ESD SPFS \$35,000.00

Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association Inc

Harlem Valley Rail Trail Construction from Copake to Hillsdale

The Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association is seeking funding for the construction of 1.54 miles of Rail Trail in southeastern Columbia County, from Black Grocery Road in Copake to Anthony Street in Hillsdale. Construction of this section of the trail will link with the Town of Hillsdale to the Roeliff Jansen State Park and Roeliff Jansen Community Library. It will bring the quiet Hamlet of Hillsdale within the Harlem Valley Rail Trail's sphere of economic vitality.

Parks PA \$375,584.00

Housing Resources of Columbia County, Inc.

City of Hudson State Street Revitalization Project

Housing Resources of Columbia County Inc. will use \$100,000 in Rural Area Revitalization Projects funds to renovate a four-unit residential property on State Street in the City of Hudson. HCR RARP \$100,000.00

Hudson Development Corporation

Hudson Day Care Center

The Hudson Development Corporation will use \$150,000 in Rural Area Revitalization Projects funds to assist a daycare center building in the City of Hudson.

HCR RARP \$150,000.00

Rock Solid Development LLC

Catamount Resort

Situated at the Catamount Ski Area in the southern end of the famed Berkshires Region, Phase I of the project seeks to convert Catamount Ski Resort & Adventure Park into a full service four season destination.

ESD MNY \$200,000.00

The Olana Partnership

Design and plans for restoration of the Main Barn complex at Olana State Historic Site

The Olana Partnership (TOP) will create design documents for the stabilization and restoration of the 19th Century Main Barn complex at Olana, the home, studio, farm, and landscape designed by Hudson River School artist Frederic Edwin Church, with the eventual goal of restoring the entire barn structure so that it can be opened to the public. When

completed, the restoration of the barn will enable TOP to expand program offerings and increase visitors.

Parks HPA \$195,000.00

Hudson Valley AgriBusiness Development Corporation

Local Food Distribution Hub Network

Establish Mid-Hudson/Capital Region LTL Local Food Distribution Hub which will allow farmers to cost effectively get their product to market. Funds will be used to build a facility, in Sullivan County, Columbia County will retrofit 10,000 SF of space.

ESD Grants \$225,000.00

2014 Awards

City of Hudson

Stormwater Separation Project

The City of Hudson will use \$600,000 in NYS CDBG funding assistance to replace 525 linear feet of 24"-42" sanitary and stormwater lines along Front Street in the City. The total project cost is estimated at \$600,000.

HCR CDBGPI \$600,000

Columbia County

Hudson North Bay Recreation and Natural Center

The project is to design a recreational and natural trail within walking distance of downtown Hudson on lands that include the former Hudson Landfill.

Parks PADP \$131,250 80

Friends of Clermont

Enhance Development Capabilities

The Friends of Clermont will hire a Development and Marketing Associate. This position will enhance the organization's member relations, increase its capacity to develop new funding streams, communicate its activities more effectively, raise awareness and build new audiences.

Arts WIP \$48,000

Friends of Taconic State Park

Copake Iron Works Furnace Cornerstones Stabilization

The Friends of Taconic State Park will re-build the four cornerstones of the 19th century blast furnace at Copake Iron Works. The cornerstones will be fabricated to replicate the original cornerstones which were removed after a 1938 hurricane. The replacement of the cornerstones is the last remaining item of a multi-phase program to save this centerpiece of the Copake Iron Works historic site.

Parks HPADP \$50,000

Premier Personal Products Corporation

Premier Capital Region Infrastructure Improvements

Purchase of machinery and equipment to install and construct the necessary infrastructure improvements for 5 product lines to bring in-house what is currently outsourced.

ESD Grants \$200,000

Shaker Museum and Library

Mount Lebanon Shaker Great Stone Barn Preservation and Tourism Development

The proposed project for the iconic Great Stone Barn at Mount Lebanon, the world's most important Shaker historic site, will be used to reconstruct the ground level flooring, known as the Stable Floor, to permit public access to a monumental 5,200 square-foot open-air space to host museum visitors, tours, special events and programming and make the building accessible for Heritage Tourism. Parks

HPADP \$500,000

The Olana Partnership

River Crossing Creative Marketing

Olana and the Thomas Cole National Historic Site are partnering to launch a joint exhibition of contemporary art, entitled "River Crossing". The project's primary goal is to attract new visitors to the region through a comprehensive multi-media marketing plan, and the creation of a documentary film.

ESD MNY \$200,000

Town of Ancram

Sewer Study

The Town of Ancram will complete an engineering report to evaluate sewer service to fifty properties in the Hamlet of Ancram.

DEC EPGP \$30,000

Town of Germantown

Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project

The Town of Germantown will complete an engineering report to evaluate the Town of Germantown wastewater treatment plant.

DEC EPGP \$30,000

Hudson Opera House

Market Hudson NY

The Hudson Opera House will commission a Visitor Demand Study based on primary market research, to survey frequent travelers and conduct in-depth interviews to assess the needs of the growing tourism market within a 20 mile radius of Hudson and create a plan for developing and promoting the area and region to meet its growing needs.

ESD MNY \$60,000

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BNL, Inc.

BNL Marketing and Promotion Program

Behold! New Lebanon will expand its marketing efforts beyond the Capital Region to target audiences in New York City, Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut, New Jersey and the Berkshires. Behold! New Lebanon aims to attract more tourists to their unique living museum of contemporary rural American life.

ESD MNY \$25,000

City of Hudson

Upper Union Street Green Stormwater Retrofit

The Upper Union Street Green Stormwater Retrofit Project will use stormwater tree planters to intercept rainfall and prevent it from entering their combined sewer system along Union Street in the City of Hudson. The green street retrofit will include approximately 3,000 ft. along upper Union Street. The stormwater trees will infiltrate rainfall and help to reduce

combined sewer overflows into the Hudson River. This pilot project will help the City to decide where to install similar green infrastructure practices throughout the community.
EFC GIGP \$248,400

Columbia County

Research Center Study

Columbia County will undertake complete a study to determine the feasibility of constructing a Research Center and identification of a breed conducive to the NYS climate.

ESD SPFS \$75,000

Hudson Development Corporation

Hudson Opera House

Renovations to the Hudson Opera Housing including restoration of the theater's staircase, hall, stage and backstage, new equipment and seating, installation of a new elevator and windows, and other improvements.

ESD Grants \$1,300,000

Hudson Valley Creamery, LLC

Hudson Valley Creamery Expansion

Hudson Valley Creamery will exercise an existing lease purchase option and expand operations at its goat milk processing plant in Columbia County by converting vacant space to receive fresh milk. The company will also purchase new machinery and equipment to enhance waste bi-product treatment, increase goat cheese processing and add new jobs.

ESD Grants \$500,000

Hudson Valley Creamery, LLC

Business Expansion

Hudson Valley Creamery will expand operations at its goat milk processing plant by converting vacant space to receive fresh milk and purchasing new machinery and equipment to enhance waste bi-product treatment.

ESD EJP \$500,000

Redburn Development Companies

The Hudson Hotel

Redburn Development Companies would acquire and rehabilitate 41 Cross Street, in Hudson. This historic building, currently used mainly for storage, was built in 1876 and would be redeveloped into a 56 room boutique hotel with fitness center and rooftop space.

ESD Grants \$1,500,000

Town of Germantown

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan

The Town of Germantown will develop a Waterfront Revitalization Plan to assess public access and recreational opportunities along the Hudson River as well as economic investment. This Plan will foster sustainability, revitalization and economic investment within the Town.

DOS LWRP \$15,000

Millay Colony for the Arts

Expanded Programmatic and Outreach Capacity

Millay Colony for the Arts will expand the Program Manager staff position to be responsible for all community outreach programs; manage a growing roster of arts education offerings in local public schools; and offer professional development programs for area teachers.

Arts WIP \$49,500