

**ALLEGANY COUNTY
OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT**

2014 Annual Report

The Office of Development focused our collective efforts in the development of commerce within the county through the retention, expansion and attraction of business and services.

Internet Gateway: a new Web Gateway was completed and showcased during 2014. www.alleganycountyny.com acts as a marketing tool for the county and assists people to find tools for business development, visitors to the county, residents interested in learning about services available in the county with a fresh professional scheme.

Park and Ride at the Crossroads Center: The design for the new Park and Ride at the Crossroad Center was finalized and estimates were completed. Additional funding sources will be needed to complete as designed and this is actively being pursued.

Development Services: Recognizing that additional staff resources were needed to properly work on certain projects, a contract was agreed to with IOC Services to provide these tasks with additional staff time. This contractual arrangement will continue in 2015.

KHEOPS Grant Applications: During 2014 Development and Planning has contracted with KHEOPS, formerly TVGA, to provide grant consulting services. As part of this, four projects were submitted through the annual Consolidated Funding Applications [CFA's] and have been successfully grant funded in Allegany County. In addition, KHEOPS continued grant work to get a large grant to fund the NYS Route 417 East Waterline project through US EDA. We extend our sincere thanks to our grant application partners at KHEOPS.

Crossroads Development Progress: During 2014, additional work was completed on preparing for the waterline installation to the Crossroads site. Negotiations and development plans were undertaken in combination with the IDA for sites at the Crossroads. A best use study of the area was completed that indicated the project area is compatible and economically viable for the proposed uses at this location.

Regular Meetings: Attended monthly meetings for Facilities & Communications, Committee of the Whole, Planning and Economic Development, Genesee River Wilds, Comprehensive Plan Implementation Group, STERA and the Allegany County Industrial Development Agency.

Respectfully submitted,

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