

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – June 2023

KINDERHOOK BUSINESS UPDATE

Opened

Super Stories, Chatham Street

Village Yoga. 6 Hudson Street, 2nd and 3rd Floors

Muse Aesthetics. 12 Broad Street

Old Dutch Inn, 8 Broad Street

Vacant Commercial/Mixed Use: [3]

1 Chatham Street, 6 Broad Street, 59 Broad Street

Partially Occupied Commercial/Mixed Use: [1]

5 Hudson Street

PROMOTION

- On-going social-media re-posts for local businesses
- 2023 rack card printed.
- Berkshire Brochure rack card distribution begins July 1
- Provided quote to journalist re: impact of The School I Jack Shainman Gallery

BUSINESS LIAISON

- Continued to provide updates on available commercial properties

CURRENT GRANTS SUMMARY

COMPLETED:

Village of Kinderhook, NY – A Walking Tour of the Square and Beyond – Audio Tour

- Launched at Kinderhook Farmers Market on June 3
- Made contact with journalist Ralph Gardner to arrange for feature on WAMC
- 1,100 looks as of June 30
- Distributed window clings/QR code for audio tour to local busines
- Listed audio tour on Hudson River Valley Ramble

Kinderhook Creek Resource Inventory

- Prepared final report and claim for final payment document for unreimbursed funds.

CURRENT (ONGOING):

Kinderhook Creek Kayak Launch Project

- Drafted request for approval of original scope and budget.

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)

(Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project

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NY Forward Grant Application – Awarded

- Assigned application preparation for
 - Bandstand
 - Van Buren Hall
 - Broad Street Lighting and Street Furniture Project
- Requested written quote for Van Buren Hall lift replacement

GRANT RESEARCH/SUPPORT/APPLICATION

- **Quick Start Grant New York State Urban Forestry Council – Awarded**
- Coordinated event features for June 17 at Kinderhook Farmers Market
- Promoted event via social media.
- Composed press release published in The Columbia Paper
- Requested narrative from village historian Kate Johnson to be read at tree dedication on June 17

ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Village Bike Rack

- Awaiting response to bike rack proposal in Village Square at The Kinderhook Knitting Mill.

Long-term Parking and Traffic Issues

- Followed up with owners of 25 Chatham Street vacant lot to determine sale status. Awaiting owners' re-evaluation of property value.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Distributed private-foundation grant opportunities to Kinderhook businesses
- Assisted with preparation of information for website redesign: site navigation and design
- Assisted with review of first-round website redesign
- Ordered directional sign for Rothermel Park at Trail for pump station at Trailhead
- Identified possible Tai Chi class teacher for Van Buren Hall and provided a tour.
- Commenced daily review of Albany Business Review