

Village of Pulaski



**Downtown Revitalization Initiative Round 8 &
Restore NY Round 3**

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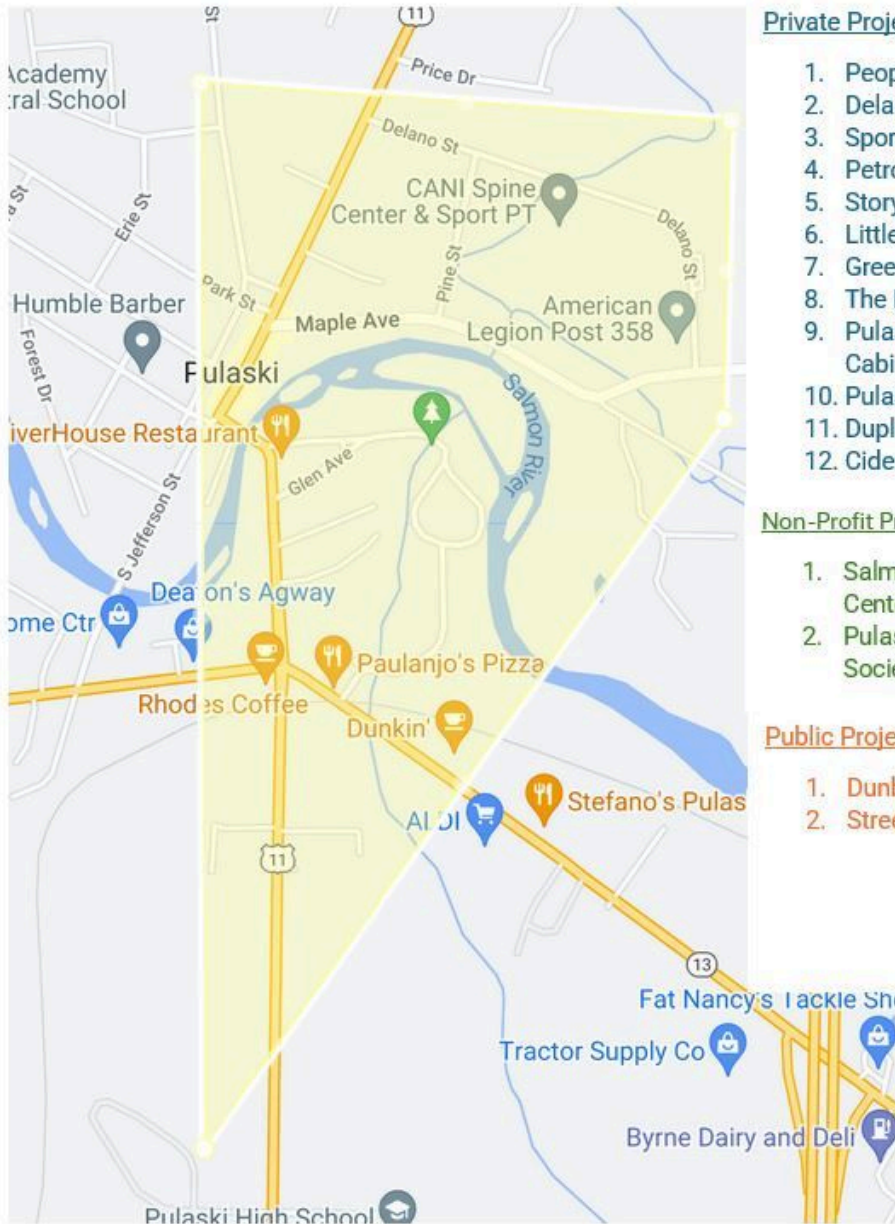
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Geographic Area & Justification

Nestled in northern Oswego County, the Village of Pulaski is a charming community known for being the ultimate destination for salmon fishing enthusiasts. Situated between the scenic eastern shores of Lake Ontario and the historic Seaway Trail, this village serves as the economic hub for the region and beyond. With its strategic location at the crossroads of Interstate 81 and State Highways 11 and 13 and being connected to a freight railroad line running from Canada to Syracuse, NY, Pulaski is easily accessible. The Village of Pulaski also sits a short distance away from the Lake Ontario National Marine Sanctuary making it an ideal lodging spot for shipwreck divers and visitors to the sanctuary.

The heart of the village is embraced by the renowned Salmon River, a world-class fishing spot that draws in countless visitors annually. The area around the river, which is encompassed by the DRI / NY Forward boundary, is ripe for enhancement, promising a heightened experience for both locals and tourists. Pulaski's history is deeply intertwined with the Salmon River, which once served as a vital gathering place for native tribes like the Onondaga and Oneida Clans of the Haudenosaunee Nation and early European explorers. Over time, settlers recognized the immense potential of the river and utilized its power to establish commercial buildings, grist mills, and sawmills.

The river's energy was harnessed to fuel these industries, playing a pivotal role in the community's growth and prosperity. Today, the Salmon River continues to captivate visitors, attracting thousands of anglers and tourists eager to witness the spectacle of the annual salmon migration. The tree-lined shores come alive with the hustle and bustle of sportspeople and sightseers, all seeking to partake in the excitement that the river and its inhabitants bring.

Just a few steps from the charming Salmon River lies the heart of the Village, Main Street. This historic area, the Pulaski Village Historic District, is brimming with character and charm. Main Street boasts a meticulously reconstructed commercial district, built with fireproof bricks to ensure the safety of the thriving businesses that call Pulaski home. Here, you'll find a delightful array of local businesses, art centers, boutiques, restaurants, and two inviting public parks.

Pulaski is actively pursuing DRI / NY Forward funding to further enhance its economic potential, create new job opportunities, and improve the quality of life for its residents, and future generations. This funding would accelerate progress, helping Pulaski forge a brighter future for all its inhabitants. With unwavering determination and thoughtful planning, Pulaski is dedicated to maximizing opportunities and cultivating a thriving, inclusive community for everyone.





Vision Statement

Imagine a Village where the charm of yesterday meets the promise of tomorrow. Pulaski is that village, nestled between scenic routes and the flowing Salmon River. Our vision is to elevate the quality of life for every resident while welcoming visitors and future neighbors with open arms. Picture a place where new commercial and hospitality venues flourish, offering delightful experiences and essential services. Envision parks that are more vibrant housing options that cater to the growing families, all while preserving the warm, welcoming atmosphere that makes Pulaski unique

We see a future where our streetscapes are revitalized, core infrastructures are enhanced, and a world-class hospitality venue is a testament to our dedication to progress. We aim to stimulate job growth and create a thriving, inclusive community. Pulaski is not just a place to live- it's a place to grow, enjoy, and call home..

Restored Railroad Arches



Past Investment & Future Potential

Over the years, the Village has made steady progress, positioning itself as a strong contender for the DRI/NY Forward Grant opportunities. Collaborating with PROP (Preservation Revitalization of Pulaski), a dedicated volunteer group established in the 1980s, the Village has completed various projects such as the Farmer's Market, Banner Project, tree plantings, festivals, and park enhancements. Pulaski is committed to a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, evidenced by its numerous Climate Smart Community initiatives. These include the conversion of street lighting to LEDs, HVAC upgrades in municipal buildings, installation of car chargers, community solar and heating/cooling campaigns, benchmarking, and code officer training. The Village has been recognized with the Climate Smart Community Bronze Award and has earned enough points to apply for the next level. Additionally, Pulaski has collaborated with the Town of Richland to update the joint 2016 "Climate Action Plan" and has been awarded Tree City status for the last two years. Several ongoing and completed projects demonstrate the community's dedication to progress and sustainability.

Past Investment &

Future Potential

Pulaski was honored as the first Pro-Housing Community in Central New York. The restoration of the historic masonry railroad "Arches" on the Salmon Riverwalk was completed in 2023, preserving the community's historic landmarks. Selkirk Landing, a 24-unit Senior Apartment complex and 20 Duplexes, was occupied in 2023, and a Main Street Anchor Project on the banks of the Salmon River is set to commence soon. The Restore NY, Round 6 project is also making significant progress. In addition to community initiatives, the Village has focused on infrastructure improvements, including the acquisition of new DPW equipment and ongoing projects such as water main replacement, sewer expansion, and High School Sidewalk improvements. Looking ahead, a DRI/NY Grant award would further accelerate the Village's development, expand housing opportunities, and serve as a catalyst for continued growth and enhancements. Pulaski's strategic location near the upcoming Micron Facility positions the village to significantly benefit from increased economic activity, job creation, and community development, making it an ideal candidate for grant funding to support this growth.

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Before



After



Recent & Impending Job Growth

The Village of Pulaski stands as a thriving epicenter of opportunity, offering a diverse array of job prospects across multiple engaging industries, including education, manufacturing, healthcare, service provision, and tourism. This bustling community has attracted attention as one of the notable regions in which the largest employers are not only expanding their operations but are also actively seeking enthusiastic individuals to join their workforce.

One of the most significant recent developments is the impressive investment made by Felix Schoeller North America, Inc. They have allocated a remarkable \$24.1 million towards the establishment of a cutting-edge manufacturing line and comprehensive renovations of their facilities. This strategic investment is projected to generate 30 full-time job openings—23 of which will be filled by members of the United Steelworkers Union, thereby reinforcing a strong partnership between the company and the local labor community.

Connxtcare, also a key player in the local economy, recently completed an extensive \$2 million renovation of its Pulaski branch. This upgrade has allowed them to fill 12 positions and solidify their presence in the area, with plans to recruit an additional 22 staff members. Their commitment to enhancing community healthcare services showcases the integral role they play in meeting residents' needs.

Fulton Industries continues to make waves in Pulaski with its operational expansion, currently offering five newly created career opportunities at its headquarters. This facility is not only a manufacturing powerhouse but also the central hub for their research and development initiatives, underscoring their focus on innovation and progress.



Recent & Impending Job Growth

Another notable contributor to the region's employment landscape is Healthway Manufacturing. They have made a substantial investment of \$2.8 million to convert a former auto dealership into an expansive 32,000-square-foot filtration manufacturing facility. This transformation is poised to create 75 new jobs, greatly enhancing the local economy and providing numerous residents with valuable employment

Located conveniently near State Route 81, the Village of Pulaski enjoys a prime position allowing easy access to larger urban centers. Residents can reach significant cities like Watertown and Syracuse in just a 40-minute drive, making it an appealing place for those who value the calm of village life combined with the amenities of nearby metropolitan areas.

Additionally, the village's location provides access to charming neighboring towns such as Oswego, Fulton, and Mexico, each offering unique attractions and services.

Looking forward, the Village of Pulaski is excited about the promising future of its employment landscape, anticipating the creation of numerous new job opportunities through ongoing initiatives like the Restore NY and Main Street Anchor projects. Among the exciting developments on the horizon are the Salmon River Hotel and Luxury Cabin Colony, alongside proposed retail spaces at the People's Bank. These projects are expected not only to generate jobs but also to increase tourism, thereby benefiting a variety of commercial enterprises. Local businesses, including sports shops, antique stores, retail outlets, grocery stores, and restaurants, are likely to see a boost in patronage, creating a vibrant and interconnected community where residents and visitors alike can enjoy all that Pulaski has to offer.

Quality of Life

The Village of Pulaski is not just a place to live; it's a vibrant community that offers an exceptional quality of life. Nestled amidst lush greenery and serene landscapes, Pulaski provides a peaceful environment that is perfect for families. With its friendly, welcoming residents, it truly feels like home. At the heart of Pulaski lies a commercial hub that merges convenience with variety, catering to both locals and visitors alike. Two large grocery chains and local farm stores ensure that fresh produce and essentials are always at your fingertips. The culinary scene is a feast for the senses, featuring an array of restaurants that satisfy diverse cravings. Unique gift shops and antique stores offer delightful treasures waiting to be discovered. With accessible banks and credit unions, and the convenience of laundromats and dry cleaners, Pulaski effortlessly combines charm with practicality, making it a fantastic place to call home. Pulaski is a treasure trove of activities and attractions, solidifying its status as a prime destination for both visitors and new residents. Imagine fishing in the Salmon River or enjoying the breathtaking views of the eastern shore of Lake Ontario. For those who appreciate the arts, the Salmon River Fine Arts center enriches creativity, while the Kallet Theater hosts live performances that bring the community together for unforgettable experiences. The nearby state parks provide endless opportunities to explore the great outdoors. Pulaski's robust civic engagement guarantees that there is always something happening, from lively community events in the parks to beloved village-wide celebrations like the Memorial Day Ceremony and Winter Fest in January. These gatherings not only entertain but also foster a strong sense of belonging. As Pulaski embraces modern amenities like online learning and broadband access, it successfully maintains its cherished small-town charm. Despite its rural setting, Pulaski has cultivated a delightful food scene that emphasizes fresh and local fare. The Amish community plays a vital role, offering roadside stands filled with seasonal produce.



Quality of Life

The local Farmer's Market is a summer favorite, attracting many residents. Food accessibility is a priority in Pulaski, with programs such as a Food Pantry, deliveries from the CNY Food Bank, and a Senior Nutrition Center at the new housing development, Selkirk Landing. Additional initiatives like "Meals on Wheels," weekend backpacks for students, and free community dinners at local churches demonstrate the village's commitment to supporting local businesses while ensuring that everyone has access to nourishing meals.

The arrival of broadband internet access has been nothing short of revolutionary for this rural community. Thanks to the joint efforts of Spectrum and Frontier Companies, residents now enjoy high-speed internet, enhancing communication, information sharing, and local business opportunities. This connectivity has streamlined government services and bolstered economic growth, allowing the school district to offer valuable online learning options. The impact of broadband access cannot be overstated, as it has fundamentally transformed the village's ability to serve its citizens effectively.

Located in Pulaski, the main campus of Connex Care serves as a cornerstone for healthcare in Northern Oswego County. The Pulaski Health Care Center provides a comprehensive array of services, including routine medical care for families, dental services, laboratory testing, radiology, physical therapy, and mental health services and school based health centers. With urgent care and independent practices in the area, residents have a wealth of healthcare options. Connex Care is also a significant employer, contributing to the economic vitality of the community. In Pulaski, you will find more than just a place to live; you will discover a nurturing community dedicated to quality of life, inclusivity, and growth for all.

Supportive Local Policies

The Village of Pulaski has made significant progress in implementing policies to enhance the quality of life for current and future residents. These initiatives promote sustainable development, ensuring the community thrives for generations. In collaboration with the Town of Richland, the Village reviewed and modernized its Comprehensive Plan with funding received a decade ago, culminating in an update by a resident committee in 2023 to address future developments like the Micron project. The Village is dedicated to preserving its historic downtown area, enacting a local law to create a Historic District and a review board to assist with property alterations. In 2019, a committee was established to update outdated zoning laws, resulting in modern regulations that reflect current community needs. Recognized as Climate-Smart Communities by the Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board, Pulaski and Richland are working on energy efficiency campaigns and community solar projects to promote sustainability. Pulaski is also certified as a Pro-Housing Community, with the Selkirk Landing development providing 64 affordable apartments for families and seniors. In 2020, the Village established a Tree Committee that has planted 50 new trees, earning Tree City certification and addressing issues like climate change and stormwater runoff. The Village's Water and Sewer Boards focus on policy changes and infrastructure upgrades to support future growth. Additionally, Pulaski has joined the Salmon River Conference of Governance, allowing access to resources and collaborative planning to ensure the long-term health of the Salmon River ecosystem.

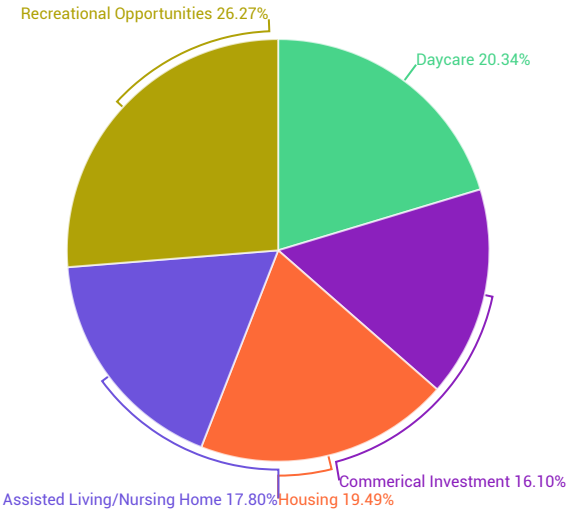


Public Support

The Village of Pulaski is fortunate with a community that passionately supports its growth and success. The community of Pulaski is genuinely dedicated to the Village's prosperity, as evidenced by the abundance of volunteer opportunities and locally owned businesses throughout the area. On June 20, 2024, The Village organized a meeting to provide information about the DRI / NY Forward grant opportunity. The purpose of the meeting was to encourage community members to share their feedback and learn more about the grant. Additionally, The Village created a community survey accessible online and at local community buildings, Farmer's markets, and businesses, allowing the public to provide their input. With the community's feedback we received, we have shaped our projects. The local government is committed to improving the community by boosting job creation, maintaining infrastructure, and offering excellent public services. The Comprehensive Planning Board has an essential role in shaping the Village's future, and it is encouraging to see such active engagement from elected officials and community members. There is no doubt that Pulaski will continue to flourish for years to come with continued collaboration and effort.



Community Survey Results



Summary of Transformative Projects For DRI/ NY Forward

The Village of Pulaski is recommending 16 projects for funding through the Downtown Revitalization Initiative, which would represent a total investment of \$73,069,969. Additionally, the Village is suggesting 14 projects for funding through the NY Forward Program, amounting to a total investment of \$13,069,896. This list of projects aligns with the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan, the goals of the DRI/NY Forward Programs, and the community's vision for its future.

Number	Proposed Project	Estimated Project Cost	DRI / NY Forward Funding Requested
1	Peoples Bank	\$800,000.00	\$300,000 / \$200,000
2	Delano Housing Development	\$1,500,000.00	\$700,000.00
3	Sportsman's Shop	\$201,192.00	\$75,000.00
4	Petrocci Apartments	\$1,000,000.00	\$300,000.00
5	Storytellers Building	\$895,981.00	\$350,000.00
6	Little Lukes Preschool	\$78,000.00	\$45,000.00
7	Green Building	\$1,013,000.00	\$400,000 / \$200,000
8	The Flashy Flamingo	\$150,000.00	\$75,000.00
9	Pulaski Social and Riverside Cabins (DRI only)	\$15,000,100.00	\$2,500,000.00
10	Pulaski Hotel (DRI only)	\$45,000,000.00	\$2,000,000.00
11	Duplex Senior Housing	\$2,000,000.00	\$873,400.00
12	Cider Mill Lodge	\$535,096.00	\$200,000 / \$100,000
13	Salmon River Fine Art Center	\$300,000.00	\$150,000.00
14	Pulaski Historical Society	\$111,600.00	\$51,600.00
15	Dunbar Field upgrades	\$2,000,000.00	\$900,000.00
16	Streetscape	\$2,485,000.00	\$1,080,000.00
	Total DRI Proposal	\$73,069,969.00	\$10,000,000.00
	Total NY Forward Proposal	\$13,069,869.00	\$4,500,000.00

Transformative Project Opportunities

Imagine the historic downtown district of Pulaski Village, an ideal location for investment. Positioned near the picturesque Salmon River waterfront, this area is the gateway to essential services and infrastructure, always at the heart of the Village. Recognized as the DRI/NY Forward area, it features updated policies, strategic investments, and climate-smart projects. These initiatives ensure that any investment made here will be utilized wisely, benefiting both the village and investors for many years to come. Here are the projects that will drive this transformation:

Private Projects:

Delano Housing Development

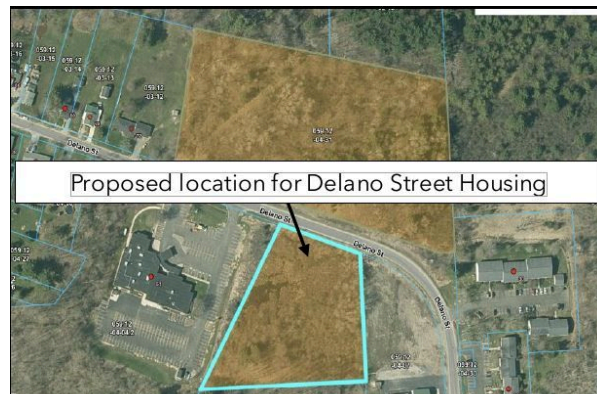
The project would provide housing next to Connex Care Medical Facility and NOCA Ambulance Headquarters, two essential services, and some of Pulaski's largest employers.

Address:	Delano Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	PSP Holdings
Time Line:	1 year
Cost:	\$1,500,000
Possible Funding:	Palm Family, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Economic growth, convenience for seniors, enhancing quality of life, much needed housing
Readiness:	Site Control

People's Bank



This building holds great historical significance and serves as both the starting and ending point of the downtown area. It provides 4,800 square feet of commercial space for mixed-use, with plans to renovate the interior of the old bank building. The ground floor will feature two store fronts restored to their original design, while the second floor, previously a banquet hall, will be converted into a 2,400-square-foot micro-venue. The owner has invested over \$300,000 in the project and received \$50,000 from the NY Main Street Grant program. The prior investment was utilized to restore the exterior masonry and replace several large building windows. Currently, one of the storefronts is actively being utilized as a store.



Address:	4881 N Jefferson Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Property Sponsor/Owner:	Park Jefferson LLC
Time Line:	Summer 2025
Costs:	\$800,000
Additional Funding:	Developer, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Economic growth, increased foot traffic, enhanced community life, housing
Readiness:	Shovel Ready



Sportsman's Shop

For generations, this buildings has stood as a beloved landmark for visitors who have come to fish in the salmon river. Now, in the hands of the third generation owner, there is a heartfelt desire to restore it to its former glory. The vision is to transform the downstairs into a vibrant retail space, while the upstairs will be converted into six charming apartments. Inspired by the neighboring building, which has been beautifully rehabilitated with balconies and remains perpetually occupied, this project aims to capitalize on the building's unparalleled views of the salmon river. This restoration will not only honor the building's rich history but also breathes new life into the community.

Address:	4826 Salina Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Property Sponsor/Owner:	Zana Gervaise
Time Line:	Summer of 2025
Costs:	\$201,192
Possible Funding:	Self-Funded, Bank Loan, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impacts:	Increase housing, Stimulate Job Growth, Increase revenue and economic impact to the Village
Readiness:	Site Control/shovel ready



Petrocci Apartments

This Summer, the old building that once stood here was demolished, leaving a blank canvas for a transformative project. In it's place, two new structures are proposed: an apartment unit with 6-9 apartments and a duplex. This development promises to significantly approve the area by providing much-needed housing and revitalizing an underutilized space. The vision is to create a vibrant community hub that breathes new life

Address:	9 Lewis Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Property Sponsor/Owner:	Louis & Carolyn Petrocci
Time Line:	Spring 2025
Costs:	\$1,000,000
Possible Funding:	Personal Funds, Commercial Loan secured by unencumbered real estate/DRI/NY Forward Grant
Transformative Impacts:	Provides much-needed housing, attracting new residents, Enhances visual appeal, increasing property values, Revitalizes an underutilized space, fosters a stronger sense of community, boosts the local economy
Readiness:	Site control/shovel ready

Storytellers Building

The building stands empty, its interior completely gutted and ready for a fresh start. Plans are in place to transform the first floor into a lively liquor store and a welcoming restaurant, adding new flavors and experiences to the downtown area. Meanwhile, the second floor will be updated and converted into additional housing, providing much-needed living space.



Address:	4861 N Jefferson Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	CJ Bertrum
Time Line:	Summer 2025
Cost:	\$895,981
Possible Sources:	Self Funded, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Boosts local economy, create new job opportunities, enhance downtown appeal, provide housing, encourages further investments and renovations in the historic district
Readiness:	Site Control/Shovel Ready

Address:	20 Castle Drive Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	Ed Alberts, Little Lukes Owner & Strategic Domains, LLC; Abby Weaver, Little Lukes COO
Time Line:	November 2024; complete daycare application & NYS Education dept application, January 2025 open preschool classrooms, pending approval and funding
Costs:	\$78,000
Readiness:	Site Control
Transformative Impact:	Revitalizing a vacant building, creating job opportunities, increasing accessibility to early childhood education, promoting overall community development and well-being
Funding Sources:	Checking for any daycare funds through OCFS, Business Loans from Pathfinder Bank, Advocacy to elected officials to support daycare subsidy increases and capital purchases

Little Lukes Preschool & Childcare Center

Little Luke's respectfully request DRI funding to support the reopening of the vacant daycare building at 20 Castle Drive. This initiative aims to establish a preschool program offering daycare for children aged 3-5 years old, including an inclusive preschool for children with special needs and developmental delays. The requested DRI funds will be allocated towards enhancing safety, accessibility, and learning opportunities for local students by addressing critical facility and equipment needs. Specifically, the project will involve essential building repairs, upgrading classroom and playground equipment to accommodate children of all abilities, and ensuring the facility complies with all health and safety regulations mandated by New York State and Oswego County. These improvements will foster a more inclusive, functional, and secure environment for both children and staff, thereby supporting the overall development and well-being of the students they serve.



little Lukes
Preschool and Childcare Center

Present



Starting this November, the building will undergo stabilization, transforming the first floor into a vibrant retail space with stunning views of the Salmon River. This revitalization project is funded by the owner and a Main Street Anchor Grant, demonstrating a significant investment in the community's future. With additional funding, the plan includes rehabilitating the upstairs to create six charming apartments, enhancing local housing options and contributing to the area's economic growth.

Purposed plan



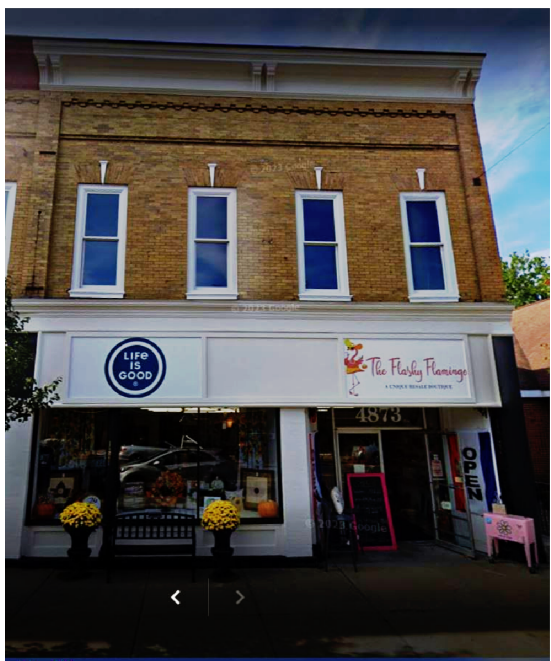
The Flashy Flamingo is gearing up to transform the vacant and neglected second floor of a Main Street building in the historic district. This project will convert the once-forgotten space into cozy living quarters, creating a charming 2-3 apartments.

Address:	4873 Jefferson St Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	JVQ LLC
Time Line:	Summer 2025
Cost:	\$150,000
Possible Funding:	Private financing/DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact	Much needed housing, boosts local economy
Readiness:	Shovel Ready

Green Building

Address:	4817-19 Salina Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	JVQ LLC
Time Line:	Fall 2025
Costs:	\$1,013,000
Possible Funding:	\$450,000 secured by private sources and bank funding, Main Street Anchor, Asking for \$400,000 in DRI/NY Forward grant
Transformative Impact:	Provides much-needed housing, enhances the Village's charm and vibrancy, boosts local economy, revitalizes a key building in the Village.
Readiness:	Site Control/Shovel Ready

The Flashy Flamingo



Pulaski Social & Riverside Cabins

The Pulaski Social will be a vibrant hospitality venue along the banks of the Salmon River, funded by Restore NY through the demolition of two abandoned houses and a bowling alley. The establishment will feature a family-friendly restaurant, banquet facilities for up to 150 guests, and four rooms for bridal parties or overnight guests.

A golf simulator will offer entertainment year-round, while outdoor seating around fire pits provides a cozy gathering spot. Additionally, it will serve as the reservation and check-in desk for cabins located near Fireman's Field. These year-round cabins will vary in size to accommodate different groups, offering breathtaking views of the river and a unique getaway for visitors.



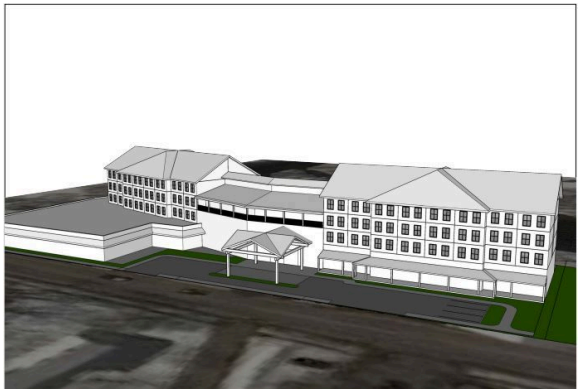
Address:	Salina St Pulaski NY 13142
Property Sponsor/Owner:	JVQ LLC
Time Line:	Fall 2026
Costs:	\$15,000,000
Possible Funding:	Private funding, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Tourism Magnet, Job creation, community gathering, destination appeal, increased revenue, unique experience
Readiness:	Site Secured/Shovel Ready



Pulaski Hotel

This is the second building in a three-part plan to enhance upscale hospitality in the Village of Pulaski. The project will feature an 88-room hotel, offering guests a choice between hotel rooms and cozy cabins with beautiful views of the Salmon River. In addition to comfortable lodging, the facility will provide fine dining options and venues for banquets, conferences, and conventions, making it a prime destination for both leisure and business travelers.

Address:	36 Lewis St Pulaski NY 13142
Property Sponsor/Owner:	JVQ LLC
Time Line:	Fall 2025
Cost:	\$45,000,000
Possible Funding:	\$1,000,000 secured in private construction loan, \$4,600,000 secured in private bank funding, DRI/ NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Enhancing local economy, provide full-time and part-time jobs,
Readiness:	Site Controlled



Cider Mill Lodge



MLK Enterprises LLC seized the opportunity to purchase the property at 110 Lewis Street in 2017, driven by a vision to restore this historic building and leverage its exceptional location along the Salmon River. Built in the late 1800s as a cider mill that also produced pickles and vinegar, this property boasts rich historical significance and is primed for transformation, especially given its rare ground-level access to the river. In 2021, the owner successfully completed essential renovations, including structural stabilization, a new roof, and minor electrical and plumbing updates, all funded by the NY Main Street grant and owner. The Cider Mill Lodge is poised to make a positive impact on the local economy. Nestled in a serene wooded area alongside the Salmon River, it offers a perfect blend of wilderness and convenience—just a short walk from the vibrant heart of downtown Pulaski. Visitors will find an array of restaurants, shops, and entertainment options, creating an inviting atmosphere for exploration and enjoyment.

Address:	110 Lewis Street
Property Sponsor/Owner:	MLK Enterprises LLC
Time Line:	Spring 2026
Costs:	\$535,096
Possible Funding:	Private, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Positive Impact on local economy, Create full-time jobs and part-time jobs,
Readiness:	Site secured



Delano Senior Housing

One key focus in Pulaski’s revitalization is developing senior living facilities. Pulaski’s central location and existing services make it ideal for senior living. The village offers multiple healthcare facilities, dental and vision care, urgent care, physical therapy, fitness centers, lab services, pharmacies, grocery stores, and recreational activities like walking trails and public swimming. Currently, senior living options are limited, with Springbrook Apartments and Selkirk Landing having waiting lists and income restrictions. A potential site for new development is located on the south side of Salina Street, next to Selkirk Landing. This plan will have 12 duplex (24-units) residential structures linked together with an access road and sidewalks.

Address:	Salina Street
Project Sponsor/Owner:	Mike Lasell
Time Line:	Beginning of 2025
Cost:	\$2,000,000
Possible Funding:	Private Sources, bank funding, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Housing availability, social opportunities, community integration, enhanced quality of life
Readiness:	Shovel Ready

Non-Profit Projects

Salmon River Fine Arts Center

The Salmon River Fine Art Center would be the beneficiary of a proposed Community Fund. They are in the Historic District and in need of more space for their many classes, Art Shows and outreach programs.



Pulaski Historical Society



In the heart of Pulaski, the dedicated Historical Society, a volunteer 501c organization, worked tirelessly to preserve the village's history. Their beloved museum, filled with treasures from the past, was a hub for school visits, community tours, and engaging presentations. They are faced with challenges, the museum entrances had become hazardous, and they need funds to make them safe and accessible. Additionally their growing collection required more storage space and the attic needs insulation and climate control to protect the artifacts.

Address:	3428 Maples Avenue Pulaski, NY 13142
Project Sponsor/Owner:	Pulaski Historical Society
Cost:	\$111,600
Time Line:	Spring 2025
Possible Funding	Grant Application to Snow Foundation, Community Fund Drive, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Preservation of heritage, educational resource, tourism boost, volunteer engagement
Readiness:	Site control

Address:	4876 N Jefferson Street Pulaski, NY 13142
Timeline:	Spring 2025
Costs:	\$300,000
Possible Funding:	Snow Foundation, Shineman Foundation Community Fund, DRI/NY Forward Grant
Readiness:	
Transformative Impact:	Community engagement, enhance quality of life, tourism attraction

Public Projects

Dunbar Field Upgrades

In July of 2023 a CFA Application was submitted to fund an Engineering and Planning Study for this property. It was awarded, BCA Engineering was awarded the bid and the engineering and planning is now in progress. Dunbar field is a piece of parkland owned by the Village along the banks of the Salmon River. The proposed improvements include a pedestrian bridge to the Haldane Recreational Facility, that would connect the two parklands, making them more accessible and used. Additionally, a walking trail, upgrading the parking space with car chargers, bathroom facilities, an ADA Compliant Fishing Area, more viewing spots of the Salmon River with benches and indoor recreational space to use during bad weather, pickle ball courts, and upgraded ball diamond and improved signage, way-finding and landscaping.



Address:	Lewis Street Pulaski, NY
Project Sponsor/Owner:	Village of Pulaski
Cost:	\$2,000,000
Time Line:	When engineering study is finished, Village will begin work that can be done in house, Spring 2025
Possible Funding:	CFA Grant, Kinny's Foundation, White's Foundation, Community Fund, Nation Grid Park Grants, Shineman Foundation, Village of Pulaski, DRI/NY Forward
Readiness:	Site control

Streetscapes

Dunbar requires improvements, particularly in creating safe walking routes for residents and visitors to key locations like the Haldane Center and Dunbar Field. The Village of Pulaski plans to build a sidewalk that will connect essential public places. The proposal includes a sidewalk behind Springbrook Apartments on Pine Street, extending to Delano Street. It will provide access to Connexx Care Medical Facility, an upcoming housing project, the Ambulance headquarters, and the American Legion. Currently, there is no safe route to these facilities. The sidewalk will branch into two directions: one will lead up Maple Avenue to Healthway and nearby medical offices, while the other will connect to the Haldane Center and the Village's existing sidewalks, linking to stores, schools, and local offices. Streetscape upgrades are also planned at the ends of Lewis Street to improve pedestrian travel, especially with upcoming projects at Dunbar Field and Fireman's Field. Signage and wayfinding will be included in the project.



Address:	Top of Pine Street, Delano Street, Maple Avenue, Opposite ends of Lewis Street
Project Sponsor/Owner:	Village of Pulaski
Costs:	\$2,000,000
Time Line:	Spring 2025
Possible Funding:	CFA Grant application for the Delano Sidewalk has been submitted, Shineman Foundation, Village Funding, DRI/NY Forward
Transformative Impact:	Aesthetic Appeal, Pedestrian Friendly, Economic Growth, Community pride, safety, property values, social interactions



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Administrative Capacity

The Village of Pulaski has built valuable partnerships with several organizations to effectively manage long-term public and private contracts. The collaboration between Village staff and the Board of Trustees has guided the community toward positive developments.

A close partnership with the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board (CNYRPDB) has led to key initiatives, including sidewalk enhancement projects for pedestrian safety and the Climate Smart Community Campaign aimed at promoting sustainable practices. The development of a strategic Climate Action Plan and the establishment of the Wellhead Protection Committee further demonstrate the Village's commitment to environmental stewardship.

The Village has also partnered with Municipal Solutions for oversight of essential water and sewer improvements, ensuring compliance with regulations. Additionally, they benefit from the expertise of a municipal consultant with over 35 years at the New York State Comptroller's office, providing insights into best practices and financial management.

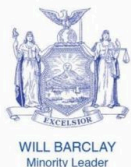
Collaboration with organizations like Operation Oswego County and the County's Office of Development has fostered economic development and community engagement. KL Consulting's alliance with the Village has been vital for securing various grants, including the Main Street Grant and Restore NY 6, highlighting the community's potential for revitalization.

The Village Board of Trustees, including dedicated residents and business owners, recognizes the importance of grant funding for implementing goals from The Comprehensive Plan. Mayor Jan Tighe has consistently demonstrated her commitment to the Village's growth.

Looking ahead, the Village Board maintains a positive outlook. They are also collaborating with engineering and consulting firms to further enhance infrastructure and community projects, positioning the Village of Pulaski for sustained progress.

Letters of Support





THE ASSEMBLY
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Oct. 17, 2024

Mr. Dan Kolinski
Regional Director
Empire State Development Corporation
620 Erie Boulevard West
Syracuse, New York 13204

Re: Village of Pulaski 2024 Downtown Revitalization Initiative/NY Forward Application.

Dear Mr. Kolinski:

The purpose of this letter is to express my support for the Village of Pulaski's application to the CNY Regional Economic Development Council for the 2024 Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI)/NY Forward program.

The Village of Pulaski, which is the economic hub of Northern Oswego County, is conveniently located at the crossroads of State Routes 11 and 13 and Interstate-81. In addition, the world-renowned Salmon River winds through the heart of the village and the village is located just four miles from Lake Ontario—making it a desirable location for residents and businesses.

A key strategy in the Village of Pulaski's application for the DRI/NY Forward is to bolster its housing options to retain existing residents and attract new ones. This would be achieved through a variety of housing projects. One housing project would turn an empty parking lot into a new apartment building. Other private development projects would renovate the second floors of commercial spaces downtown into apartment units. In addition to renovating spaces and building new units, Pulaski is poised to incorporate a neighborhood revitalization program geared for private homeowners that has been highly successful in other communities throughout Oswego

Mr. Kolinski
Oct. 17, 2024
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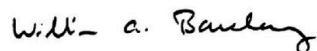
County. The synergy of these planned investments will create a more welcoming community, capitalize on its current housing assets, support neighborhoods, and help provide housing for the Pulaski workforce.

The grant application also has a focus on preserving and bolstering the arts in the village. The village's Salmon River Arts Center is a host site to art shows and classes for all ages and has regular meetings and events that attract people from all over the area to its offerings. Due to its popularity, the center is outgrowing its current space. The DRI/NY Forward would enable the Salmon River Arts Center to invest in a new space but allow it to remain a focal point in the downtown.

These planned projects complement efforts the village and other investors have undertaken in recent years to encourage the restoration of blighted buildings along its waterfront, repair and upgrade failing infrastructure, and promote itself as a waterfront and recreational attraction. Through its steadfast dedication to revitalization and investment in infrastructure, the village has attracted new businesses and helped to improve the quality of life for the community. The DRI/NY Forward would greatly enhance the revitalization work this riverside community has already begun. In fact, through the DRI process, new partnerships with developers have emerged to accelerate the growth of the village and surrounding area, which will lead to additional job opportunities and attract more visitors and residents to the village.

Awarding the Village of Pulaski a DRI/NY Forward grant would help the village become more of a vibrant, riverside community and I fully support the application. If I may be of any assistance moving forward, please do not hesitate to contact me.

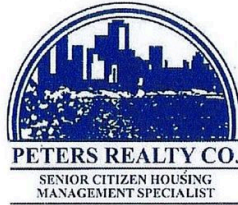
Very truly yours,



Will Barclay
Assembly Majority Leader

WAB/bj

Patricia A. Ford, AHM
Licensed Real Estate Broker



Kristen Hundshamer, ARM
Licensed Real Estate Broker

September 25, 2023

Jan Tighe, Mayor
Village of Pulaski
4917 Jefferson Street
Pulaski, NY 13142

Dear Ms. Tighe,

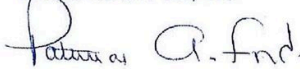
Springbrook Apartments, Inc. is an 8 story senior apartment building, located at 4920 Jefferson Street, Pulaski. Springbrook is home to approximately 130 senior residents occupying 119 apartments. There is a pre-requisite that you must be at least 62 years old to live at Springbrook. We, Peters Realty Co., Inc. have been managing the building for 48 of its 50 year existence.

Our residents, all senior would benefit greatly with the addition of a new sidewalk. The sidewalk would connect the back of our parking lot with the medical center making visits to the doctors easy for those in electric wheelchairs and those able to walk. Also we have several veterans in the building and the addition of the sidewalk would also enable those veterans to easily get to the American Legion. Many of our residents do not own cars and have to rely on public transportation or the kindness of others to get them to the Pulaski Health Center.

Anything that can be done to make the life of our tenants and all seniors easier is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration

PETERS REALTY CO., INC.


Patricia A. Ford
Owner



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

October 14, 2024

Mr. Randy Wolken and Dr. Linda LeMura
Regional Co-Chairs
Central New York REDC
620 Erie Blvd. W.
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Syracuse, NY 13204

Re: Village of Pulaski, NY 2024 NY Forward/Downtown Revitalization Initiative Grant Application

Dear Mr. Wolken and Dr. LeMura,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write to express my support for the Village of Pulaski's application to the NY Forward (NYF) and Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) grant programs. Both the NYF and DRI programs aim to reinvigorate and transform the main streets and central business districts of various communities across New York State, and the Village of Pulaski is prepared to utilize this funding to further their goal of ensuring the community maintains its close-knit historic roots while acting as a destination for New Yorkers to live, work, and play.


The Village has completed or is in the process of completing several projects that have made the Village a contender for this grant. These include water main replacements, water meter installation, doubling the size of sewer pump stations and converting the treatment from chemical to ultraviolet at the WWTP, storm water mitigation project, restoration of the "arches" on the River Trail, improving a number of sidewalks and making the Village more walkable, establishing a Historical District, becoming a Tree City, with the help of the Tree Committee trees that have been planted, revising and updating zoning laws, being Certified a Pro-Housing Community, a Bronze level Climate Smart Community, and a Green Purchasing Community.

Being awarded a DRI/NY Forward grant would expedite future projects. Those would include upgrading and enhancing current parklands along the Salmon River, making the Village more walkable, improving signage and wayfinding. In addition, this grant would provide funding for current businesses to enhance their commercial properties, provide additional housing and support non-profits. It would also go a long way in reinvigorating the economy of Northern Oswego County, attracting new residents and commercial enterprises while supporting those that are already here.

The Village of Pulaski is a charming and community orientated village that is experiencing a renaissance like many in New York. This project is expected to bring more job creation, extended stays by visitors, and overall, more efficient and effective downtown for residents, business owners, and visitors alike.

Once again, I fully support the Village's grant application and commitment to improving the community.

Sincerely,


CLAUDIA TENNEY
Member of Congress

TOWN OF RICHLAND

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FAX 315-298-7348

October 7, 2024

Village of Pulaski
Attn: Mayor Jan Tighe
4917 Jefferson St.
Pulaski, NY 13142

Dear Mayor Tighe,

On behalf of the Richland Town Board, I would like to commend you and your board for your commitment, concerns and the support in applying for "DRI/NY" Forward Grant for the Village of Pulaski, NY.

The Village of Pulaski and surrounding community residents appreciate the lifestyle they have chosen. A small "old world" style of life and community has so much to offer its families and relevant citizens. The Village of Pulaski has been persistent for more than 30 years, in making "Revitalization" of this village a primary goal throughout those years. In the not-too-distant past, the Village of Pulaski has doubled in size relation to their infrastructure such as sewer pump stations, converting the sewage treatment center from chemical to ultraviolet at the Waste Water Treatment Plant, a storm center mitigation project, the restoration of the "historic arches" on the current river trail and the sidewalk improvements to make the village accessible to everyone by making this a "walkable community".

In the past, your initiatives have seen many projects come to fruition within the village community. For many of the past years, the increase in transient residents have increased dramatically. Now, we have a substantial Historic District; new playground and recreational facilities for both permanent and transient residents; electric car charging stations and enhance current parklands along the Salmon River.

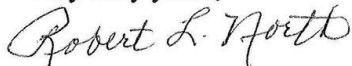
By applying for the "DRI/NY" grant, it will entice growth to Pulaski by creating additional housing and create additional business growth as well.

A DRI/NY grant would increase the revitalization of the entire economy in the northern part of Oswego County.

With new manufacturing scheduled soon in the neighboring county (Onondaga) plants, such as "MICRON", will need more residential communities.

It is without any reservation whatsoever; we support your initiative in the application of a "DRI/NY" grant. Wishing for the best, we remain.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert L. North".

Robert North
Town Supervisor
Town of Richland

Ms. Dawn Holynski
308 Valley Rd.
Pulaski, NY 13142
315.298.4881

To Whom It May Concern:

As chairperson of the Village of Pulaski/Town of Richland Comprehensive Plan and Climate Smart Community, I support the Village's request for the next round of DRI/NY Forward grants. It is a vision in the Comp Plan to accomplish many of the goals our community residents have requested. Some goals have been done, and many need to be done. With mayor Tighe's request of obtaining these grants, more of these goals will get done.

Mayor Tighe continues to seek ways of making the Village safer and stronger for her constituents. Examples of her due diligence to make Pulaski a better and safer place is the continued work on water main replacements, meter installation, increasing the size of sewer pump stations, converting the treatment from chemical to ultraviolet at the wastewater treatment plant, and a stormwater mitigation project.

Other projects enhancing the Village in the best possible way is obtaining Historical District and Tree City certifications. The Village boards continue to update zoning laws, they have become a Pro-Housing Community and attaining bronze-level Climate Smart Community status, also being recognized as a Green Purchasing Community.

As you can see, the Village has accomplished much. The progress will continue with grants for future projects that include upgrades to current parklands along the Salmon River, not only for residents but the thousands of tourists who visit. We envision the additional parking needs, bathroom facilities, car charging units, playgrounds and recreational facilities. The grant would support the Village with safer walkways/sidewalks, additional signage and wayfinding.

These grants will revitalize the economy in northern Oswego County. They will attract new residents and commercial business to help support the ones already here. Our county is very close to Onondaga County, and I speculate with the additional Micron facility, success could reach into our area, especially with the help of these types of grants available.

Sincerely,



Dawn Holynski



Tim Stahl
Director

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October 7, 2024

Mr. Dan Kolinski
Regional Director – Empire State Development
625 Erie Boulevard West
Syracuse, New York 13204

RE: Village of Pulaski 2024 Downtown Revitalization Initiative/NY Forward Application

Dear Mr. Kolinski:

The purpose of this letter is to express support for the Village of Pulaski's application to the CNY Regional Economic Development Council for the 2024 Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI)/NY Forward program. Pulaski is the economic hub of Northern Oswego County with a very desirable location. It is conveniently located at the crossroads of state routes 11 and 13 and Interstate 81. The well-renowned Salmon River runs through the heart of the village and Pulaski is just 4 miles from Lake Ontario.

The Village has made a concerted effort to bring its infrastructure up to date, with water and sewer projects, becoming a Tree City, a certified Pro-Housing Community and a Bronze level Climate Smart Community. The Village is well prepared for additional investments and growth.

In recent years, the Village has pursued funding and worked with developers and property owners to restore buildings in its Historic District and along the banks of the Salmon River. A DRI/NY Forward Grant award would accelerate the investment and revitalization of Pulaski. The Village has done the groundwork and laid a foundation for the enhanced investment the DRI/NY Forward grant would bring to the Village of Pulaski, improving the quality of life of the residents and attracting more businesses, leading to additional investment, and additional job opportunities.

In summary, I fully support the Village Pulaski's DRI/NY Forward application. Not only would the Village of Pulaski, a disadvantaged community, be the beneficiary, but all Northern Oswego County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Stahl".

Tim Stahl
Director – Community Development, Tourism, & Planning



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www.connexxtcare.org

Mayor Jan Tighe
Village of Pulaski
4917 Jefferson Street
PO Box 227
Pulaski, New York 13142

September 27, 2024

Dear Ms. Tighe:

ConnexxtCare is pleased to support the Village of Pulaski's grant application for Downtown Revitalization initiative (DRI)/NY Forward Program funding, both aimed at upgrading the Village's infrastructure.

The Village of Pulaski, which is the economic hub of Northern Oswego County and surrounding regions, is well positioned for additional investment. Pulaski is centrally located, being near major highways, (I-81, Rt. 11 and 13), railroad connections, near Lake Ontario, with the Salmon River winding through the heart of the Village.

ConnexxtCare is a Federally Qualified Health Center, with its main/largest health center located in the Village of Pulaski. ConnexxtCare operates seven health centers, and nine school-based health centers located in Oswego County. The health centers are family-oriented health care practices who provide Oswego, Northern Onondaga and Southern Jefferson County residents with a variety of comprehensive health care and related services, including medical, dental and behavioral health.

ConnexxtCare's Pulaski location offers primary care, dental and mental health services, including counseling and psychiatry as well as houses specialty services including lab and radiology, physical therapy, psychiatry and podiatry. Each week to the ConnexxtCare office alone, roughly 2,000 patients travel down 61 Delano Street for services. Due to the close proximity to two subsidized housing facilities, a 120 unit senior housing high-rise and a 54 unit apartment complex, and the lack of public transportation, several patients walk to the health care to receive care as the distance between these locations is less than a mile.

There is an urgent need for a safe walkable pedestrian corridor that would extend to the ConnexxtCare Pulaski location. The addition of these sidewalks around the Village, will complement the investment ConnexxtCare has already made in the establishment of a walking trail around its facility to promote greater mental health and wellness among our community.

Say hello to healthy

The Village has a strong track record for completing projects. Several buildings, including the Kallet Theater, have been the recipient of Main Street Grants, and used grant dollars to successfully return to their former usefulness. A DRI award would build on past successes, develop new partnerships to help accelerate the economic growth of the Village and surrounding area, lead to additional job opportunities and attract more visitors and residents to the Village.

ConnexCare strongly supports Village of Pulaski's application for DRI and New York Forward funding. We look forward to collaborating with the Village of Pulaski to support the completion of initiatives supported through these funding sources. We wish you every success in your application and look forward to a continued collaborative working relationship.

Sincerely,



Tricia Peter Clark
President and CEO

Say hello to healthy



October 10, 2024

Mayor Jan Tighe
Village of Pulaski
4917 Jefferson Street
Pulaski, New York 13142

Re: Village of Pulaski 2024 DRI / NY Forward Grant Application

Dear Mayor Tighe:

The purpose of this letter is to express my support for the Village of Pulaski's application for the 2024 DRI / NY Forward Grant application.

In recent years, the village has worked in partnership with local preservation groups, investors and various grant agencies, including New York State, to: restore buildings along its Main Street and within its historic district; preserve historic structures; repair and upgrade infrastructure; create sustainable contemporary mixed use spaces; renovate and expand its local healthcare and emergency response facilities; revitalize its downtown area which, in turn, has attracted new businesses; and, promote itself as a world-class waterfront and recreational attraction. There has been a consistent and unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for village residents and visitors.

The Village of Pulaski has undergone a significant and noticeable transformation over the past several years as a result of the aforementioned partnerships. Great strides have been made toward the economic, physical, and social revitalization of this area. We are proud of what has been accomplished to date. And yet, we have only scratched the surface of what "can be" and what needs to be done.

Our vision of what "can be" is clear - the Village of Pulaski as a bustling, water-front community that provides high-quality housing, education and healthcare services for its residents; career building employment opportunities at an array of local businesses and service organizations; world-class recreation, entertainment and eateries; and, most importantly, a place that New Yorkers are proud to call "home"- a place they choose to stay and build a life and a future for themselves and their families. The Village of Pulaski has the location, leadership, key partnerships, and the passion to bring to fruition our vision with the awarding of the DRI/NY Forward funding. Receipt of an award of this magnitude will allow the Village to continue to work toward the vision of what "can be."

As a local small business owner and PROP (Preservation, Revitalization of Pulaski) committee member, I fully support the Village of Pulaski's application for the 2024 DRI / NY Forward Grant.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Finnerty
Owner
Vie La Belle/Life Is Good



PULASKI ACADEMY & CENTRAL SCHOOLS

TOM JENNINGS • SUPERINTENDENT

September 27, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

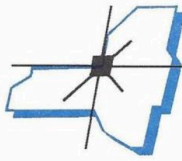
Please accept this letter of support for the Village of Pulaski's application for funding through the DRI/NYForward Grant Program which would include improvements to parklands along the Salmon River, and various other improvements. The Village of Pulaski has a strong record of thoughtful planning and implementation of infrastructure and other improvement projects that benefit the local community, our students and families, and the broader region.

Multiple partnerships with local and regional entities, including the Pulaski Academy & Central School District, has expanded the positive impact of each of the previous grant projects undertaken by the Village of Pulaski.

We enthusiastically support the Village of Pulaski's application for this funding and look forward to future collaborations.

Sincerely,

Tom Jennings, Superintendent



July 25, 2024

Mayor Jan Tighe
Village of Pulaski
4917 Jefferson St.
Pulaski, NY 13142

RE: HCR- Community Development Block Grant for Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities

Dear Mayor Tighe,

The County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (IDA) is a public benefit corporation created by New York State and the Oswego County legislature. The IDA's mission is to create and retain jobs through economic development financing. The IDA has been serving Oswego County since 1976. In this capacity, we fully recognize and support the Village of Pulaski to request funding for an engineering and planning study for an empty lot owned by the Village of Pulaski, located on the edge of the Historical/Commercial District.

The Vital role of public infrastructure and facilities cannot be overemphasized. The lack of parking has been a significant issue when trying to attract residents and visitors to the stores and businesses within the commercial area of the Historic District. Furthermore, the property's proximity to the Salmon River places it in a strategically advantageous position that could significantly impact the economic development and tourism potential of the area.

Given the pressing need for improved public infrastructure and facilities within the Historical/Commercial District, this project aligns with the broader community and economic development goals of the Village of Pulaski. As a certified Pro-Housing Community, the Village is committed to creating an environment conducive to growth and community prosperity. Additionally, the potential benefits of this project extend beyond the local community, as it could positively impact visitors and seasonal events, such as accommodating hundreds of fishermen during the annual Salmon season.

The successful implementation of this project will undoubtedly contribute to the enhancement of the overall community experience, stimulate economic activity, and fortify the infrastructure necessary for sustained growth and prosperity. The County of Oswego IDA strongly endorses and supports the Village of Pulaski's grant application.

Sincerely,

County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency

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July 25, 2024

Mayor Jan Tighe
Village of Pulaski
4917 Jefferson St.
Pulaski, NY 13142

**RE: Village of Pulaski – Community Development Block Grant for
Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities**

Dear Mayor Tighe,

Operation Oswego County, Inc, expresses our support for the Village of Pulaski's pursuit of the New York State Homes and Community Renewal's Community Development Block Grant for Public Infrastructure and Public Facilities. The Village of Pulaski intends to utilize the grant for conducting an engineering and planning study on an undeveloped lot within the Historical/Commercial District that is owned by the Village.

The Village of Pulaski is positioned with the Salmon River flowing through it. Every fall, the village attracts hundreds of fishermen who visit for the annual Salmon season in which availability of parking is inadequate. Additionally, there is a lack of parking to attract residents and visitors to the stores and businesses in the commercial area of the Historic District. The property's proximity to the Salmon River places it in a strategically advantageous position that could significantly impact the economic development and tourism potential of the area.

This proposed project is in line with the Village of Pulaski's goals for community and economic advancement. The Village, a certified Pro-Housing Community is dedicated to cultivating a supportive environment for growth and communal prosperity. The benefits of this project go beyond the immediate locality, bringing a positive impact on seasonal events.

Operation Oswego County strongly endorses and supports this funding application. The Village of Pulaski project has the potential to act as a catalyst for strategic investments, ultimately bolstering the economic and community development within the Village of Pulaski and stimulating additional investment within the Central New York region.

Sincerely,

Operation Oswego County

Austin M. Wheelock, CECD
Executive Director



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October 18, 2024

Honorable Jan Tighe
Mayor
Village of Pulaski
North Jefferson Street
Pulaski, NY 13142

RE: DRI/NY Forward Grant Program Application for the Village of Pulaski

Dear Mayor,

I am writing in support of your application submitted by the Village of Pulaski, New York, for funding through the DRI/NY Forward Grant Program.

Located on the Salmon River in Central New York, Pulaski has become known nationwide as the Salmon Capital of New York State. Presidents, Congressmen, dignitaries from far and wide have visited Pulaski and experienced trophy fishing. Along with all the VIP's of course are the real economic contributors, the tourism and the fishing enthusiasts.

Like many small American communities that have struggled with the loss of economic opportunities through manufacturing job losses, Pulaski developed an industry centered on its natural resources by teaming with State and County Agencies. The fishing industry has blossomed and has directly led to economic growth in supporting and developing businesses.

This growth, while bolstering business and residential stability, hasn't provided the meaningful revenue to support, maintain, and develop the stressed Village of Pulaski's infrastructure.

The Villages' previous applications highlight the plans created to continue to build on the important infrastructures needed to enhance what you have built on. Water mains, sewer improvements, sidewalks, building restoration, business development, and housing support, are worthy of consideration for approval in this year's DRI/NY Forward Grant Program.

You and your Board have worked diligently and have done an excellent job preparing your application devised from your insights and The Villages Comprehensive Plan.

If awarded, this grant will impact thousands of individuals such as our businesses, local citizens, our neighboring communities that benefit from the influx of visitors, our tourists, and our fisherman. This will help stabilize a village and town that has worked extremely hard to develop and save our community.

Please share my concerns with your application and call me if there is a point in the application process whereas you feel I could be of assistance.

Let's hope Pulaski is given serious consideration in being granted funding from this program.

Very sincerely,

Edward Gilson, District 3
Oswego County Legislature



September 26, 2024

Daniel Kolinski, CNY Regional Director

Empire State Development
620 Erie Blvd. West, Suite 112
Syracuse, NY 13204

RE: Village of Pulaski: Round 8 - Downtown Revitalization Initiative/Round 2 of the NY Forward Program Applications - Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Kolinski,

Blue Line Engineering has been working with the Village on a major capital wastewater infrastructure improvement project since June 2018. This project began in the planning phase with the preparation of an Engineering Report funded by a NYSEFC Engineering Planning Grant which the Village obtained. The Village was successful in securing a loan from NYSEFC and a Water Infrastructure Improvement Act grant to help offset costs for the users of the sewer system. Currently this project is in the construction phase and is anticipated to be complete in late fall of 2024.

I have personally been involved since the inception of this project and the Village has never lost sight of completing this critical infrastructure project.

On behalf of Blue Line Engineering, I offer my full support for the Village's Round 8 of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative/Round 2 of the NY Forward Program application requesting funds to capitalize and improve upon their parks, streetscapes, additional parking, and capital improvements featuring hospitality venues and non-profit projects.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me via email (jtubolino@bledpc.com) or my mobile phone (518-928-7692).

Sincerely,
BLUE LINE ENGINEERING, DPC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Tubolino".

Jeffrey J. Tubolino, PE
President

200 Washington Street, Suite 403, Watertown, New York 13601
518-928-7692

10 Lincoln Avenue
Pulaski, NY 13142
September 22, 2023

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative for the village of Pulaski, New York.

As a private citizen hailing from the village of Waterloo, New York, I can personally attest to the significance of preserving historic buildings. I was the librarian there from 1977-1984 and I proudly boast of Waterloo being the birthplace of Memorial Day. Every year a viable committee executes plans for an elaborate celebration. The holiday is always celebrated on May 30 regardless of whether it falls on the legal holiday. Waterloo also has Terwilliger Museum which is annexed to the library where I worked. Four miles east of Waterloo is Seneca Falls, which is recognized as the birthplace of the Women's Rights movement and also has museums to storehouse information about that. Seneca Falls is also known as the brainchild of the "It's a Wonderful Life" bridge used in the classic movie of the same name. Also nearby is Auburn where one can find the homestead of abolitionist Harriet Tubman and the final resting place of William Seward, former governor of our state as well as a negotiator to purchase the Alaska territory for the United States. So, there is a lot to be proud of in my hometown and its surroundings.

Flash forward to 2018. I was invited by retired physical education teacher and coach Pauline Rossman to be a member of the Pulaski Historical Society board of trustees. This is something I have totally immersed myself in since my retirement as a school librarian for the Pulaski Academy school district. I edit the Society's monthly newsletter and handle publicity of society events. I also field questions regarding research into matters relating to the history of Pulaski. This work has been very satisfying for me. We recently renovated the museum thanks to a

bequest from a former resident and will show it off in an Open House when we are completely finished returning our treasures to their proper home. Incidentally the museum was the former home of John Ben Snow, former Woolworth's (department store) employee and philanthropist. Through his fund many students in our school district have earned scholarships to the college of their choice and have received community service opportunities in the village. Our village office building is, indeed, named after him because of his philanthropic support.

So, these factors individually and together lead me to support the Downtown Revitalization Initiative. I want my present (and future) hometown to be restored to its former glory as perceived by the members of the committee.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth S. Woods

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SENATOR MARK C. WALCZYK
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October 10, 2024

Mr. Dan Kolinski
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Dear Mr. Kolinski,

The Village of Pulaski has continuously worked on projects to establish long-term community goals. Recent milestones have been achieved, including designation of a Historical District, Tree City Certificates, updating zoning laws, becoming a Pro-Housing Community, and being recognized as a Green Purchasing Community. Therefore, the Village of Pulaski is applying for the DRI/ NY Forward grant to accelerate revitalizations for their community.

In an effort to build upon these achievements, the Village of Pulaski is seeking DRI/NY Forward funding to compliment the work done thus far to accelerate community revitalization. If secured, the Village of Pulaski would be able to expedite future projects for continued resurgence. These projects range from water main replacements, doubling the size of sewer pump stations, a stormwater mitigation project and making improvements for sidewalk repairs to make the Village more walkable.

Additionally, this funding will allow current businesses to not only enhance their commercial properties but create additional housing and support non-profits in this rural community. This investment will continue to keep Pulaski a great place to love, work and raise a family for years to come.

I support the Village of Pulaski's efforts to secure DRI/NY Forward funding. If you have any questions, please reach out at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael L. Schenk".

Michael L. Schenk
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October 11, 2024

Jan Tighe, Mayor
Village of Pulaski
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Dear Mayor Tighe:

As Executive Director of the Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board, I am pleased to have this opportunity to write this letter of support for the Village of Pulaski's application for funding through the State's Downtown Revitalization and NY Forward programs.

As noted in the application, Pulaski is the economic hub of northern Oswego County and well positioned for additional investment in the community. These investments will build on a track record of success the community has achieved in recent years in completing a range of community revitalization, historic preservation, and strategically planned infrastructure projects. Based on this success, the community is well positioned to move forward with the next phase of its revitalization. This latest DRI/NY Forward initiative includes efforts to upgrade and enhance parklands along the Salmon River along with the provision of improved restroom facilities, EV charging stations, playground and recreation facilities in the community. Complementing these projects will be efforts to make the community more walkable, improve signage and wayfinding, support small businesses and enhance commercial property, and create additional housing.

Please note that my office is ready to assist the Village of Pulaski to help implement its Downtown Revitalization Initiative and NY Forward program. Taken together, these projects will support efforts to revitalize the community and enhance local efforts to position Pulaski as an engine for economic growth in Oswego County and for Central New York.

Sincerely,
David
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David V. Bottar
Executive Director

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October 7, 202

To: Mayor Jan Tighe, Village of Pulaski, NY

Re: Letter of Support: Village Improvement Grant

After 30 plus years in the US Army and having lived in over 100 different locations, including nine states. My wife Jame and I chose the Village of Pulaski, NY!

We built a home here four years ago in a delightful neighborhood. Besides friendships and daily interactions, we feel secure here. That was not the situation in the other places we lived stateside.

The outdoors is important to both of us and there is no place more beautiful than fall here! I particularly enjoy the Salmon River, an obvious "World Class Fishery." Besides the variety of fishing for Trout, Salmon, and Bass, it supports my hobbies, fly tying and rod building. Having established working relationships with local fishing guides, we have been able to bring in numerous Wounded Warriors, Healing Waters Veterans and young 10th Mountain Division Soldiers from Fort Drum, NY to fish here. Just last Sunday I had two young Non-Commissioned Officers here for Salmon Fishing and they put seven King Salmon in the net!

I have been able to serve on three village committees and give back something to the Village, I especially enjoy the Tree Committee, besides learning and the comradery it is gratifying to see the improvements trees bring to a neighborhood.

Respectfully,

David O. Rockwell



American Legion
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14 October 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

On 14 October 2024, at a regular meeting of the American Legion, Robert Edwards Post 358, under New Business, the membership was informed that the village of Pulaski would be applying for the DRI/NY Forward grant by Commander David Walker.

Commander Walker went on and explain the DRI to the membership and how it would assist the Village of Pulaski. The commander discussed the track record of the village completing past projects.

After the discussion a motion was made by John Rastley, that the membership should support the Village of Pulaski in obtaining the DRI/NY Forward grant. This motion was seconded by Carl Steele, Sergeant-At-Arms and was approved by the membership.

Respectfully,

David Walker
Commander