



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*

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RETURN ON INVESTMENT

SCHOHARIE COUNTY 2019-2023

COUNTY INVESTMENT: **\$40,240**

ARC, EDA & DOL Investments: **\$11,080,81**

ROI : **\$1 : \$27,435**

2023 REGIONAL PLANNING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- Provided project development and technical assistance to **68 unique local organizations** for Area Development & IIJA opportunities. Hosted **4** grant writing sessions, with **36** attendees, reviewed **15** pre-applications & assisted in preparing **9** FY2024 Area Development applications, totaling \$1,275,614.
- Hosted **4** CEDS “Sync-Up Sessions” to provide partner networking opportunities and project development, with **97** attendees.
- Provided grant administration assistance (including ArcNet training) for **45** Active Projects: **38** Area Development, **3** POWER, **4** INSPIRE.
- Hosted Regional Broadband Collaborative, leading the FCC Map Challenge and 2nd Annual Upstate Rural Broadband Conference, approx. **136** attendees.
- Successfully completed ARC’s 1st INSPIRE Recovery-to-Work Ecosystem Development Program.
- Drafted a new regional 5-year plan (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, CEDS 2023-2027).
- Advocated for the New Energy New York Tech Hub designation for Battery Innovation across Appalachia New York.

COMPLETED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- 178** Businesses Served
- 25** Businesses Improved
- 3** Jobs Created/Retained
- 70** Students Served
- 68** Students Improved
- 177** Workers/Trainees Served
- 66** Workers/Trainees Improved

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES

SCHOHARIE 2023

Shane Nickle
Director of Schoharie County Planning & Community Development Services

Alicia Terry
Board of Supervisors
Town of Gilboa

Julie Pacatte
Executive Director
Schoharie Economic Enterprise Corporation

2019

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| WORC Grant: Agricultural Engineering SUNY Cobleskill | \$1,962,182 |
| Energy Infrastructure Assessment: Addressing Energy Needs | \$150,000 + |
| Village of Schoharie Trails | \$150,000 |
| Vision 2050: NYS as the Northeast’s Leading Foodshed | \$111,284 + |

2020

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| Mapping the Southern Tier Clean Energy Eco-System with Tier Energy Network | \$65,000 + |
| Opportunity Zones Regional Portfolio | \$84,500+ |

2021

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| Collaborative Recovery Empowerment of the Southern Tier (CREST) | \$479,237 + |
| Regional Independent Food Processing: Schoharie Economic Enterprise Corporation (SEEC) | \$25,000 + |
| Physician Assistant Program: Ithaca College | \$147,233 + |
| STEM Education: Oak Ridge National Lab Program: Two Students | \$17,790 |

2022

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| Otsego County Innovation/Acceleration Center: Otsego County IDA | \$150,000 + |
| North4 INSPIRE: Leatherstocking Education on Alcoholism/Addictions Foundation (LEAF) | \$378,704 + |
| Appalachian Regional Commission Leadership Fellow | \$6,950 |

2023

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| EDA Build Back Better Challenge: Binghamton University | \$63.7 million + |
| Cobleskill Agricultural Society Community Kitchen | \$127,500 (2022) |
| Schoharie County Comprehensive Housing Study: Schoharie County Planning | \$85,000 |
| Driving the Regional Economy: ONC BOCES | \$86,925 + |
| The Inn at Kirkside Virtual Food Hub: MARK Project | \$175,000 + |
| New Energy New York: Binghamton University ARC | \$1,500,000 + |
| Building Skilled Workforce: Delaware County Electric Cooperative | \$400,000 + |
| Appalachian Regional Community-Owned Grid Resilient Infrastructure (ARCO-GRIP) | \$500,000 + |



SOUTHERN TIER 8

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

Southern Tier 8 Regional Board is the counties link to federal planning and economic development investments. We are a government agency offering shared services in grant writing and administration, geospatial and data analysis, and infrastructure solutions with consideration for our natural resources across the eight-county region of Broome, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Schoharie, Tioga and Tompkins.