

Creating the "Funding Quilt" to Revitalize Your Downtown

Presenters:

Benjamin H. Syden, AICP

Director of Planning & Community Development Laberge Group

&

John P. Scavo, Jr.

Sr. Grants & Community Development Specialist Laberge Group





Why are YOU here today...? To obtain funding assistance...

THE PROACTIVE APPROACH

Plan for Implementation

Create the Funding Quilt

Implement It





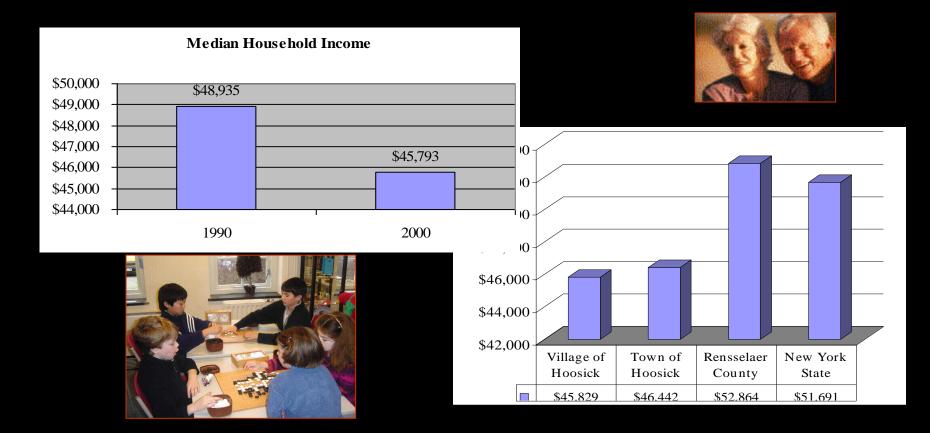
Plan for Implementation - The Process







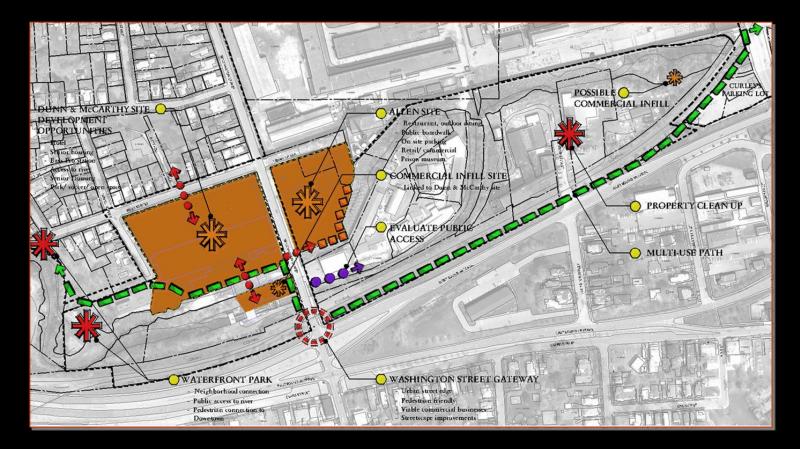
Understand Who You Are







Identify Your Assets & Your Liabilities



Laberge

Group



Public Input







Techniques for Soliciting & Increasing Public Participation

Basic

Laberge

- Press releases for local media.
- Post fliers around the community.
- Meeting notices in local papers.
- ASK PEOPLE!!!!

Group



Come Join Us!

The Future Depends on You!

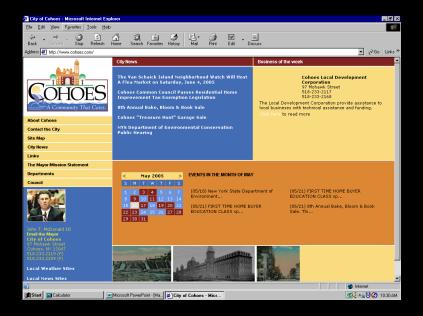
Help develop a Downtown Revitalization Plan

The Village of Middleburgh PUBLIC WORKSHOP



Techniques for Soliciting & Increasing Public Participation

Set up an Internet Web Site to inform the public throughout the process.







Techniques for Soliciting & Increasing Public Participation

Church Groups
Local Clubs
Sports Organizations
School Organizations or
School Committees
Neighborhood Associations



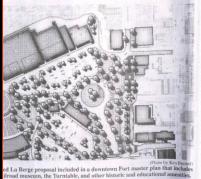




Techniques for Soliciting & Increasing Public Participation

Harnessing the "Power of the Press"

- Initiate articles and Project Profiles
- Keep the "Spin" going highlight and promote progress and activities. Public input sought for 'master plan'



Laberge

Port Downtown Plan Calls For Pedestrian Mall, Hotel, Ballpark Benjamin Syden, planning apparel, and household furniture

PORT JERVIS - Converting community development manager part of Front Street to a pedestrian of the Laberge Group, who led the mall and making the historic Erie presentation, said many of the recturntable the focal point of a transommendations in the area of land nortation - themed visitor/ conferuse and economic development ence center are just two of the were based on a demographics and dramatic proposals contained in a market analysis downtown strategic plan unveiled "We examined consumer spending in Port Jervis and a 20-

The plan, drawn up by the La-berge Group of Albany, targets five downtown districts: Jersey mile drive time radius," he said. Within the 20-mile-radius trade area centered on Port Jervis, the Avenue, Front Street, the Water analysis showed a population of front, the (commuter) train station 240,740 people with the top conand Pike Street. sumer spending areas being food For those districts, recommendations were made in the areas of land use and zoning, traf-

last week.

and alcohol at home (24.6 percent) and food and alcohol away from home (22.1 percent). Both of these fic/infrastructure and streetscaping percentages were above the naousing and economic develop onal average

and furnishings. Recommendations reflected these patterns, calling for recruit-

stores, specialty food stores, an tique stores and new restaurants on Front Street William Hockenberry, owner of

Hockenberry's Furniture at the corner of Fowler and Jersey, said he welcomed the idea of more furniture stores "We used to have five, now it's

just us and Royal," said Hockenberry, who did not attend the meeting, but who was involved in the process leading up to the final "At one time we wanted to have a Furniture City. The more the merrier

ing furniture and home furnishing

Ren Syden talks about a master plan.

By Darrell R. Beebe

Granville residents and business owners

will be asked soon what they like, and don't like, about the village A survey of their thoughts will be taken by a special committee that is working to develop a "master plan" for Granville's future. The survey, announced at the second meeting of the master plan committee Monday night, will ask residents and owners of businesses in the village for their

insights on a various topics relating to community development. The survey wants to know what aspects important.

of Granville people find most appealing, and what they find least appealing. It will ask about zoning, what businesses he public would like to see in Granville

and what activities for youths and adults they want in the community.

The survey also asks what kind of growth, if any, survey participants want to

see Granville down the road. Parking services offered by the village, and traffic are other issues addressed in the questionnaire. Surveys will be mailed with village water bills on or around Aug. 1, and copies will also be available at the village municipal center on Quaker Street, at Scotties on Main Street, and likely at other businesses

as well. Benjamin Syden, planning and community development manager at the Laberge Group, which is guiding the master plan

work, said that community involvement is "The vision, goals and action of the plan

will only be as good as the participants involved in creating it." he said.

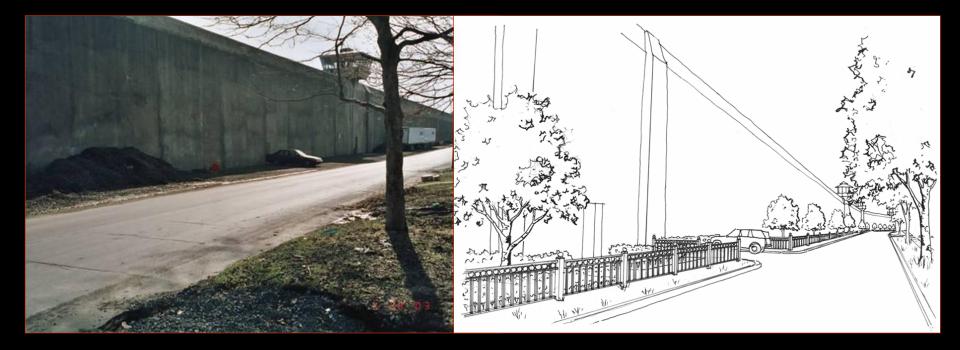
Public participation in that meeting is not only encouraged, but crucial, the planner said

"Everybody's input is looked at, everybody's input is added," Syden said.





Identify Opportunities & Constraints







Visualize Design Solutions





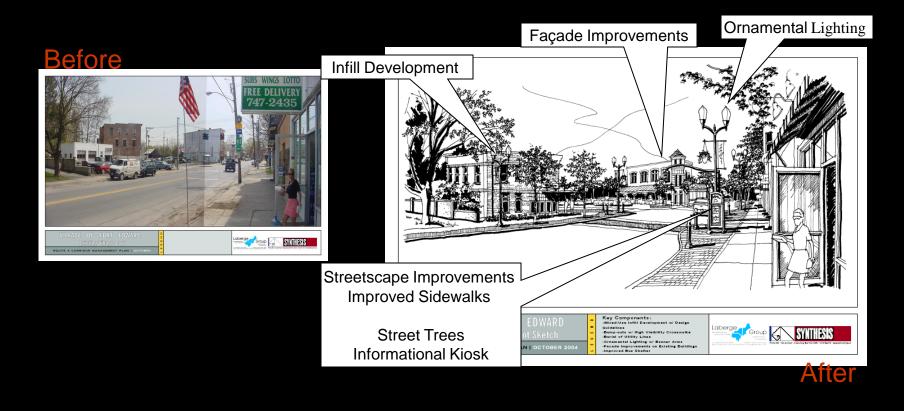
Visualize Design Solutions





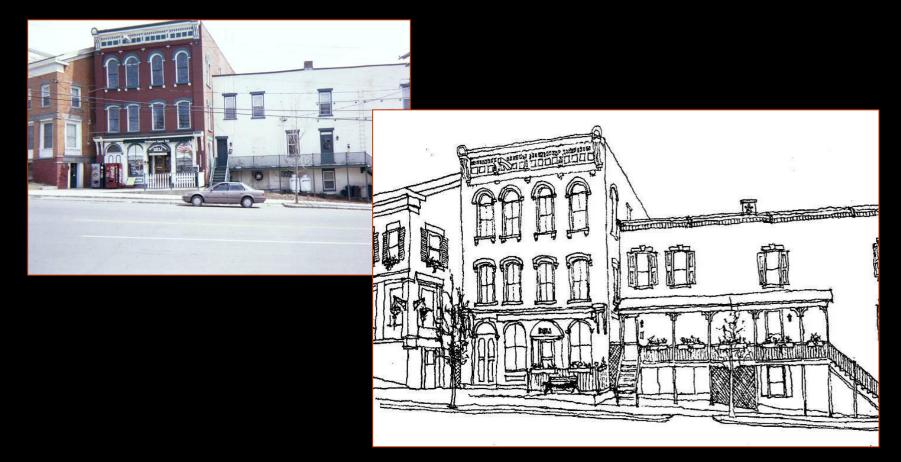


Visualize Design Solutions





Create Short Term Achievable Goals



Laberge

Group

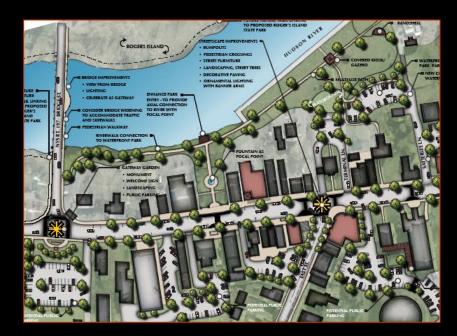


Create Short Term Achievable Goals

- Pedestrian Enhancements.
- Enhance Rte 197 Gateway.
- Enhance Yacht Basin.
- Improve Irving Tissue Entry.
- Plant new street trees.
- Share Parking Areas.
- Infill Development.

Group

Laberge





Set Long Term Goals

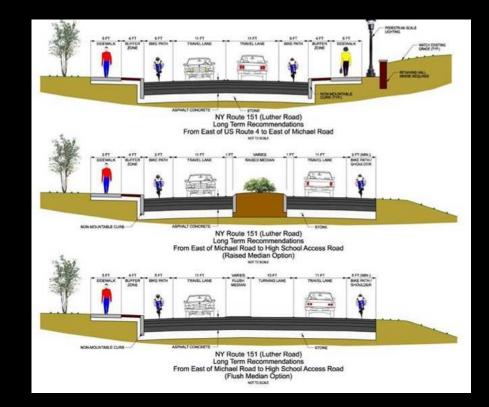
LONG TERM ACTIONS



Reconstruct roadway to Increase safety and multi-modal mobility.

Group

Laberge





Create The Funding Quilt

The "Funding Quilt" links the resources that must come together and be interwoven to accomplish an objective.





Resources



"SHOW ME THE MONEY"





Resources



Identify possible funding streams that may be available to assist in implementing your projects.





Develop Project Partners

- Local
- State
- Federal
- Not-for-Profit
- Volunteer Organizations





Understand the Program Requirements







Understand the Program Requirements

Program Eligibility

- Eligibility vs. Fundability
- Match Requirement
- Project Timetable

Program Schedule

Grant Deadlines

Group

Laberge

- Announcement Dates
- Funding Availability

Technical Assistance





Research Successful Projects

- What Works vs. What Doesn't Work
- Go to Funding Agencies to Review Prior Applications
- Types of Projects Does it Fit?
- Project Readiness Commitment of Other Funds
- Project Documentation
- Public Support

Group

Laberge

- Dot the L's and Cross the T's
- AGAIN, MEET WITH AGENCIES





Coordinate and Incorporate Timelines and Funding Amounts

| Action (Tasks) | Type of Action | Time Frame | Possible Funding Source |
|---|---------------------------|---------------|---|
| Apply for funding for the façade loan/grant program | Administrative | S | Local, CDBG, EDA, NYSCA, |
| Establish a façade loan/grant program for businesses & residents. | Program | S - L | CDBG – GOSC NYSOPRHP |
| Adopt design guidelines for Route 9 | Administrative/ Policy | S | NYSCA, NYPF, local |
| Create attractive "Gateways" to welcome motorists/tourists | Program | S | NYSDOT – TEP NYSOPRHP, Scenic River |
| Create a comprehensive and coordinated wayfinding signage program | Program | S | NYSDOT – TEP NYSOPRHP, CDTA |
| Review Sign Ordinance & Make Necessary Changes | Administrative/ Policy | S | Local, NYPF, NYSOPRHP |
| Revise zoning regulations and/or site plan regulations to require a higher percentage of landscaping on commercial properties | Administrative/ Policy | S | Local NYPF |









Implement It





Are You Ready to Implement?





What will it Take to Implement Your Plan?

Leadership



Commitment













Consensus Building

Obtain Media & Public Support for your Objective.





Involve your project partners.





The Missing Piece of the Puzzle

Let it be known that the funding source is the missing piece of the puzzle to finish the objective. Their resources are part of a larger, locally adopted plan that has identified a sound method for accomplishing the objective.

Laberge

Group



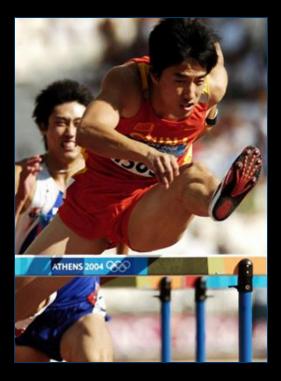


Point A to Point E by way of B, C, D

Unless your community buys lottery tickets...

...there usually is NOT a straight line between point A to Point E.

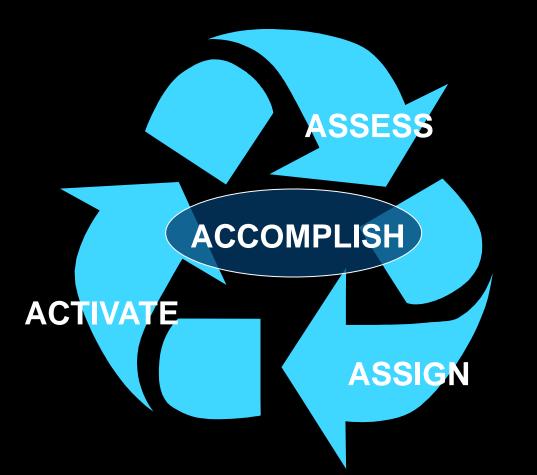
There will ALWAYS be HURDLES that need to be OVERCOME!







Master the Four "A"s of Implementation







Assess The Current Situation

- Assess the status of your current plan, update as needed.
- Review your goals and objectives.
- Select achievable goals.
- Assess project viability.
- Gauge public support.

Laberge

Group

- Assess your resources.
- Identify funding opportunities.
- Re-assess feasibility of project based on updated information.





Assign Tasks

- Be a leader!
- Assign responsibility
- Create a project team (staff, volunteers, consultants, local and state officials)
- Develop a project schedule and work plan.
- Establish milestones and deadlines.





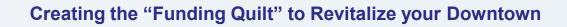


Activate Your Team

- Accept responsibility.
- Coordinate project team members.
- Get stakeholders involved early.
- Obtain media and public support.
- Initiate project:
 - Apply for grant/loans
 - Commence project implementation.
 - Go out to bid.
- Adhere to project deadline.
- Build momentum.

Group

Laberge





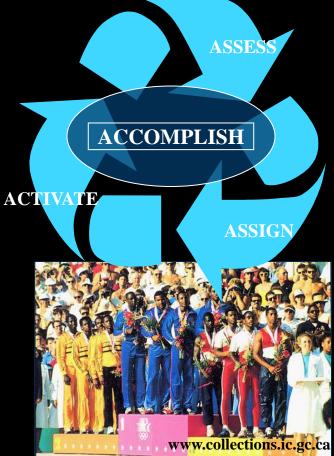
Accomplish Your Goal!

Goal achieved...

....congratulations!

Celebrate your achievement Provide recognition (media, individuals, groundbreaking) Re-assess your goals...

...and start over!







Keep Focused on your Goals



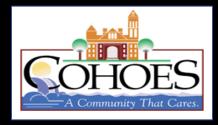




Case Studies



VILLAGE OF SOUTH GLENS FALLS



CITY OF COHOES







Following their *blueprint* for change...

| Project | Funding Source | |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Main Street Revitalization Plan | Community Development Block Grant - TA | |
| Historical Park | Environmental Protection Fund | |
| Outdoor Entertainment Center | Senator Joseph L. Bruno, Village Funds | |
| Sewer Line Extension | Environmental Protection Fund | |
| Housing Rehabilitation Program | Community Development Block Grant, Weatherization | |
| Economic Development Committee | Village Funds | |
| Commercial Property Inventory | Village Funds | |
| Website/Newsletter | Village Funds | |
| Cooper's Cave Bridge | NYSDOT | |
| Cooper's Cave Interpretive Center | NYSDOT, Village Funds, City of Glens Falls, Donations | |
| Hudson River Boat Launch | Local Funding | |
| Historic Signage | Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward | |







Housing Rehabilitation Program Phase I



BEFORE



AFTER







Village Outdoor Entertainment Center









Cooper's Cave Pedestrian Bridge & Interpretive Center



COOPER'S CAVE

COOPER VISITS THE CAVE

The surveline were most with those non-, conferences, and the find folling in fusionic anomative of white from about how. This is not anomas, one of the partitions-abound in M. Gooper that how was the ner-sence for a monotone. The watter possible, that a find should attackly be written, in which these entry data for a bound or matching balance in house to be for a gravitage lively in his mind...*

Susan Fenimore Cooper (James Fenimore Cooper's daughter) Pages and Pictures from the Writings of James Fenimore Cooper (New York, 1861)

A Writer is Born

Cooper wrote his first novel in 1820, supposedly on a dare from his wife. Though the fortune he had inherited from his father evaporated after the War of 1812, he turned to writing more as amusement than with any hope of earning a living at it. In 1821 he published his second book. The Say, based on stories of

In 1821 he published his second book, The Spy, based on stories of espionage and adventure in Westchester County during the Revolution. It was an instant success—Americans were delighted with their first real opportunity to read stories about their own country and its history opportunity to read stories about their own country and its instory. Geoper followed in up with *The Primersy* (1823), sneed on his childhood in Cooperstown, and *The Priot* (1824), suggested by the exploits of Revolutionary much hero John Paul Jones. Both were best-sellers, and Gooper became known at hume and abroad as America's first important



Writing The Last of the Mohicans Cooper's novel was written during the summer of 1825, at a farm on the North River in what is now Astoria, Queens. His descriptions of the life and culture of Native Americas came from the works of John the and culture of NATOP AMPECES calls from the works of John Heckewelder, a Morasian missionary in Premy-brain and Olio sho spent his life among the Dehasare Indians. He could not have closen better; no American in the 1820's was better informed about, or more sympathetic to Native Americans their ways of life, or their sad plight.











North Mohawk Street Road Reconstruction Project











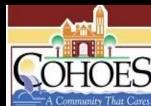




City News



CITY OF COHOES



A Community That Cares

| A Community |
|----------------------------------|
| About Cohoes |
| Contact the City |
| Site Map |
| City News |
| Featured Businesses |
| Submit A Featured Business |
| Events |
| Links |

Mayor/Mission Statement

Departments

Council

The

Spring Clean Up Day - 05/12/2005

Cohoes "Treasure Hunt" Garage Sale -05/09/2005

COHOES BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM IS IN FULL SWING! - 05/05/2005

DINNER AND PLAY - 05/05/2005

8th Annual Bake, Bloom & Book Sale -05/03/2005

Cohoes Common Council Passes Residential Home Improvement Tax Exemption Legislation - 04/27/2005

The Van Schaick Island Neighborhood Watch Will Host A Flea Market on Saturday, June 4, 2005 - 04/07/2005







CITY OF COHOES

Waterfront Revitalization Project



