

# **WELCOME**

THE MEETING WILL BEGIN SHORTLY

Local Planning Committee (LPC) Meeting #2 Thursday, July 13, 2023





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# **INTRODUCTIONS**



LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE		
NAME AFFILIATION		
Jerry Golden	Mayor, Village of Cape Vincent; LPC Co-Chair	
Erika Flint	Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization; North Country REDC; LPC Co-Chair	
Michael Bashaw	Thousand Islands Central School District	
Liz Brennan	Cape Vincent Arts Council	
Susan Castle	Chateau	
Michael Chavoustie	French Towne Market/Cup of Joy	
Marty Mason	Town of Cape Vincent	
Christine Stark	Cape Vincent Improvement League	



## **INTRODUCTIONS**



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NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT
Kylie Peck	Project Manager	NYS Department of State
Stephen Hunt	Regional Director, North Country Office	Empire State Development
Mary Barthelme	Project Manager	NYS Homes & Community Renewal
Amanda Bearcroft	Program Director, DRI and NY Forward	NYS Department of State

#### **KEY PLANNING SUPPORT**

Name Title

Mary Rupp	Village Clerk/Treasurer
Pamela Youngs	Cape Vincent Local Development Corporation



### **INTRODUCTIONS**



#### **CONSULTANT TEAM**



Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C.











#### **CODE OF CONDUCT REMINDER**



- Members of the Local Planning Committee must always serve and act in the public interest, regardless of their affiliation with, or relationship to, any business, municipality, not-for-profit, agency, program, entity, or interest group.
- Members should use the Code of Conduct to guide service and actions while on the Local Planning Committee.
- Remember DAD:
  - Disclose conflicts of interest
  - Act in the public interest
  - Disqualify if necessary



# PROJECT SCHEDULE & SCOPE

# Key Milestones

**Projects** 



JUNE JULY **AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER Document Preliminary Downtown LPC Kick-off Project Edits Profile Project List Profiles Vision** Complete (Draft) **Downtown Strategies** Engagement **NY Forward** Goals (Final) **Profile** (Final) Plan **Strategic** (Final) Call for **Investment Strategies** 

DECEMBER

**NOVEMBER/** 

**NY Forward** 

Strategic
Complete
Investment
Plan (Final)
Strategic

Plan (Draft)

### **CALL FOR PROJECTS**





Transform Downtown Cape Vincent with NY Forward!

We invite **YOU** to share your vision for Cape Vincent!

To learn more about the NY Forward program, project eligibility requirements and to access an official Call for Projects Application form, visit <a href="https://www.capevincent-nyforward.com">www.capevincent-nyforward.com</a> or scan the QR code.

#### Accepting project proposals until 5 PM on July 31, 2023.

For assistance with the Open Call for Projects application, virtual and inperson office hours will be available. Check website for dates and times.

Scan QR code for more information on your mobile device

#### Join Our Public Open House!

Open House style format - drop in anytime! Participate in a variety of activity stations to learn and provide your input!

> July 24, 2023 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM Rec Park

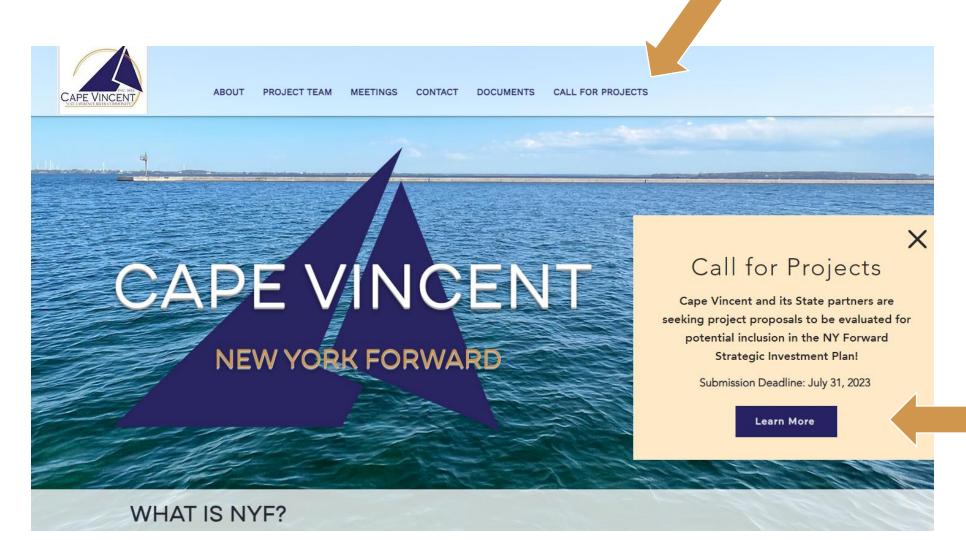
NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY.

For more information, visit: www.capevincent-nyforward.com

- Launched June 19<sup>th</sup> / Due by July 31<sup>st</sup>
- All projects are required to submit Call for Projects
   Form to be considered for NY Forward funding
   (electronic submission preferred)
- Call for Projects Form available on Cape Vincent NY Forward website: CapeVincent-NYForward.com
  - Paper copies of Call for Projects Form available at Cape Vincent Village Office
- All submitted proposals will be reviewed by the LPC and discussed during future LPC meetings.

### **CALL FOR PROJECTS**





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#### **Project Types & Requirements**

It is expected that NYF funds will be used for capital projects that will transform the physical environment of the downtown in ways that will benefit current residents and future generations. However, certain non-capital projects or projects that may lead to capital investment will also be considered to the extent that they will contribute to the revitalization of the downtown. The following is a description of eligible and ineligible project types.

#### **Eligible Project Types**

- Public Improvement Projects. This clude projects such as streets as transportation improvements, rectralis, wayfinding signage, new an parks, plazas, public art, green infland other public realim projects the contribute to the revitalization of the downtown.
- New Development and/or Rehat Existing Downtown Buildings. Pi category may include the develop redevelopment of real property for commercial, residential, not-for-pr uses. All projects should be capital investments. They should lead to cap investments. They should have a functional impact on the downtown catalytic or transformative projects provide employment opportunities broices, and/or services for the or
- Small Project Fund. A locally mal matching small project fund may to undertake a range of smaller d projects such as facade enhances building renovation improvement commercial or mixed-use spaces, assistance, or public art. Funds ar \$300,000 for NYF communities.
- Branding and Marketing. Examp include downtown branding and in projects that may target residents developers, tourists, and/or visitor eligible under this category must expenses, such as those to devel and signage. Ongoing operationa as funding a downtown manager maintaining a website, are not elig funding.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

The following are the State criteria by which each proposed project will be evaluated. The Local Planning Committee will use these criteria as a guide to build on when developing local evaluation criteria.

#### (1)

#### **Alignment with State and Local Goals**

- 1) DRI/NYF
  - · Create an active downtown with a strong sense of place.
  - Attract new businesses that create a robust mix of shopping, entertainment and service
    options for residents and visitors, and that provide job opportunities for a variety of skills
    and salaries.
  - Enhance public spaces for arts and cultural events that serve the existing members of the community but also draw in visitors from around the region.
  - Build a diverse population, with residents and workers supported by complementary diverse housing and employment opportunities.
  - Grow the local property tax base.
  - Provide amenities that support and enhance downtown living and quality of life.
  - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support investments that are more resilient to future climate change impacts.

#### (2)

#### atalytic Effect

The project is likely to have a significant positive impact on the revitalization of the downtown by attracting other public and private investment at a scale appropriate for the NYF community.



#### Project Readiness

The project should be well-developed and poised to proceed in the near-term in a way that will jump start the redevelopment of the NYF area.



#### Eligible Proje

The project must be one of the eligible project types outlined in the Eligibility Criteria section on pages two and three and must meet all the requirements for that specific project type.



#### Cost Effectivenes

Investment of NYF funds in the project would represent an effective and efficient use of public



#### Co-Benefits

The project will result in secondary benefits to both the community and project developer, beyond the primary goal of the project, which will generate additional economic activity, grow the local property tax base, improve quality of life in the neighborhood, and/or result in improved buildings likely to create healthier, more comfortable and productive environments in which to live and work.  Office hours are available for project sponsors to discuss project-specific details with members of the consultant team. Dates and times are as follows:

- Virtual: (Conducted via Zoom)
  - July 5<sup>th</sup> 4:00 5:00 PM
  - July 6<sup>th</sup> 1:30 2:30 PM
- In Person: (Cape Vincent Village Office)
  - July 24<sup>th</sup> 2:30 3:30 PM

Office Hours details available through Project Website: **CapeVincent-NYForward.com** 

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**





- Public Engagement Plan Draft
- Public Open House
  - July 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 8:00 PM at Rec Park
- Pop-up/Local Outreach
- Community Survey
  - Opening July 24<sup>th</sup> at Open House
- NY Forward website
  - www.CapeVincent-NYForward.com

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**



# Public Open House

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 8:00 PM
- Rec Park
- "Stay for as long or as little as you like!"
- Learn about NY Forward and share ideas.
- Project Team will be on site for questions.



#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**



# **Community Survey**

- Opening July 24<sup>th</sup> at Public Open House
- Will provide opportunity for members of the community to share thoughts and ideas
- Hard copies will be available at Village Office
- Online version of Survey will be available at www.CapeVincent-NYForward.com



### **DOWNTOWN PROFILE OVERVIEW**



"The Downtown Profile and Assessment tells a clear and concise story of the NY Forward community — where it is today, how it got there, and where it is going — and provides the logical basis for project recommendations."

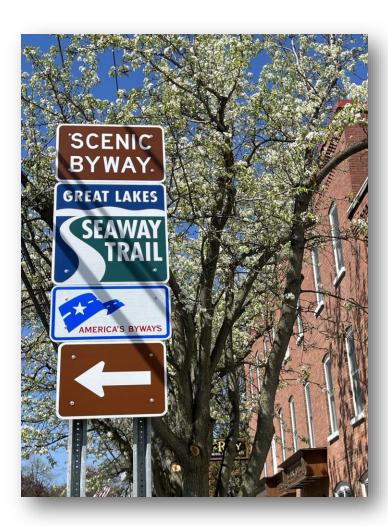


### **DOWNTOWN PROFILE OVERVIEW**



#### **Required Components**

- Study Area/Boundary Description
- Demographic Overview
- Regional and Historic Context
- Recent Plans and Investment
- Alignment with Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) Strategies
- Physical Setting
- Economic Trends and Opportunities
- Synthesis of Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities



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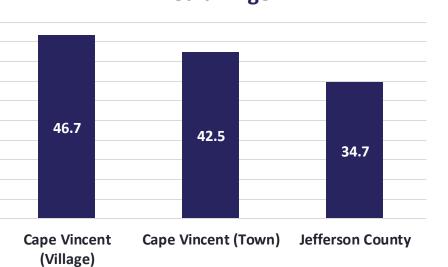


■ Homeowners ■ Renters

#### **Population**

	Cape Vincent (Village)	Cape Vincent (Town)	Jefferson County
2020	699	2,765	116,721
2010	726	2,777	116,229
2000	760	3,327	111,738
1990	683	2,882	110,943

# Median Age



#### **Employment**

Cape Vincent (Village): Class Worker	
Employee of private company workers	63.5%
Self-employed in own incorporated business workers	0.0%
Private not-for-profit wage and salary workers	1.1%
Local, state, and federal government workers	28.8%
Self-employed in unincorporated business workers and unpaid family members	6.7%



#### **REVISED VISION**

Cape Vincent's scenic, historical, and natural character will form the foundation for sustainable economic growth that preserves and highlights the village's small-town charm and its agrarian roots while sustaining the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario for both pleasure and commerce. Through compatible economic and residential growth, Cape Vincent will be a community that welcomes artisans and musicians, provides a high quality of life for residents, and serves as a unique destination for visitors.



### **GOALS**

- Realistic;
- Clear and well-defined; and
- Aligned with and supportive of the community's vision



- All-Season Destination: Build on Cape Vincent's reputation as a first-class destination for recreation, cultural events, and the arts.
- Welcoming Gateways: Bolster a sense of place in Cape Vincent by enhancing entry points to the community.
- Quality of Life: Expand the range of services and amenities available to current and prospective Cape Vincent community members.
- Natural Environment: Celebrate Cape Vincent's unique location on the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario, ensuring the sustainability of those and other important environmental resources.



# GOALS

What goals are important to achieve the Vision for downtown Cape Vincent?



## STRATEGIES

- Actionable statements that are specific with local context;
- Derived from opportunities and challenges
- Relate to the proposed DRI/NYF projects;
- Clearly and concisely direct a type of action to help meet a specific goal; and
- Guide the community on how to continue revitalization beyond DRI/NYF projects.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Future LPC Meetings (monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
  - LPC #3 August 10, 9:00 11:00 a.m.
  - LPC #4 September 14, 9:00 11:00 a.m.
- Call for Projects Solicitation
  - Opens June 19 Closes July 31
- Consultant Team
  - Finalize Downtown Profile
  - Refine Goals/Strategies
  - Prepare Preliminary Projects List
  - Project Evaluation Criteria for LPC
- Public Open House #1
  - Monday, July 24 from 6:00 8:00 PM

Project Website: www.CapeVincent-NYForward.com

