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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Net Migration from NYC to Greene County Expands



A new report from the Center for Economic Growth details the population migration from New York City to Greene County since 2020. The number of federal tax returns filed from people moving from Brooklyn, Manhattan and Queens to Columbia and Greene Counties increased by 159.3% from 2019 to 2020. New Greene County residents moving from these three boroughs totaled over 600, according to this report. <https://www.ceg.org/articles/movers-from-nycs-biggest-boroughs-brought-91-more-income-to-the-capital-region/>

New Course Offerings at C-GCC



Columbia-Greene Community College has developed a program of cannabis-related courses to keep up with changes brought about by the legalization of cannabis in New York State and tremendous projections for new jobs and industry growth. The college this fall will begin offering two programs that specialize in distinct areas of training, one in business and the other in science. NYS will provide \$5 million to support the courses offered at 4 SUNY Community Colleges. Schenectady County CC is serving as lead campus in the cannabis course program for three regional colleges: C-GCC, Adirondack CC and Fulton-Montgomery CC. <https://www.sunycgcc.edu/cannabis-microcredential-programs/>

DRI Process



NY Forward Process



NYS Funding for Rural Communities

NYS is providing \$200 million in funding for two major downtown revitalization initiatives: NY Forward, a new program aimed at rejuvenating smaller and rural communities, and Round 6 of the state's successful Downtown Revitalization Initiative. A brochure on both programs can be downloaded at https://www.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2022-07/DRI_NYF_Brochure_Final.pdf

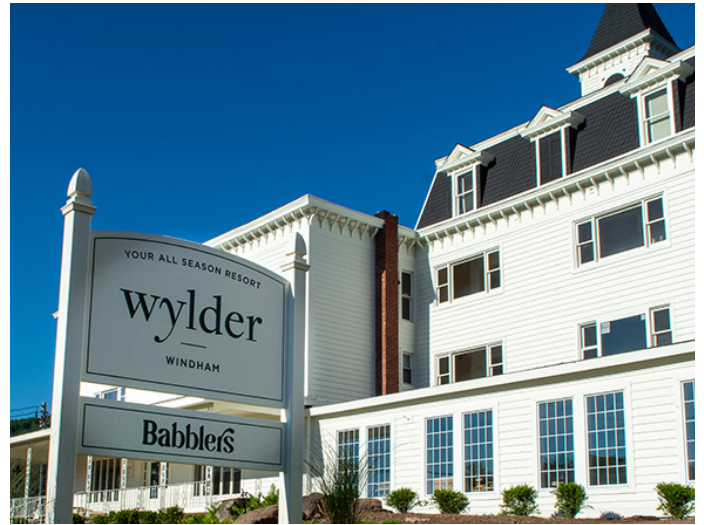
TOURISM

Solaris to Embark at the Historic Catskill Point



Solaris is the Hudson River Maritime Museum's 100% solar-powered tour boat and floating classroom. She was built by the museum's restoration crew on-site at the museum's Wooden Boat School. Solaris is the only solar-powered boat in operation on the Hudson River and does not require fossil fuels to operate. It will be arriving at the Historic Catskill Point on August 15th and offering tours to the public at 6pm and 7:30pm. Join Greene County Historian Jonathon Palmer for a maritime history cruise on the Hudson River. Purchase your tickets here: <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/riverwise-north-catskill>

Wylder Windham Opens for Visitors



Greene County's newest boutique hotel open its doors for a soft opening on July 13th. Formerly known as the Thompson House owned by the Goettsche family for over 6 generations, the hotel has undergone a 20 million dollar renovation offering 110 rooms, oversized outdoor heated pool, sauna, pickle ball, Babbler's Restaurant & Bakery, and 4,000 square feet of special event and wedding space. Visit this newly designed property here: <https://wylderhotels.com/windham/>



Tourism Fills in East Durham

Greene County Tourism partnered with Famous Destination to film the businesses in East Durham and Oak Hill. The shoot, which took place in July, captured what a visitor can experience when vacationing in East Durham. "It was two great days of filming businesses that were helpful, welcoming, and very generous with their time," stated Heather Bagshaw, Tourism Director.

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