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SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE
Community and Economic Development Committee
September 6, 2012
9:45 A.M.

***Committee Members: Ira Steingart (Chair); Kathy LaBuda (Vice Chair);
Kitty Vetter; Cindy Kurpil Gieger; and Gene Benson***

AGENDA

PRESENTATION: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

RESOLUTIONS: None

DIVISION/PROGRAM UPDATE:

- Community & Economic Development Update- Luiz Aragon
- Workforce Development - Laura Quigley
- IDA - Jennifer C.S. Brylinski
- Partnership for Economic Development – Allan Scott
- Visitors Association - Roberta Byron-Lockwood
- Chamber of Commerce – Terri Ward

PUBLIC COMMENTS:



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Planning

- Economic Development Masterplan update
 - Employer survey.
 - Data collection underway.
 - August interviews/tour completed.
 - September tour being planned

- Broadband
 - NY Connect Grant opportunity being reviewed – 20% match requirement

- Micro-Enterprise Grants
 - Contracts being negotiated.
 - Two recipients withdrawn.
 - Gap financing – policy under review

- CFA Process Highlights & Updates
 - Mid-Hudson Plan progress report being finalized.
 - Priority projects selected.
 - CFA evaluations completed.

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Center for Workforce Development Highlights

1. NYS Dept of Labor is in receipt of a National Emergency Grant (NEG) that will make available \$6.4 million statewide for On-the-Job Training (OJT) contracts with businesses. An OJT is designed to be a “win-win” for the employer and the employee. Through this grant, private sector businesses hiring eligible job seekers will qualify for wage reimbursements for up to six months. Percent of wages to be reimbursed is based on total number of full time employees before the hiring of an OJT/NEG participants:

1-50 employees = up to 90% reimbursement

51-250 employees = up to 75% reimbursement

More than 250 employees = up to 50% reimbursement

The jobs must be full-time, permanent and pay at least the minimum wage of \$7.25/hour.

Reimbursement will not exceed the hourly rate of \$24.42/hr. Other requirements apply.

Eligible individuals must be unemployed for 27 weeks or more and meet the guidelines outlined in the local OJT policy. Contact people for this initiative are Pat Bevacqua or Laura Quigley who both can be reached at 807.0385.

State Unemployment Rankings July 2012
Hudson Valley Counties

County	Unemployment Rate
Putnam	7.1
Rockland	7.3
Westchester	7.6
Dutchess	8.4
Orange	8.9
Ulster	9.4
Sullivan	9.4

From July 2011 to July 2012 the number of employed individuals has decreased by -100 from 33,000 to 32,900. During the same time period the number of unemployed individuals increased from 3,100 to 3,400.

Since January the growth in total private sector jobs has remained relatively steady at +.5% (+100) until July where there is a slight increase to +.9% (+200). This is due to a net year increase of +500 jobs in the Service Providing sector offset by a loss of -300 jobs in the Goods Producing sector. The Government sector shows a net year loss of -200 jobs or -3.4%. This sector includes all levels of government.

Labor Market Profile

Resident Civilian Labor Force and Nonfarm Employment

SULLIVAN COUNTY

July 2012, June 2012, July 2011

Category	Jul 2012	Jun 2012	Jul 2011	Net Month	% Month	Net Year	% Year
Resident Civilian Labor Force	36,300	35,300	36,000	1,000	2.8%	300	0.8%
Employed	32,900	31,900	33,000	1,000	3.1%	-100	-0.3%
Unemployed	3,400	3,400	3,100	0	0.0%	300	9.7%
Sullivan County Unemployment Rate	9.4%	9.8%	8.5%	-0.4		0.9	
NYS Unemployment Rate	9.1%	9.1%	8.3%	0.0		0.8	
US Unemployment Rate	8.6%	8.4%	9.3%	0.2		-0.7	
Total Nonfarm	27,300	26,500	27,300	800	3.0%	0	0.0%
Total Private	21,600	20,400	21,400	1,200	5.9%	200	0.9%
Goods-Producing	2,200	2,200	2,500	0	0.0%	-300	-12.0%
Natural Resources, Mining and Construction	1,000	1,000	1,200	0	0.0%	-200	-16.7%
Manufacturing	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0.0%	-100	-7.7%
Service-Providing	25,100	24,300	24,800	800	3.3%	300	1.2%
Private Service-Providing	19,400	18,200	18,900	1,200	6.6%	500	2.6%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	0.0%	100	2.3%
Information	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	6,400	6,400	6,300	0	0.0%	100	1.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	4,000	2,900	3,800	1,100	37.9%	200	5.3%
Other Services	1,800	1,700	1,700	100	5.9%	100	5.9%
Government	5,700	6,100	5,900	-400	-6.6%	-200	-3.4%

COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
JULY 2012

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	RANK	COUNTY	RATE
1	Hamilton County	5.3	31	Onondaga County	8.6
2	Tompkins County	7.0	33	Madison County	8.7
2	Yates County	7.0	33	Oneida County	8.7
4	Putnam County	7.1	35	Erie County	8.9
5	Ontario County	7.2	35	Orange County	8.9
5	Saratoga County	7.2	37	Cattaraugus County	9.0
7	Rockland County	7.3	37	Cortland County	9.0
8	Genesee County	7.4	37	Essex County	9.0
9	Nassau County	7.6	40	Delaware County	9.1
9	Warren County	7.6	40	Lewis County	9.1
9	Washington County	7.6	40	Queens County	9.1
9	Westchester County	7.6	43	Broome County	9.2
13	Columbia County	7.9	44	Allegany County	9.3
13	Seneca County	7.9	44	Chemung County	9.3
15	Albany County	8.1	46	Greene County	9.4
15	Livingston County	8.1	46	Jefferson County	9.4
17	Herkimer County	8.2	46	Sullivan County	9.4
17	Otsego County	8.2	46	Ulster County	9.4
17	Schuyler County	8.2	50	Franklin County	9.5
17	Wyoming County	8.2	51	Niagara County	9.6
21	Cayuga County	8.3	52	Richmond County	9.7
21	Suffolk County	8.3	53	Steuben County	9.9
23	Dutchess County	8.4	54	Schoharie County	10.1
23	Schenectady County	8.4	55	Clinton County	10.5
23	Tioga County	8.4	55	Oswego County	10.5
23	Wayne County	8.4	57	Fulton County	10.9
27	Chautauqua County	8.5	57	Montgomery County	10.9
27	Chenango County	8.5	59	Kings County	11.0
27	New York County	8.5	60	St. Lawrence County	11.1
27	Rensselaer County	8.5	61	Orleans County	11.3
31	Monroe County	8.6	62	Bronx County	13.9

ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2012
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

August 29, 2012

US Department of Agriculture RMAP loans approved by the IDA during August:

- 1- David & Donalette Appel. In an amount up to \$50,000, for improvements to their produce building in Rock Hill to house The Krispy Apple retail store.
- 2- The Shoe Box. In the amount of \$40,000, for the expansion of a shoe store in the Village of Liberty.
- 3- Callicoon Health Food LLC. In the amount of \$40,000, for renovations and inventory needed for a health food and juice bar establishment in Callicoon, Town of Delaware.

Millennium Loans approved by the Sullivan County Funding Corporation during August:

- 1- RH Campus LLC. In the amount of \$75,000, for equipment and renovations at an existing building to house a specialty retail store in Rock Hill.

In August conducted regular and reconvened meetings of IDA. Conducted special meeting of Ag LDC. Conducted special meeting of Sullivan County Funding Corporation.

Work continued with Holiday Mountain regarding the New York State Dormitory Authority's proposed funding for infrastructure related to an expansion project. Additional information was submitted to the Authority.

Bids for Red Meat Facility site work to be opened on September 4, 2012.

Jennifer CS Brylinski
IDA Executive Director