

**HUDSON RIVER VALLEY GREENWAY**  
**Combined meeting of**  
**Greenway Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley, Inc.**  
**Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council,**  
**and**  
**Greenway Heritage Conservancy HRV, Inc.**

**October 8, 2014**

**The Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home**  
**Hyde Park, NY**  
**Minutes**

**Conservancy Members Present**

Brown, Kristin Cole, Conservancy Member  
Burke, Kevin, Conservancy Secretary  
Daniels, Jane, Conservancy Member  
Griffen, Sara, Acting Chairman, Greenway Conservancy  
Lanzetta, Cindy, Conservancy Member  
Marra, Donald, Conservancy Member  
Molinaro, Marcus, Conservancy Member  
Yarabek, Stefan, Conservancy Member

**Conservancy Members Present by Proxy**

Jacks, Betsy, Conservancy Member  
Lanzetta, Cindy, Conservancy Member, Proxy held by Brown, Kristin  
Murray, Dennis, Conservancy Member

**Council Members Present**

Aldrich, J. Winthrop, Council Member  
Ames, Edward, New York City Council Member  
Chmar, Andrew, Putnam County Council Member  
Elliott, Robert, Westchester County Council Member  
Galef, Sandra, Assemblywoman, Council Member  
McHenry, Barnabas, Chairman, Greenway Council  
Porr, Johanna, Orange county Council Member  
von der Heide, Linda, Rensselaer County Council Member

**Council Members Present by Proxy**

None

**Delegates Present**

Cooper, Linda, Joint Delegate for Commissioner, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation  
Dunwell, Fran, Joint Delegate for Commissioner, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Ethier, Jamie, Joint Deputy Delegate for Secretary of State  
Gorton, Bill, Joint Delegate for Commissioner, NYS Department of Transportation  
Rooney, Frank, Joint Delegate for Commissioner, NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets

### **Advisory Members**

Bergman, Frank, Hudson River Boat and Yacht Club Association  
Rosenberg, Steve, Scenic Hudson Land Trust

### **Greenway Staff**

Campochiaro, Elizabeth, Trails and Community Outreach Director  
Castiglione, Mark, Acting Executive Director  
Keller, Scott, Trails and Special Projects Director/Finance Manager  
Johnson, Shannel, Administrative Assistant  
Lowery, Tristan, Greenway Intern

### **Call to Order**

Acting Chairman Sara Griffen called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Acting Conservancy Chairman Sara Griffen led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Welcome**

Conservancy Acting Chairman Sara Griffen introduced Assemblywoman Didi Barrett who welcomed everyone to her district and expressed her appreciation for the Greenway. She noted that one of her priorities is protection of the Hudson Valley and concluded by wishing Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro a Happy Birthday.

Council Chairman McHenry introduced Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro who welcomed everyone to Dutchess County and stressed the importance of community centers and their relationship to greater prosperity. Mr. Molinaro's 2015 budget request includes \$1 million to renew the Dutchess County Open Space Preservation program. This program would specifically be targeted to farmland preservation. He concluded by noting that the Greenway helps answer the question, "Who are we?"

Ms. Griffen introduced Town of Hyde Park Supervisor Aileen Rohr who welcomed everyone to Hyde Park and relayed how the Town has relied on Greenway funding for a variety of projects including trails development and town center planning. She expressed her appreciation for the funding and for the designation of landing at Bard Rock on the Vanderbilt Mansion property as part of the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail.

### **Presentation: Hudson River Greenway Water Trail Project**

Acting Executive Director Mark Castiglione introduced Trails and Special Projects Director/Finance Manager Scott Keller who reviewed the background and history of the water trail and updated the Boards on the current status of the trail and several ongoing projects, including a revamped website and guidebook and a new map set being developed. Mr. Keller's presentation appended to and a part of these minutes.

### **Presentation: Hudson River Valley Greenway and National Heritage Area Strategic Plan**

Consultant Peter Fairweather reviewed the steps taken to date, presented a draft for adoption of the *Hudson River Valley Greenway and National Heritage Area Strategic Plan*.

### **Agenda Review**

Acting Chairman Griffen noted that a joint session of the Board is being added to allow the consideration of the adoption of the Strategic Plan and called for other changes/additions to the agenda. There being no others she moved onto the rest of the agenda.

### **Minutes of June 3, 2014 Combined Meeting of the Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council, Greenway Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley, Inc. and Greenway Heritage Conservancy HRV, Inc.**

#### **Minutes of June 3, 2014 Meeting of the Hudson River Valley Greenway Grants Committee**

On a motion from Bob Elliott (Andy Chmar second) the June 3, 2014 Combined Meeting minutes and Grants Committee Meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### **Greenway Committees**

It was announced that a meeting to discuss the formation of Greenway Committees as recommended in the Strategic Plan has been scheduled for November 5, 2014 between 3-5 p.m.

### **Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council**

#### Call to Order

Chairman McHenry called the Council meeting to order.

#### Welcome New Council Member Johanna Porr

Chairman McHenry announced that Orange County Historian Johanna Porr has been appointed to the Board by the Orange County Executive.

#### Greenway Community Planning Grants

Acting Executive Director Mark Castiglione reviewed the Greenway Communities Grants recommended for funding by the Grants Committee at the Conference call September 30, 2014.

The *Town of Chatham, Columbia County* is seeking grant funding in the amount of \$4,000 for GIS Datasets to Inventory Natural Resources. The Committee recommends \$4,000.

The *Town of Fishkill, Dutchess County* is seeking grant funding in the amount of \$15,000 for Hudson Valley Urban Action Agenda Community Engagement Tools. The Committee recommends \$12,500.

The *Town of Olive, Ulster County* is seeking grant funding in the amount of \$10,000 for a Town-wide Flood Mitigation Plan. The Committee recommends \$8,500.

The *Village of Voorheesville, Albany County* is seeking grant funding in the amount of \$10,000 for a Main Street Master Plan. The Committee recommends \$8,500.

On a motion from Bob Elliott (Wint Aldrich second) the Board unanimously approved the Community grants.

### **Greenway Conservancy for the Hudson River Valley, Inc.**

#### Call to Order

Acting Chairman Griffen called the Conservancy meeting to order.

#### 2014 Greenway Conservancy Trail Grant Awards

Mr. Castiglione introduced the 2014 Greenway Conservancy Trail Grant Awards recommended by the Greenway Grants Committee.

The *Columbia Land Conservancy, Columbia County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$4,050.00 for Greenport Conservation Area Trailhead Connection. The Committee recommends \$4,050.00.

The *Town of Stockport, Columbia County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$6,000.00 for a Kinderhook-Stuyvesant-Stockport Inter-Municipal Trail Survey. The Committee recommends \$3,000.00.

The *City of Beacon, Dutchess County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for a Hudson Trail Master Plan. The Committee recommends \$5,000.00.

The *Town of Red Hook, Dutchess County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a Red Hook Town Wide Trail Plan. The Committee recommends \$8,000.00. Wint Aldrich recused himself from the discussion as he is the Town Historian.

The *Walkway over the Hudson, Dutchess County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$10,505.00 for Walkway's New Trail Connections Project. The Committee recommends \$2,500.00.

The *Village of Wappingers Falls, Dutchess County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$9,930.00 for a Wappinger Greenway Improved Signage Initiative. The Committee recommends \$7,500.00.

The *Town of Windham, Greene County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a Windham Multi-Use Path: Batavia Kill Crossing to Hensonville. The Committee recommends \$5,000.00.

The *Hudson Highlands Nature Museum, Orange County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$6,954.64 for a Connecting Trail-Phase II. The Committee recommends \$6,950.00.

*Mohonk Preserve, Ulster County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 for a Duck Pond Access Project. The Committee recommends \$3,000.00.

The *Village of Tarrytown, Westchester County* is seeking funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for a Gracemere Trail Plan. The Committee recommends \$5,000.00.

On a motion from Jane Daniels (Stefan Yarabek second) the Board unanimously approved the Community grants.

#### Approval of Combined Greenway Conservancy and National Heritage Area Budget SFY 2014-15

Mr. Castiglione presented the combined Greenway Conservancy and HRV National Heritage Area budget for adoption. He noted that one addition to the budget would be \$10,000 for a business development plan.

#### Approval of Greenway Conservancy Accounting Internal Controls

Mr. Castiglione introduced the revised internal accounting controls which sets forth the processes by which the Conservancy receives, disburses, and tracks funds.

#### Approval of Revised Greenway Conservancy Bylaws

Mr. Castiglione presented revised bylaws for both the Public Benefit and Not-for-Profit Corporations.

#### USGS Contract

Mr. Castiglione and Mr. Keller announced that the Conservancy has received a request for to act as a accept and manage a grant to maintain salinity mentoring stations at West Point and Piermont for the United States Geological Survey (USGS), using funds provided by the Hudson River Foundation. The Hudson River Estuary Program has agreed to provide the Greenway with a ten percent fee for managing this grant. Due to federal regulations it is not possible for the Hudson River Foundation to give the funds directly to the USGS.

#### Authorization to Apply for Grants

Mr. Castiglione requested a blanket authorization to apply for grants. He noted that it would still be required that the Board approve acceptance of any successful grants.

On a motion from Stefan Yarabek (Don Marra second) the Board unanimously adopted the Combined Greenway Conservancy and National Heritage Area Budget, approved the Greenway Conservancy Accounting Internal Controls, adopted the revised Bylaws for the Public Benefit and Not-for-Profit Corporations and approved the USGS Contract.

#### **Joint Board Items**

##### Adoption of Hudson River Valley Greenway and National Heritage Area Strategic Plan

Mr. Castiglione requested final comments on the draft strategic plan. An issue was raised concerning the wording of the Setting Program Priorities section of the report. Following a thorough discussion the Board agreed to modify this part of the text to read:

*“Following the discussion of the SWOT analysis, the Board was put through an exercise to help identify those programs/projects that should be the most immediate priorities for the Greenway/NHA. The priorities that emerged were all involved in the types of partnerships or connections that have been central to the organization since its inception:*

- *Providing “Catalytic” Grant Funding for Greenway-related Activities (planning, access, etc.)*
- *Providing Outreach to Localities/Local Organizations to engage them in regional initiatives*
- *Regional Planning/Greenway Compact Process*
- *When asked to identify those activities that Greenway will play a supportive rather than a leadership role in the near term, three emerged:*
  - *Agriculture Development*
  - *Planning for Climate Resiliency*
  - *Putting together interpretive presentations/packages of historical events and/or heritage sites (including training)”*

On a motion from Kristin Brown (Frank Rooney second) the Strategic plan was unanimously adopted by both Boards.

#### **Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area**

##### Call to Order

Chairman McHenry called the National Heritage Area (NHA) meeting to order.

##### Hudson River Valley Ramble

Mr. Castiglione noted that the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Hudson River Valley Ramble was highly successful with over 200 events being held. He noted that more complete numbers will be announced at a future meeting when the data has been received from event guides.

#### 2015 Heritage Development Grants Program

Mr. Castiglione noted that the 2015 Heritage Development Grants Program will be announced to the public in December, with awards to be made at the March Board meeting.

#### Path Through History Weekends

Ms. Griffen and Mr. Castiglione noted that the statewide Path Through History program, advanced by Governor Cuomo, and this year administered by the Greater Hudson Heritage Network and the Greenway on behalf of I Love New York saw a 43% increase in events.

#### HRVNHA Website

Mr. Castiglione announced that the National Heritage Area's website, [www.hudsonrivervalley.com](http://www.hudsonrivervalley.com) is being updated.

#### Public Comment

Military Historian James Johnson announced the most recent issue of the Hudson Valley Regional Review is now out. The issue focuses on Dutch Settlement in the Hudson Valley.

#### **Executive Director Report**

Acting Executive Director Mark Castiglione's written Executive Director's report is appended to, and a part of these minutes.

#### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott S. Keller  
Meeting Secretary

# Hudson River Valley Greenway Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area *Acting Executive Director's Report* 10-8-2014

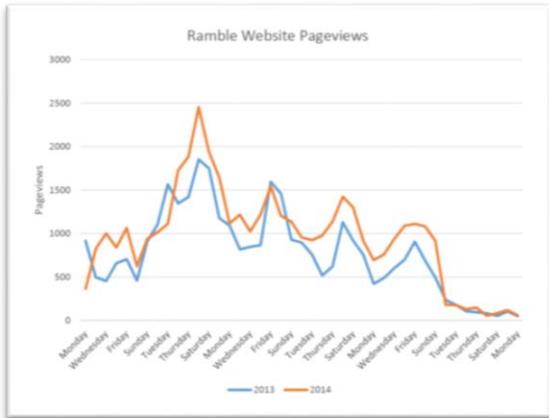
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## **Project and Program Updates:**

### **15th Annual Hudson River Valley Ramble A Great Success!**

The 15th Annual Hudson River Valley Ramble was an amazing success! Four beautiful weekends this September were filled with activities

from hiking to kayaking to kite flying and more! This year's Ramble had more than 200 events and more than 160 partner organizations. We are especially grateful to all of our wonderful **Ramble** Event Leaders and organizations who have dedicated their time and effort to making this an exceptional event. Check out our [Facebook page](#) to see more photos of the events.



**Website Traffic up 18%**  
**75% of Website Visitors New Users**  
**Facebook 'likes' up 40%**

**Greenway Strategic Planning Process Update:** Once the final strategic plan is adopted by the board, we will begin implementation. The plan helped us identify the “core idea” of the Greenway and identified areas on which the board and staff should focus moving forward.

#### **Strategic Planning Goals**

- Diversify and expand funding sources for the Greenway/NHA
- Set clear priorities for the Greenway

**The Core Idea—Making Connections:** Based upon the analysis of the strategic position of the Greenway/NHA, we recommend that the core idea for the Greenway/NHA strategic plan be “making connections.” This can be elaborated as “Making Connections” that:

- Preserve the Hudson River Valley’s heritage
- Revitalize its Economies
- Ensure a Sustainable Future for its Communities
- Enhance its Quality of Life



**Focus:** To do this the Hudson River Valley Greenway needs to be creative, agile and innovative. The continuing support of New York State government provides an important platform for the Greenway to continue its work. But private support is needed more than ever if this irreplaceable organization is going to be able to:

- **Provide catalytic grant support** so that a community's hopes for a waterside trail can become another connection in the greater Greenway
- **Identify the few remaining gaps in the Greenway Trail** and finally build that grand connection that will join communities together and bring tourists from around the globe to the Hudson River Valley
- Provide municipalities with the support they need to **encourage economic growth and renewal consistent with sustainable Greenway Principles**
- **Cultivate the full array of innovative educational and cultural programs** through which we can become fully aware of the wonder that is the Hudson River Valley and the rich legacy that connects us all

#### **Re-enactment Day at Constitution Island**

Reenactment Day on [Constitution Island](#) was once again proudly sponsored by the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area and was a rousing success. The event included about 450 attendees and participants. Reenactment Day 2014 featured food and drink, children's games, storytellers, and speakers - but the real highlight was the great variety of enthusiastic,



Courtesy of Bob Fagan/USIAVIDEO  
drill team.

knowledgeable, and impeccably authentic reenactors putting on an all-day show in full uniform. Making special appearances this year were "General George Washington" and aide-de-camp "David Humphreys", "President and Mrs. Abraham Lincoln", Confederate Lieutenant General "James Longstreet", and reenactors representing the 5th New York Regiment of the Continental Line from the American Revolution, the American Civil War-era Zouaves of the 5th New York Volunteer Regiment, and artillery from the 6th New York Independent Battery. These units were joined by cadets and instructors from United States Military Academy Hellcats drum and bugle corps, and the Black Knight rifle

## Events Celebrate Heritage Development Grant Awards

Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area representatives and partner organizations were joined by partners at two events celebrating National Heritage Area Heritage Development Grant Awards. Grantees were joined at the June 5<sup>th</sup> event by Congressman Paul Tonko and were hosted by Mayor Kathy Sheehan at Albany's historic City Hall. Senator Neil D. Breslin, Assemblymember Patricia A. Fahy, Assemblymember John T. McDonald III were also in attendance to show support for the various projects. Complete story [here](#) and from the [Times Union](#). The July 3<sup>rd</sup> event was held at the Henry A. Wallace Center in Hyde Park and included Congressman Chris Gibson Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro; Assemblymember Didi Barrett; Hyde Park Town Supervisor Aileen Rohr; Brian Keeler, Chief of Staff for Senator Terry Gipson. Complete story [here](#).



## Nearly 100 participate in Path Through History / HRVNHA Interpretive Training Workshops:

The Mid-Hudson Valley Path Through History regional workgroup, in partnership with the [Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area](#), engaged a consultant to conduct interpretive training at historic sites and museums that were identified through the region's Path Through History initiative. In total, four training sessions were held that included nearly 100 participants from HRVNHA/PTH sites from throughout the region.

[hudsonrivervalley.com](#) **Website Update:** Over the last five years, the HRVNHA website has received nearly 250,000 visitors and over a million pageviews, while popular trends in consumer technologies and media practices have changed dramatically in this time. The website now requires a complete overhaul in order to keep pace with the ever-evolving demands of these changes. We will strive to harness the latest in innovative technologies for promotional purposes, and its staff is enthusiastic about collaborative efforts to implement this vision through the HRVNHA website. The Request for Proposals (“RFP”) is for the redesign has been issued and bids are due back on October 31. A total of 15 firms have already expressed interest. The RFP is posted here: <http://hudsongreenway.ny.gov/Organization/RFP.aspx>

**2014 Path Through History Weekends Grows by Over 40%:** Once again, the Greenway assisted I Love NY/ Empire State Development with administration of the state-wide Path Through History Weekends



scheduled for June 7-8 & 14-15, 2014. The Greenway was lucky to partner with the Greater Hudson Heritage Network to assist with day-to-day administrative and communication tasks for the event. Their partnership and hard work contributed significantly to the growth of the event. **PTH Weekend 2015 will be June 20-21.** [www.paththroughhistoryweekends.com](http://www.paththroughhistoryweekends.com)

**2013/2014 analysis of the numbers**

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>% Increase/decrease from</b>
<b>2013</b>			
Total Number of Events	272	381	43% increase
Total number of event hosts	227	296	24% increase
Attendance reported	NA	16,785	represents 22% of events

Assumption: if we extrapolate the 16,758/22% event attendance to 100% participation, the total attendance number would be **76,300**.

**Path Through History Article featured on NY History Blog:** Mark Castiglione co-authored a piece on the State’s Path Through History Program which was featured on the NY History Blog. The piece outlines the various elements of the program, investments made since its launch in 2012, and projects undertaken by PTH Workgroups across the state.  
<http://newyorkhistoryblog.org/2014/10/01/guest-essay-path-through-history-highlights-historic-assets/>

**Teaching the Hudson Valley Update by Debi Duke:**

**New Lesson Plans Published**

- Leaf ID Books, grades 3-12, Technical Education, Science, & Environmental Ed
- Sun Study, grades 6-12, Science and Environmental Education
- Tree Identification, grades 9-12, Science
- Yesterday and Today in Orange County, grade 2, Social Studies and English/Language Arts

**Student Work:** Six blog posts featured student work from the Writing about Place contest; one blog post and THV’s home page slideshow included photos taken by students who participated in an Explore Award field experience; one blog post featured artwork by students whose teacher developed the related lesson as part of our Using Primary Sources project

**Summer Institute:** Registration for Farms & Food: Teaching the Hudson Valley from the Ground Up, opened May 27. It will be held July 29-31 in Hyde Park. Field experience hosts: Cropsey Community Farm and Rockland Farm Alliance; Different Drummer’s Kitchen Cooking School and Normans Kill Preserve, both in Albany; Martin Van Buren NHS and Roxbury Farm, Kinderhook; and Poughkeepsie Farm Project and local school gardens.

## ***Trails:***

### **Greenway Water Trail Promotion/Trip Planning**

**Project:** The Greenway has begun to develop the interactive, smartphone optimized website and map series. Consultant MapHero has developed the layout for the map/guide series and web consultant Laurie Lawrence design has created the website template. This project is funded through a \$90,000 grant from Empire State Development to promote use of the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail. Greenway staff will be consulting with stakeholders as these elements become more refined. The grant timeline for this project has been extended through summer 2015.



## ***Legislative Updates:***

**Greenway Pursuing NHA Reauthorization Bills:** Sen. Gillibrand is sponsoring a bill to extend funding authorization for our National Heritage Area program through 2022 (S 1138). Members Lowey, Maloney, Gibson, Nadler, King, Rangel and Tonko are co-sponsoring in the House (HR 2407). A recent component of the legislative strategy focuses on gathering reciprocal cosponsors from the other members sponsoring similar bills to extend other NHAs. In FFY 2014, the Greenway will receive \$491,000 from the NPS. In 2015, it appears Congress may extend funding via continuing resolution.

**Lowey Leads and National Heritage Area Program Bill:** While the HRVNHA's funding authorization was extended through federal fiscal year 2015, we will still aggressively pursue and longer-term solution through reintroduction of the National Heritage Areas Act. Our Congressional delegation continues to advocate for National Heritage Areas. Congresswoman Nita Lowey used a manager's amendment to restore nearly \$9 million in the Heritage Partnership Program, the program through which the National Park Service allocates funding to National Heritage Areas. Congressman Paul Tonko is the lead co-sponsor of H.R. 455 "The National Heritage Act of 2013". [Living Landscape Observer](#) has a new piece on recent hearings on important National Heritage Area legislation currently in Congressional committee. Full story [here](#).

## ***Grants Updates***

### **New Combined Greenway Grant Application and Instruction forms**

To make the application process more efficient, the formerly separate applications for the 'Greenway Communities Grant Program' and 'Greenway Compact Grant Program' have been combined into one application. The new application treats "Communities Grants" and Compact Grants" as separate categories. The new application and guidelines will result in more focused applications that can be more easily evaluated staff and committee members. The new combined application is located here:

<http://hudsongreenway.ny.gov/GrantFunding/CommunityGrants.aspx>

In order to make it easier for our grantees to complete grant reimbursement requests correctly, Scott Keller developed new instructions, templates and forms that grantees can use to walk them through the process. Since the reimbursement process for our various grant programs differ depending on the funding source, the reimbursement process has been always been challenging for new grantees. These new materials save everyone time and have resulted in fewer errors or oversights in reimbursement requests submitted by our grantees. These new instructions are located here: <http://hudsongreenway.ny.gov/GrantFunding/CFP.aspx>

## Grants Completed since June 2014

### Teaching the Hudson Valley EXPLORE AWARDS Trips completed this quarter

**645 students** from six Hudson Valley counties to sites in four counties.

- Chancellor Livingston ES, Rhinebeck CSD (Dutchess County), 65, grade 4, Clermont State Historic Site (Columbia County)
- M. C. Miller MS, Kingston (Ulster County), 100, grade 7, Clermont SHS (Columbia)
- M. C. Smith IS, Hudson, 140, grade 4, Clermont SHS (School & site: Columbia County)
- Sanfordville ES, Warwick CSD, 90, grade 1, Hudson Highlands Nature Museum (School and site, Orange County)
- Thomas C. Cornell Academy, Yonkers CSD, 165, grades 2-5, Science Barge and daylighting of the Yonkers River (School and sites: Westchester County)
- Viola ES, Ramapo CSD (Rockland County), 85, grade 5 to Esopus Meadows (Ulster County) with Clearwater Tideline Program staff

Project	Grant Type	Grant Awarded	Project Total	Grant Completed Date
Hyde Park Heritage Greenway Trail Improvements	Conservancy	\$6,500.00	\$13,000.00	8/14/2014
Albany Milestones: The 15th Annual Albany History Fair	NHA	\$2,500.00	\$10,336.00	8/14/2014
Esopus Explorers Project	Conservancy	\$698.80	\$1,550.00	6/16/2014
Feasibility Study for New Town Center	Council Planning	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	6/6/2014
Watervliet Bicycle Master Plan - Mohawk-Hudson Bike Trail Improvements	Council Planning	\$9,100.00	\$50,000.00	6/6/2014

## Grants Awarded since June 2014

### Teaching the Hudson Valley Explore Awards Grants made this quarter

**1,034 students** from five counties to sites in five counties

- Boys & Girls Club of Northern Westchester, 180, grades K-2, Westmoreland Sanctuary (Both Mount Kisco, Westchester County)
- Catskill High School (Greene County), 35 marine biology students, grades 11-12, Clearwater staff at Esopus Meadows (Ulster County)
- Chatham Kids' Club (Columbia County), 30, grades K-6, Albany Pine Bush Preserve
- Community YMCA, Somers, 300, K-8, Teatown Lake, Ossining (Both Westchester)
- Germantown CSD, 40, grade 4, Clermont State Historic Site (School and site, Columbia)

- Onteora MS (Ulster County), 100, grade 8, Clermont State Historic Site (Columbia)
- St. Christopher's, Dobbs Ferry, 160, ages 12-21, Westmoreland Sanctuary, Mount Kisco (Both Westchester County)
- Todd MS, Wappingers CSD (Dutchess County), 95 students, Albany Institute & Henry Hudson Planetarium
- Westchester Exceptional Children's School, North Salem, 80 special needs students 5-2, Teatown Lake Reservation, Westchester County
- Young Writers' Program, Hudson Valley Writing Project, 14, grades 6-9, Revolutionary War sites including Washington's Hdq. & Fort Montgomery (Newburgh, Orange County)

### **Greenway Communities and Compact Grants**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Amount</b>
County of Columbia	Behold! New Lebanon	Behold! New Lebanon-Planning Period	\$5,000.00
County of Dutchess, with TO Clinton OBO NDA	Driving Tour Enhancements in Northern Dutchess Region	Driving Tour Enhancements in Northern Dutchess Region	\$9,500.00
Town of Fort Ann	Old Champlain Canal Lock 17 Trail	Old Champlain Canal Lock 17 Trail	\$9,500.00
Village of Hoosick Falls	Village of Hoosick Falls Zoning Code Update Project	Village of Hoosick Falls Zoning Code Update Project	\$9,500.00
Village of Irvington	Tiffany Trail Tourism Program	Tiffany Trail Tourism Program	\$2,500.00

### ***Staff Updates:***

**Jan Patane Retires after 14 years with Greenway:** Administrative Assistant Jan Patane announced her retirement in June after 14 years at the Greenway. We wish Jan the best of luck in her retirement.

**Greenway welcomes Shannel Johnson to the team:** Shannel brings over 4 years' experience as an administrative assistant to the Greenway and be a great addition to our team. She is a 2012 graduate of the University at Albany with a degree in Communications and Rhetoric.

### ***Board Member Updates:***

**Johanna Porr named Orange County rep to Greenway Council:** On September 29, 2014 Orange County Executive Steven Neuhaus appointed Johanna Porr as the Orange County representative to the Greenway Council. Johanna was born and raised in the City of Newburgh where she began her career in historic preservation as a tour guide in the East End Historic District. From 2004-2010 Johanna specialized in researching the American Revolution as an Historic Interpreter at the Nation's first historic house

museum, Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site, which has been open to the public and caring for a museum collection since 1850.

In 2004, Johanna completed a degree in European History from Franklin College in Switzerland where she participated in an archaeology academic travel in Italy, Greece and Turkey. In 2006, she received a degree in Anthropology with a focus in 18th century military history and local historic archaeology including research on Historic Huguenot Street's early 18th century past and the Orange County Mastodon discoveries of the early 19th century. She then pursued a certificate in Museum Studies from Smith College completed in 2007, a certificate in Archaeology from University of Virginia with a field school at Historic Jamestown in 2011 and a Master of Public Administration degree from Marist College completed in 2010. During her time at Marist College, she focused on the institutional history of the New York State Historic Bureau and returned to the Mediterranean to make worldwide comparisons about how modern communities care for their historic resources. In 2011, she completed an internship in the Historic Trades Carpentry Department at Colonial Williamsburg, learning and teaching 18th century craftsman techniques. Back in the City of Newburgh she applied these skills to restore a home in the architectural district of Colonial Terraces.

From 2012-2014 Johanna served as the director of the Historical Society of Newburgh Bay and the Highlands, the Crawford House Museum and Archives where she received recognition for her efforts from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and appeared in the New York Times and on C-Span. Johanna now serves as the Orange County Historian.