



Environmental Protection Fund Investments in Putnam 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 **more than \$10 million into our local economy**. Below are a few examples of how the EPF has paid off for Putnam County:



Photo: Scenic Hudson

✓ **\$1.3 million** to preserve working landscapes—protecting 291 acres of farmland that contribute to the county's \$2.4-million agricultural economy; developing new trails at Fahnestock State Park and making improvements to the county's portion of the Appalachian Trail—both prime tourist attractions.

✓ Over **\$3 million** for sustainable forest management, recreation and safeguarding watersheds in Kent, Philipstown and Paterson. The EPF helped expand protection of the Great Swamp (one of NY's largest freshwater wetlands and an important drinking-water source), create 1,000-acre California Hill State Forest in the Hudson Highlands and conserve land within the Clove Creek watershed.

- ✓ Nearly **\$500,000** has been invested in local businesses and industrial development in our county.
- ✓ Over **\$3 million** to help Carmel and Southeast properly close inactive landfills and protect water quality.
- ✓ Over **\$1 million** to revitalize waterfronts and improve water quality in Cold Spring, Garrison and Philipstown—supporting the county's \$59-million tourism industry that sustains 1,300 jobs.
- ✓ Nearly half a **\$1 million** has been deployed to protect the Hudson River, improve public access and provide educational programs.
- ✓ **\$1 million** to preserve unique natural resources and important historic sites, including West Point Foundry Preserve in Cold Spring and Manitoga in Garrison—Putnam County's only National Historic Landmark.



Photo: Haldane High School

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

EPF Projects in Putnam County

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

EPF Program	# of projects	Project Locations	Spending in Putnam Co. since 1993
Conservation Partnership Program	10	Putnam County, Philipsburg, Cold Spring, Brewster, Garrison, Dover, Philipstown	\$101,200
Environmental Investment Program	1	Carmel	\$47,959
Historic Barn Preservation	1	Paterson	\$24,000
Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	6	Putnam County	\$287,706
Hudson River Estuary Program Grants	16	Cold Spring, Constitution Marsh, Putnam County, Kent, Town of Putnam Valley, Garrison	\$278,307
Invasive Species Removal	1	Paterson	\$8,000
Landfill Closure & Gas	5	Putnam County, Carmel and Southeast	\$3,160,094
Water Quality Improvement	3	Carmel, Town of Putnam Valley	\$244,720
Municipal Parks	3	Town of Kent, Philipstown, Town of Paterson	\$403,109
Nonpoint Source Pollution Control (Agricultural and Municipal Assistance)	9	Town of Kent, Philipstown, Putnam County, Paterson. Town of Putnam Valley,	\$160,000
Open Space and Farmland Protection	3	Town of Kent, Philipsburg, Town of Paterson	\$5,328,547
Hudson River Quadricentennial	1	Putnam County	\$45,000
Quality Communities/Smart Growth/Urban Planning	1	Putnam County	\$160,000
Soil and Water Conservation	3	Putnam County	\$61,876
Stewardship (Land management)	1	Garrison	\$200,000
Urban & Community Forestry	2	Philipstown, Cold Spring	\$6,107
Waterfront Revitalization	1	Cold Spring	\$50,000
Zoos, Botanical Gardens and Aquaria	14	Brewster, Cold Spring, Garrison	\$231,471
Total	81		\$10,798,096

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