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SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE
Community and Economic Development Committee
March 3, 2016
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Joe Perrello; Catherine Owens; and Nadia Rajsz*

AGENDA

PRESENTATION: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS: None

RESOLUTIONS: None

DIVISION/PROGRAM UPDATE:

- IDA - Jen Flad
- Partnership for Economic Development – Marc Baez
- Visitors Association - Roberta Byron-Lockwood
- Workforce Development – Laura Quigley
- Community & Economic Development – Freda Eisenberg

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ACTIVITY REPORT – MARCH 2016
COUNTY OF SULLIVAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

February 23, 2016

The IDA held its regular meeting on February 8th. At that meeting the Board approved: a sales tax exemption extension for Deb El Food Products and Catskill Distilling Co for their continued project completion and expansion projects. Under new business the Board approved the transfer of 13.8 acres from EPR Concord II to Catskill Regional Medical Center, and the transfer of the 457 Equities project to a new entity called 457 Equities Monticello Corp. Additionally, the Board approved the transfer of the Plastic Technologies of New York / PTNY Real Estate LLC project to Bridgeville Office Centre LLC.

In February, the County Legislature created a new Sullivan County Local Development Corporation to facilitate bonding for the Adelaar Resort Project. An organizational meeting of the new SCLDC occurred in February. The IDA Board members will comprise the Board of the new SCLDC.

The Agency had its annual Audit conducted in February. It continued work on getting all of the lease payment bills and PILOT bills collected, including annual employment number requests. Information regarding employment and sales tax exemptions were compiled including ST-340 annual reports to the State.

PILOT checks received were disbursed to the applicable taxing jurisdictions 100%, as required by New York State law.

In February the Agency will continue with its submittal of information to the State PARIS reporting system for both the IDA and the Sullivan County Funding Corporation that is due March 31. Work will also continue with assisting several applicants with their applications for loans.

Jennifer CS Brylinski
IDA



Report to Legislature January 2016

A. General Operations

1) **Activities**

- As winter begins to transition to spring there is much construction activity taking place in heart of Sullivan County. Veria Lifestyle Management is pouring concrete and moving steadily ahead with its Resort Hotel and Spa project along with the work taking place at Adelaar/Montreign. Expect increased work activity sooner than predicted based on the mild weather outlook ahead. This should have an immediate positive impact on sales tax revenue with much activity taking place at the same time.
- Small Boutique Hotels are beginning to evolve with two projects moving forward on the 17B corridor and other national chains looking in and around the Town of Thompson for future opportunities.
- The Catskills Workforce Alliance group had scheduled a meeting with the Cornell School of Hotel Administration exploring maximizing our relationship with Cornell University as well as other initiatives to bolster the hospitality workforce effort. Update: Unfortunately our scheduled meeting with Cornell was cancelled, however, we will be rescheduling promptly.
- Unemployment remains on a downward trend. Year to year we have held a (+)(-) 1% drop from 2014 to 2015. Most telling is a **2.6%** drop annually from 2013 to 2015. Demand for labor over the winter months which has been stagnant for quite some time is on the rise.

Unemployment Rate

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann Avg
2015	7.2%	7.0%	6.4%	5.9%	5.6%	5.3%	5.3%	4.8%	5.3%	5.0%	5.1%	5.2%	5.6%
2014	8.5%	8.6%	7.9%	6.7%	6.5%	6.2%	6.0%	5.8%	5.9%	5.7%	6.1%	6.3%	6.7%
2013	10.3%	9.9%	9.1%	8.4%	8.0%	7.9%	7.5%	7.0%	7.6%	7.5%	7.6%	7.7%	8.2%

- 2) **Internal/External Marketing** – the Sullivan County Partnership will be featured in several industry publications highlighting Sullivan County as a smart place to do business. The features will be a combination of editorial and advertisements reach approximately \$300,000 end readers in the site selection, development and real estate industry sectors. Underway.

- 3) **Meetings:** MBA, New York State Economic Development Council, Sullivan County Chamber, Hudson Valley Economic development Corporation, Sullivan County Workforce Development Alliance, SCP Shovel Ready Site Committee, SCP Government Affairs, Renaissance.

B. Project Updates

a. **Corporate Attraction**

- Resort destination project, as reported last month– awaiting a confirmation on a revisit to Sullivan County. Due diligence continues, however, and other sites may be considered as well.

- Manufacturing project as reported last month is going very well. The company has met with SCIDA and is in the application process phase. At this time we are waiting for NYSEG to complete their analysis to determine the cost of supply adequate power to the facility. It is important to recognize that after a search of 58 locations throughout the state we have made the final cut.

- We have been approached by a firm that manufactures cabinetry, veneer, and custom molding products for national retailers. The firm is looking to relocate from New York City and ultimately construct a 40,000 sqft production facility with 35-45 employees working full time. Principals of the firm met with us on February 3. After visiting several sites they have decided to pursue a site in the Town of Mamakating where an existing building and manufacturer exists. No conceptual designs or preliminary design engineering has taken place as of yet.

- We have joined others in the Hudson Valley reaching out to a family destination entertainment project recently rejected by another Hudson Valley county. The project could bring substantial family tourist oriented visitation to Sullivan County. Ongoing. TBD

b. Small Business/Entrepreneurial Development

- We have received an application, businesses plan and supporting documentation for Fish & Bicycle a small business being developed in Narrowsburg.
- IWW funds available \$120,295 There are currently 7 loans within this program:
- SI funds available \$ 62,689 There are currently 4 loans with this program:
- Seven loans have been fully paid in FY 2015.

c. Business Expansion

A local long time producer of organic poultry products is seeking to expand their business and update equipment for efficiency purposes. We are working directly with Empire State Development to assist and help facilitate this project.

d. Shovel Ready Sites

- The development of Shovel Ready sites and the subsequent attraction of investment to them are critical to the development of a growing middle class in Sullivan County. A critical mass of large scale projects, diverse mid level employers, and entry level options is needed to begin positively affecting our more urban centers. We are scheduling a meeting with municipal officials representing sites along the Route 17 corridor to begin putting together a framework to begin steps needed to accomplish this goal.

- e. Membership Education** - look for announcements for 3rd Annual SEQRA conference as well as ongoing e-communicés, meetings and forums relative to various projects underway.

**SULLIVAN COUNTY VISITORS ASSOCIATION
CED REPORT
MARCH 2016**

PROJECT/MEETING	SPONSOR LOCAL/STATE NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL	STRATEGY	STRENGTHS	TIMELINE/COMPLETION	IMPACT
New Developments	SCVA	Meeting with Montreign, Adelaar, and Veria Zlaving developers to begin promotion and working together	All	Ongoing	SCVA is working with these developers and others to assist with their promotion and how it works with existing business
Tourism Action Day	NYSTIC	Meetings with state lawmakers on the tourism industry importance to the economy	N/A	3/1/16	Meet to discuss issues that affect the tourism industry
NYS DMO Meeting	NYSDMO	Convention and Meeting Promotion	Meeting & Conventions	2/29/16	Promotion to the meeting planners
Monticello Business Association	Partners	Assist the Monticello Main Street with developing ideas to grow	Main Street	2/25/16	Develop main streets
Customer Service Meeting	SCVA, Chamber SUNY & BOCES	Hospitality Training Strategy	All	2/25/16	Planning for front line interaction with visitors
Catskill Film Commission	SCVA & partners	Continue with developing web site and promotion of film commission	Arts & Culture	2/22/16	Increased film production in SC will enhance revenue for SC

Sport & Golf Shows	SCVA & Partners	Promotion throughout the tri-state area at outdoor sport shows and golf shows	All	February 2016	Increased visitation and spending
2016 Travel Guide	SCVA	Continued distribution of travel guide to visitors	All	Ongoing	Increased spending by 2016 visitors
SCVA Board Retreat	SCVA Board	Strategic Planning for 2016 and beyond	All	2/23/16	Strategic Plan for promotion of Sullivan Catskills
Catskill Challenge Conference Call	NYS & SCVA	Continue to plan for the upcoming Governor's Catskill Challenge	All	2/19/16	Dates and venues being organize for late June
SC Professional Women address	SCVA	Spoke with the Professional Women group	N/A	2/17/16	Informed the group on tourism in Sullivan Catskills
Catskill Mountain Resort	SCVA	Meeting with the staff of the resort to help promote	Accommodations	2/17/16	Assist a new resort to develop marketing
Ag grant proposals	SCVA & CCE	Interview firms for grant	Agritourism	2/16/16	Promotion of farm markets
NYSTIA conference call	NYSTIA	Plan for industry promotion	All	2/12/16	Through the NYS network promotion
Social media meeting	SCVA	Continue strategy for social media	All	2/11/16	Promote economically through social media
Trailkeeper.org site review	Partners	Enhance usability on site	Outdoors	2/10/16	Increase the trails and usage of the site for visitors and residents
Cool & Connected Conference Call	USDA	Expanding existing broadband on Main Streets	Main Streets	2/9/16	Learn what Main Streets can do to attract more business

Marketing Meeting	SCVA		Research and develop additional options for press relations	All	2/8/16	Utilize a Public Relations company to promote Sullivan Catskills
Paths Through History	Mid Hudson Region		Plan for the upcoming History promotion	History & culture	2/5/16	Promotion of SC Historical sites
CATS Meeting	CATS		Develop 2016 regional marketing	All	2/2/16	Promotion of the Catskill Region and Sullivan County
Fly Rod Chronicles	SCVA & Roscoe Chamber		Filming and production of fishing show	Outdoors	2/2/16 -- summer	Promote the fly fishing in Sullivan County and the area
SC Library Assoc.	SCVA		Develop brochure for county-wide libraries and their programming	Culture	2/2/16	Provide residents and visitors information on the various programs the libraries offer
CCE Ag Marketing Meeting	SCVA & CCE		Promote farm market and locally grown	Agritourism	2/1/16	Assist farmers and producers with selling product
Fly Fishing Show Somerset, NJ	SCVA & partners		Promote our outdoors	All	1/29-1/31, 2016	Increase awareness and visitation
2016 Travel Guide	SCVA		Continue to bulk ship and individual requests of 2016 travel guide	All	2016	This year's guide is already mailed to over 500 individual requests and second shipment to travel centers as well as 5 travel shows including Lakeland FL snowbird show
Film Shoot Liberty	Liberty Town		Produce a promotional video for the Town and Village of Liberty	Downtowns and outdoors	1/27/2016	Assist in a promotional video to bring business and visitors

Tourism Industry Coalition	NYS partners	Tourism issues affecting business	All	1/21.2016	Assist businesses with Statewide issues
Catskill Challenge	CATS and NYS	Plan for the upcoming Governor's Catskill Challenge	All	1/20/2016	Promotion and preparation for 2016 Challenge
Ag Committee	Partners of the Industry	Go over ag plan and next steps	Agritourism	1/19/2016	Increase the agriculture options in Sullivan
Website Meeting	SCVA	Updates to scva.net	All	2016	Update for visitor enjoyment and use
Proud to be Sullivan	Partners	Plan for future promotion	All	1/15/2016	Improve the local impression that carries over to visitor
SC Chamber Retreat	SC Chamber	Planning	N/A	1/14/2016	Assist partner of Sullivan United
2016 Sullivan Catskills Travel Guide	SCVA & partners	Promote the Sullivan Catskills through an informative response piece	All	January 6, 2016	Guide went to travel shows in January, information outlets and uploaded on-line.
Catskill Challenge	SCVA & CATS, DEC	Planning for Governor's Catskill Challenge in 2016	Event	2016	Increased promotion
ABA Marketplace	NYS	Promote the State and its motorcoach opportunities	Group travel	January 10-12, 2016	Increase group travel
NJ Outdoor Sports Show	SCVA & partners	Promote the Sullivan Catskills to consumers attending the outdoor show	All	January 7-10, 2016	Increased visitation by outdoor enthusiasts
NY Times Travel Show	SCVA & partners	Promote the Sullivan Catskills to consumers	All	January 8-10, 2016	Increased recognition of Sullivan Catskills

Strategic Planning	SCVA & Board	attending the show Plan marketing for 2016 & next 5 years	All	2016	Increase revenue for businesses and sales tax
Trailkeeper.org	SCVA and partners	Update web and events	Outdoors	December 16, 2015	Provide additional add-on to the site to improve visitor use
Catskill Film Commission	SCVA and partners	Develop a film commission to provide the necessary elements for enticing movie, TV and commercial development to Sullivan County	All	December 16, 2015	Increased revenue through filming in Sullivan County
CATS Meeting	CATS	Planning 2016 Regional advertising	All	December 16, 2015	Increased promotion of the Catskill Region
NJCAA Meeting	SUNY Sullivan	Plan for upcoming tournament	Event	December 11, 2015	NJCAA brings 8 teams from across the country to compete in championship
Workforce RFP meeting	Workforce Development	Improve Workforce	N/A	December 11, 2015	Enhance workforce and supply trained employees
CFA & URI announcements	New York State	N/A	N/A	December 10, 2015	N/A
Craft Beer Grant Webinar	NYS Dept of Agriculture	Explain recent grant program for promoting craft beverages	Agri-tourism	December 9, 2015	Increase agricultural sales
SCVA Annual Meeting	SCVA and members	Recap	N/A	December 2, 2015	Network with members and tourism businesses
Catskill Park	Catskills	Marketing	Outdoors	November 23, 2015	Increased

Coalition						marketing
Callicoon Business Association	SCVA & Callicoon Business Association	Cooperatively market with Callicoon	Main Street and Events	November 23, 2015		Increase visitation
Customer Service Committee	SCVA, SC Chamber, BOCES, SUNY Sullivan	Coordinate customer service program	All	2016		Increased customer satisfaction
Veria Z-living	Veria & SCVA	Plan for opening and marketing	Lodging	2016		Increased sales tax and room inventory
Governor's Tourism Summit	NYS	Network and develop strategies around State's tourism promotion	All	November 18, 2015		Increased tourism promotion and visitor spending
Narrowsburg Union	Narrowsburg Union & SCVA	Assist owners with marketing	N/A	November 13, 2015		Increased tourism asset and quality of life
Adelaar Development	Meet with additional attraction looking to build on site	Supply economic information to developer	N/A	November 13, 2015		Increase tourism inventory to create another attraction and visitor spending
Catskill Hospitality Focus Group	SUNY Sullivan and partners	Develop hospitality focus	All	November 12, 2015		Increased visitor experience
NYSTIA web site	NYSTIA	Promotion of NYS tourism	N/A	November 6, 2015		Increased promotion through a statewide web site
SC Partnership Retreat	SC Partnership	Strategize for future	N/A	November 6, 2015		Economic Impact
Edible Brooklyn	CATS	Promotion of our locally sourced produce to Brooklyn attendees	Agri tourism	November 5, 2015		Increase awareness of Sullivan Catskills

Nat Geotourism	National Geographic	Promote to Delaware River corridor and populate the new site	Outdoors	2015-2016	Increased promotion of the Delaware River corridor
2016 Travel Guide	SCVA and members	Production of the 2016 Travel Guide to be available for early travel show schedule	All	2015	The travel guide is a call to action for visitors and residents.
Presentation to Liberty Library	SCVA	Public Relations	N/A	November 2, 2015	N/A
Sullivan County Public Library Association	SCVA & SUPLA	Assist in promoting the many things that the county-wide libraries offer visitors and residents	Arts & Culture	2016	Asset evaluation and promotion to increase visitation to libraries
Catskill Interpretive Center and Governor Cuomo	NYS	Assisted ESD with coordinating riders to ride with the Governor and attend a luncheon where the Governor announced a \$5 million promotion for the Catskills and a Catskill Challenge event in 2016	All	2016	These funds and the Challenge will increase the promotion of the Catskill Region
NYSTIA Annual Meeting	NYSTIA	State -wide tourism industry annual meeting and awards. Roberta Byron-Lockwood was honored by you peers receiving the	N/A	October 22, 2015	Recognition of the Sullivan County Catskills and its leadership

CATS & I Love NY	CATS	Excellence in Tourism Leadership	All	2015-2016	Increased marketing objectives to spur increased visitation and spending
Weekend of Chamber Music	WCM & SCVA	Brainstorm ideas for sponsors and funding for WCM	Arts & culture	October 19, 2015	Support of the arts and culture venues in SC and increase funding
Melinda Meddaugh, Ag Coordinator	SCVA	Develop a marketing plan for the Ag grant promoting farm market and farmers	Agriculture	2016	Increase sales for agricultural partner and promote our rich Sullivan made products
Livingston Manor Chamber	Livingston Manor Chamber	Presentation and discussion with the Chamber on marketing and promotion through SCVA	All	October 15, 2015	Increase visitation to Livingston Manor
Hudson Valley Beer, Wine, Spirits and Cider Summit	Hudson Valley EDC	Attended to support local producers and get ideas	Agri-tourism	October 14, 2015	Increase ability to market and support our producers
Catskill Film Commission	SCVA, SC Planning and private partners	Create a film commission database and be a one stop for film makers	All	2015-2016	Increased revenue through film production
Sullivan County Trail Committee	Sullivan County, SCVA and trail partners	Create a comprehensive and connected trail system in Sullivan County	Outdoors	2015-2016	Promotion of the trail system for visitors and residents
USA Today Scenic	USA Today	Solicited support	All	September & October	Recognized as the

Drives		State-wide and through social channels to vote the Rt 97 Scenic Byway the people Choice for scenic drive in the U.S.				best scenic drive in the Northeast and second in the USA. Great publicity.
Geotourism Executive Committee	National Geographic and River Partners	Develop the Nat Geo highlight on the Delaware River Corridor	Outdoor Adventure and History	2015-2016		Increase awareness and visitation along the river corridor
SC Partnership Dinner	SC Partnership	Support for county economic development team and honor award recipients including Dr. Gerard Garlarneau, Roberta Byron-Lockwood and Cathy Paty	N/A	N/A		Continued working relationship with team to build economic development in Sullivan County
Small Business Administration	SCVA & SBA	Discuss opportunities for business investment in Sullivan County	All	N/A		Assist businesses with partnering with new investment
Leadership Sullivan	SC Foundation Leadership Program	Addressed the group on the importance of tourism in Sullivan County	N/A	N/A		Education of future leaders
TIC Advisory Meeting	Tourism Industry Council	NYS tourism strategies	All	Sept 30, 2015		Plan for State-wide promotion and recommendations
CVB Meeting	NYS CVB's	Discussion meeting planner strategies for increased business	Conference & Meetings	Sept 28 & 29, 2015		Increased conference and meetings revenues

WJFF Sunday Brunch	WJFF	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sept 27, 2015	Fund raiser
Beaverkill Studio Open House	Beaverkill Studio	New business	All	All	Sept 26, 2015	Increased business opportunities
2016 Travel Guide	SCVA and partners	Collection of data and development of new guide	All	All	2015	Produce a comprehensive guide for 2016
New Attraction	SC Partnership	Meet with developer on plan to build attraction and lodging	Lodging	Lodging	Sept. 18, 2015	Increased revenue
Start Up NY Stewart Airport	ESD and Start Up NY	Increase business opportunities at Stewart by giving it the ability of partnering with colleges for Start Up NY	N/A	N/A	Set. 17, 2015	Work to include Sullivan County airport
Geo-Tourism Committees	National Geographic	Webinar on program	Natural Assets, Delaware River	Natural Assets, Delaware River	2015-2016	Increase promotion and visitation
NYS Lottery	I Love NY and lottery	New promotion of vacation regions at State Fair and scratch offs	All	All	2015-2016	Promotion of the Sullivan Catskills through a lottery promotion packages.
NYC Media Night	I Love NY, Finn Partners, CATS, SCVA	Promote the Catskills local foods to media writer and concierges	All	All	Sept 9, 2015	Increase visibility of the CATS Region to food writers.
Heart-A-Thon	WSUL/WVOS	N/A	N/A	N/A	Sept. 3, 2015	Quality of Life
REAP Board Meeting	REAP	Agriculture	N/A	N/A	Sept. 2, 2015	N/A
Digital sign at 1500	SCVA & partners	Update of the digital	Fall & events	Fall & events	August 27, 2015	Increased visibility

Broadway		billboard to promote upcoming Fall season & events			to millions of travelers in the NY Metro area promoting SC Catskills

Program Employment Data

Program	Covered Period	# of People Who Found Employment	# of Businesses	Examples of Businesses
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult, Dislocated Worker & Youth	2/1/16 – 2/24/16	13 people	13 businesses	Alison Devore Contractors Anytime Home Care Catskill Medical Care Fallsburg Construction First Student Inc. Heart to Heart Home Care MB Food Processing Mid-Hudson CPL Middletown Community Health Care New Hope Manor NYC Acoustic Inc. Pyramid Floor Covering Inc. Wendgate Corp

- ❖ The CWD partnered with NYS Dept. of Labor and hosted a Job Fair on February 23 at the Monticello Fire House. There were 40 businesses from a variety of industries with well over 100 job openings. There were 288 people who visited the Job Fair. Initial feedback was very positive. We will be following up with the businesses for more formal feedback and to see if they were successful in their hiring efforts.
- ❖ Work on the Labor Shed Study has begun. The work with the college on the Hospitality Institute and the pre-apprenticeship program continues.
- ❖ Planning is starting for the summer youth employment programs. This includes the WIOA and TANF funded youth program as well as the Sullivan Renaissance Internship program.
- ❖ Meeting Highlights:
 - 2/2 SC Partnership Board meeting
 - 2/3 REAP Board meeting
 - 2/8 Workforce Development Board meeting
 - 2/11 Meeting with Town of Bethel – youth program

Unemployment Rates

Month	2015 Sullivan County	2014 Sullivan County	2015 Hudson Valley	2015 New York State	2015 United States
January	7.2	8.5	5.5	6.5	6.1
February	7.0	8.6	5.3	6.4	5.8
March	6.4	7.9	4.8	5.8	5.6
April	5.8	6.7	4.5	5.5	5.1
May	5.6	6.5	4.7	5.3	5.3
June	5.3	6.2	4.7	5.3	5.5
July	5.3	6.0	5.0	5.4	5.6
August	4.8	5.8	4.5	5.0	5.2
September	5.3	5.9	4.7	4.8	4.9
October	5.0	5.7	4.3	4.5	4.8
November	5.2	6.1	4.2	4.7	4.8
December	5.2	6.3	4.0	4.7	4.8

Labor Market Profile

Resident Civilian Labor Force and Nonfarm Employment

SULLIVAN COUNTY

December 2015, November 2015, December 2014

Category	Dec 2015	Nov 2015	Dec 2014	Net Month	% Month	Net Year	% Year
Resident Civilian Labor Force	32,800	32,900	31,900	-100	-0.3%	900	2.8%
Employed	31,100	31,200	29,900	-100	-0.3%	1,200	4.0%
Unemployed	1,700	1,700	2,000	0	0.0%	-300	-15.0%
Sullivan County Unemployment Rate	5.2%	5.1%	6.3%	0.1		-1.1	
NYS Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.7%	5.6%	0.0		-0.9	
US Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.8%	5.4%	0.0		-0.6	
Total Nonfarm	24,600	24,900	24,400	-300	-1.2%	200	0.8%
Total Private	18,700	19,000	18,500	-300	-1.6%	200	1.1%
Goods-Producing	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Natural Resources, Mining and Construction	800	900	800	-100	-11.1%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	1,600	1,500	1,600	100	6.7%	0	0.0%
Service-Providing	22,200	22,500	22,000	-300	-1.3%	200	0.9%
Private Service-Providing	16,300	16,600	16,100	-300	-1.8%	200	1.2%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,300	4,400	4,300	-100	-2.3%	0	0.0%
Information	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	900	900	1,000	0	0.0%	-100	-10.0%
Professional and Business Services	1,500	1,500	1,400	0	0.0%	100	7.1%
Education and Health Services	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	2,100	2,300	2,000	-200	-8.7%	100	5.0%
Other Services	1,500	1,500	1,400	0	0.0%	100	7.1%
Government	5,900	5,900	5,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

**COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
DECEMBER 2015**

RANK	COUNTY	RATE	RANK	COUNTY	RATE
1	Tompkins County	3.4	29	Madison County	5.1
2	Columbia County	3.5	33	Clinton County	5.2
3	Nassau County	3.7	33	Greene County	5.2
4	Albany County	3.8	33	Schoharie County	5.2
4	Rockland County	3.8	33	Seneca County	5.2
4	Saratoga County	3.8	33	Sullivan County	5.2
7	Putnam County	3.9	38	Tioga County	5.3
8	Dutchess County	4.0	39	Allegany County	5.4
8	Orange County	4.0	39	Chemung County	5.4
8	Westchester County	4.0	41	Broome County	5.5
11	Schenectady County	4.1	41	Delaware County	5.5
12	Rensselaer County	4.2	41	Wyoming County	5.5
12	Suffolk County	4.2	44	Cattaraugus County	5.7
14	New York County	4.3	44	Chautauqua County	5.7
14	Onondaga County	4.3	44	Cortland County	5.7
14	Ulster County	4.3	44	Herkimer County	5.7
17	Ontario County	4.4	48	Niagara County	5.8
17	Queens County	4.4	49	Fulton County	5.9
19	Monroe County	4.5	49	Orleans County	5.9
20	Erie County	4.7	49	Warren County	5.9
20	Yates County	4.7	52	St. Lawrence County	6.0
22	Genesee County	4.8	53	Franklin County	6.1
22	Livingston County	4.8	53	Montgomery County	6.1
22	Oneida County	4.8	53	Steuben County	6.1
25	Otsego County	4.9	56	Essex County	6.2
25	Washington County	4.9	57	Schuyler County	6.6
27	Richmond County	5.0	58	Lewis County	6.7
27	Wayne County	5.0	58	Oswego County	6.7
29	Cayuga County	5.1	60	Jefferson County	6.8
29	Chenango County	5.1	61	Bronx County	6.9
29	Kings County	5.1	62	Hamilton County	8.9