



Environmental Protection Fund Investments in **Rockland County** Enhancing Our Economy and Protecting Clean Drinking Water

The Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) has provided more than \$1 billion since 1993 to support critical programs that protect our area's natural resources, public health, and local industries including tourism. Our local economy and good quality jobs have been enhanced and supported thanks to the EPF, which has pumped **over \$18 million into our local economy**. Below are a few examples of how the EPF has paid off for Rockland County:

- ✓ More than **\$8 million** has been invested in municipal recycling and hazardous waste disposal programs in the villages of Clarkstown, Piermont, Nyack and throughout Rockland County. Residents enjoy unparalleled access to facilities and programs that earn money for our communities, lower our taxes and help make the county nationally recognized for its environmental initiatives.
- ✓ A **\$1 million** has been invested in developing parks and expanding Rockland County's recreational opportunities from restoration of playgrounds, tennis and basketball courts in Nyack to acquisition and planning of new county and town parks in Ramapo, Suffern, Haverstraw.
- ✓ Provided over **\$2.6 million** toward waterfront revitalization and water quality in Clarkstown, Haverstraw (Town and Village), Orangetown, Ramapo, Stony Point, Chestnut Ridge, Montecello, Nyack, Pomona, Village South Nyack, Suffern, Upper Nyack, West Haverstraw, Piermont and Wesley Hills.
- ✓ Nearly **\$1 million** toward in Piermont, Orangetown and Ramapo and assisting other Rockland county municipalities with funding mandated programs.



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- ✓ **\$1.7 million** has been provided to assist Rockland County with properly closing an old, inactive landfill and preventing groundwater pollution in residential drinking water.
- ✓ Almost **\$1.5 million** has been deployed in Clarkstown to protect the Hudson River, improve public access and provide a dynamic experience for Rockland County residents and visitors.
- ✓ An additional **\$1.2 million** has protected one of Rockland County's premier tourist attractions, Bear Mountain State Park, supporting our county's \$3.4 million annual income of tourism dollars. Year-round attractions include an ice-skating rink, swimming pool, picnic groves, rowboat docks on Hessian Lake, Trailside Museums and Zoo, Iona Island Estuarine Reserve and Bird Refuge, and nature trails that contain key segments of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail and the Long Path.

By supporting the EPF you can help ensure continued funding for these important programs in your district, and protect what we love most about Rockland County.

EPF Projects in Rockland County

Below is a list of EPF programs and investments that have enhanced Rockland County's economy and natural resources.

EPF Program	# of projects	Project Locations	Spending in Rockland Co. since 1993
Environmental Investment Program	3	Rockland County	\$189,000
Environmental Protection & Enhancement	1	Clarkstown: Restoration of Lake Lucille	\$1,000,000
Household Hazardous Waste	8	Thiels, Tompkins Cove, Rockland County, Bear Mountain, Orangetown, Piermont	\$3,681,256
Hudson River Estuary Program Grants	11	Stony Point	\$329,788
Invasive Species	1	Town of Haverstraw	\$37,500
Landfill Closure	2	Clarkstown, Haverstraw (Town and Village), Orangetown, Ramapo, Stony Point, Chestnut Ridge, Montecello, Nyack, Pomona, Village South Nyack, Suffern, Upper Nyack, West Haverstraw, Piermont, Wesley Hills	\$1,771,594
Municipal Parks	6	Rockland County, Ramapo, Suffern, Haverstraw, Nyack	\$1,093,820
Municipal Recycling	11	Rockland County, Clarkstown, Piermont, Nyack,	\$5,149,941
Nonpoint Source Pollution Control (Agricultural and Municipal assistance)	6	Piermont, Orangetown, Rockland County, Ramapo	\$943,500
Hudson River Quadricentennial	1	Rockland County	\$45,000
Soil and Water Conservation	3	Rockland County	\$61,876
Stewardship (Land Management)	3	Bear Mountain	\$1,176,000
Waterfront Revitalization	8	Haverstraw, Nyack	\$2,220,000
Water Quality Improvement Program	1	Rockland County	\$411,000
Total	65		\$18,110,275

***This list is based on the best information available at this time and is not exhaustive.*