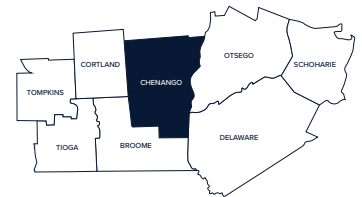# SOUTHERN TIER 8
### REGIONAL BOARD

## CHENANGO

## MISSION

To partner with member counties to identify and address multi-county issues in order to improve the quality of life within the region.

## THE ROLE OF THE REGIONAL BOARD

**1** **PRIORITIZE ANNUAL FEDERAL INVESTMENTS** of the ARC and EDA that support self-sustaining and alignment of local economic development initiatives. *Ex.) Area Development Program*

**2** **PROMOTE COLLABORATION** with partner organizations and strategic ecosystem development. *Ex.) Regional Broadband Collaborative, New Energy New York Tech Hub, Broome Tioga Stormwater Coalition, and Recovery-to-Work Workforce Development*

**3** **PROVIDE EDUCATION AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES** to support economic & community development with public and private sector stakeholders. *Ex.) Industry Summit Platform, So-Tier Regional Portal*

## 2024 BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

### BROOME

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**MICHELLE CATAN**
OTSEGO COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE

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**JULIE PACATTE**
SCHOHARIE ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE
CORPORATION DIRECTOR

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TIOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC
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**RON CIOTOLI**
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATOR

### TOMPKINS

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**HEATHER MCDANIEL**
PRESIDENT, ITHACA AREA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

**GREGORY MEZEY**
TOMPKINS COUNTY LEGISLATOR

## ECOSYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

### BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE

Since 2021, the Broadband Collaborative (Staff, County Planning, Southern Tier Network, Inc and BOCES) built community capacity and provided technical assistance with educational resources & national expertise, advocacy, data, project development, community outreach.

**RESULTS**:

NTIA BEAD/NYS ESD's Connect All investment of $87 million for 17,997 households (hardest-to-serve, most rural) across Chenango, Cortland, Tioga and Schoharie Counties.

Fiber/Ground Infrastructure: for 25 years of service Build cost: **$193 per year & Consumer cost: $55-$99/month**

### INNOVATION TECH HUB

Hosted a **regional partnership development program** to consider alternative strategies in workforce readiness, community engagement and housing policies, in **advancing the Southern Tier's Tech Hub ecosystem** with 19 professionals from all 8 member counties, to engage with ARC ARISE $10 million recipient Catalyst Connection & EDA Build Back Better Recipient Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission, and others in Pittsburgh, PA from November 19-21.

### WORKFORCE HOUSING

With the 8 County Planning Departments, staff assessed local housing needs, and **defined 6 shared priorities:**

1. Increase Availability and Variety of Options
2. Support New Development
3. Improve Existing Stock
4. Enhance Capacity to Implement Solutions
5. Revitalize Existing Neighborhoods
6. Provide Options for Demographics with Specific Needs

In 2025, a Regional Workforce Housing Coalition will be established for "building to scale" a portfolio of investment opportunities with a Market Study & region's 1st Capital Stack for workforce housing.

# SOUTHERN TIER 8
### REGIONAL BOARD

# RETURN ON INVESTMENT

## CHENANGO COUNTY 2020-2024

COUNTY INVESTMENT: **$62,400**
ARC & EDA Investments: **$8,619,707**
ROI : **$1 : $13,714**

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## 2024 REGIONAL PLANNING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- Provided project development and technical assistance to **48 unique local organizations**.

- Provided grant administration assistance for **45** Active Projects across the 8 counties.

- Hosted **6 CEDS "Sync-Up Sessions"** to provide partner networking opportunities and project development, with **81 attendees.**

- Promoted **STEM & Entrepreneurship** opportunities across **74** unique school districts.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR 5 PROJECTS CLOSED IN 2024

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|---|---|
| **146** | Businesses Served |
| **238** | Businesses Improved |
| **8** | Communities Served/Improved |
| **25** | Organizations Served |
| **30** | Organizations Improved |
| **725** | Students Served |
| **919** | Students Improved |
| **577** | Workers/Trainees Served |
| **205** | Workers/Trainees Improved |

## BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

**CHENANGO 2024**

**Shane Butler**
Director of Planning & Airport Administrator

**Bob Jeffrey**
Supervisor, City of Norwich Wards 4,5,6

**Erik Scrivener**
Community Development Director City of Norwich

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## 2020

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|---|---|
| Career Destinations Program: DCMO BOCES | $99,817+ |
| Mapping the Southern Tier Clean Energy Eco-System with Tier Energy Network | $65,000 + |
| Opportunity Zones Regional Portfolio | $84,500 + |
| STEED Loan | $126,000 |

## 2021

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|---|---|
| Collaborative Recovery Empowerment of the Southern Tier (CREST) | $479,237 + |
| The Hub Online Health Career Center: Health Workforce New York, Inc. | $116,954 + |
| Getthere Transportation to Employment Program: Rural Health Network of SCNY | $150,000 + |
| Physician Assistant Program: Ithaca College | $147,233 + |
| Turning Businesses Into Classrooms: DCMO BOCES | $112,000 + |
| Rural Recovery Development Opportunities and Career Services: FOR-DO | $500,000 + |

## 2022

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|---|---|
| North4 INSPIRE: Leatherstocking Education on Alcoholism/Addictions Foundation (LEAF) | $378,704 + |
| Closing the Gap: Student-Workforce Mentoring Program – DCMO BOCES | $78,290 + |
| Appalachian Regional Commission Leadership Fellow | $6,950 |

## 2023

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|---|---|
| EDA Build Back Better Challenge: Binghamton University | $63.7 million + |
| Lt Warren E. Eaton Airport Bldg. Renovations: Chenango County | $200,000 |
| Chenango County 2050 Vision Plan: Chenango County | $90,000 |
| New Energy New York:  Binghamton University ARC | $1,500,000 + |
| Appalachian Regional Community-Owned Grid Resilient Infrastructure (ARCO-GRIP) | $500,000 + |
| Appalachian Digital Equity Accelerator – Connect Humanity | $30,000 |

## 2024

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|---|---|
| TakeCharge Southern Tier: TakeCharge NY | $150,000 + |
| ConnectAll Technical Assistance Cybersecurity Grant | $90,000 |
| Electric Technology Training Center Planning Study | $50,000 |
| DCEC Line Worker Training Program Development Project (ARISE, across Appalachia) | $400,000 |

## 2025 Pending

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|---|---|
| Appalachian Rural Health Technical Assistance Center (ARISE, Across Appalachia) | $5,200,000 |
| SPARK: Community-Based Small Business Incubator Network (ARISE) | $189,720 |
| Southern Tier Regional Housing Investment Framework | $200,000 |

ARC Appalachian Regional Commission

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*Projects: "+" represents total for the project is provided below, but ROI is calculated on county portion of total funds.*