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#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

# **Consolidated Funding Applications Due by July 31**



New York State's Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) 2024 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) is now open through Wednesday, July 31st at 4 p.m. As part of Round XIV's \$455 million in awards, up to \$10 million will be available through the Small Manufacturer Modernization Grants Program, which will award grant funds to small legacy manufacturers across the state to invest in modernization and integration of advanced technologies. Grant awards will range from \$50,000 to \$250,000. Find out more at <a href="https://greenecountyedc.com/news/round-xiv-nys-redc-grant-funding/">https://greenecountyedc.com/news/round-xiv-nys-redc-grant-funding/</a>

### Via Ravioli Latest MULTI Grant Awardee



On Friday May 17, Kate Galassi and Steve Gonzalez welcomed business and community leaders to their Coxsackie based retail pasta and Italian imports shop, Via Ravioli. They were joined by their Greene County Legislator Charlie Martinez, as well as Cairo Legislators Harry Lennon and Sherry True, Greene County Sheriff Pete Kusminsky, officials from the Greene County Chamber of Commerce, members of the Greene County Economic Development team, and pasta enthusiasts from a number of local businesses. Learn more about their business and read their success story at: <a href="https://www.investingreene.com/updates/new-coxsackie-business-full-of-pasta-bilities/">https://www.investingreene.com/updates/new-coxsackie-business-full-of-pasta-bilities/</a>

# **New First-Time Homebuyer Program at BOGC**



The Bank of Greene County has launched a new program designed to help First-Time Homebuyers find and buy their dream homes. Highlights of this program include financing of up to 90%, reduced closing costs, and competitive terms. More information on this program is available here: <a href="https://www.thebankofgreenecounty.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/First-Time-Homebuyer-Program-May-2024.pdf">https://www.thebankofgreenecounty.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/First-Time-Homebuyer-Program-May-2024.pdf</a>

#### **TOURISM**

# "The Bride!" Films 1930s Scene in **Greene County**



Filmed in Ashland and Windham with logistical support of Film in Greene Commissioner, Erin Dennin, "The Bride!" is an upcoming sci-fi horror film coproduced by Warner Bros. Pictures and starring a stellar cast including, Penélope Cruz, Christian Bale, Jessie Buckley,

Peter Sarsgaard, Annette Bening, and Julianne Hough. The production transformed Cave Mountain Motel into a 1930s motel for a scene featuring vintage cars and required the collaboration of the Greene County Sheriff's department and New York State Troopers. Find out more about Film in Greene at https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/film

### **Get Ready to Explore: Greene County Tourism Delivers New Resources**



In preparation for the summer rush, the Great Northern Catskills of Greene County Tourism Team has been busy! They've delivered the brand

new 2024 Travel Guides and Vacation Maps to every town in the county, ensuring visitors have all the information they need to plan their adventures. This accomplishment was achieved just before Memorial Day, the unofficial kick-off to the summer season. If you need more collateral, reach out the tourism office at tourism@greenecountyny.gov. View the Travel Guide at https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/travel-guide



# **Greene County Charms New York by Rail Blogger:** A Train, Treats, and Stunning Scenery

The Greene County Tourism Office, along with some amazing local partners, recently hosted a blogger from New York By Rail. Their captivating experience highlighted the ease of exploring the Great

Northern Catskills by train and car. Breathtaking natural beauty took center stage, with charming towns like Leeds, Coxsackie, and Windham adding their unique flavors. And foodies, rejoice! The delicious finds included pierogies, decadent chocolates, and hearty breakfasts. A big thank you to our partners: Gracie's Luncheonette, Catskill Chocolate Co., New York Restaurant, Wylder Windham, Christman's Windham House and Golf Resort, Catskill Mountain Country Store & Restaurant, and The Tipp Tavern – for making this visit unforgettable! Read the blog at https://www.newyorkbyrail.com/great-northern-catskills-of-greene-county/

#### **PLANNING**



#### **Coxsackie to Receive Water Infrastructure Funding**

The Village of Coxsackie will receive over \$4.4 million in NYS grants and over \$1.5 million in interest free financing for planning, design, and construction of sanitary sewer collection and stormwater system improvements to reduce sanitary sewer overflows during storm events. Read the press release at https://www.governor.ny.gov/ news/governor-hochul-highlights-over-120-million-local-water-infrastructure-projects-across-new

#### **Greene County Awarded EPA Coalition Grant**

On May 20th, 2024, the US Environmental Protection Agency awarded Greene County a \$1.5 million Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant, marking the County as one of 29 awardees for this program in the Country. The grant calls for a coalition to be formed that is focused on inventorying, characterizing, and assessing potentially contaminated sites within a specific target area while also deploying preplanning and community engagement activities. Led by Greene County, the coalition includes Columbia EDC (aka Choose Columbia) and the Hunter Foundation based in Tannersville. It will deploy its efforts on an that includes the entirety of Greene and Columbia Counties and specifically targeting the Villages of Catskill and Tannersville, and the City of Hudson. More information at https://greenecountyedc.com/news/epa-awards-greene-county-1-5-million-in-brownfieldassessment-funding/

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