

## Environmental Protection Fund Investments in Westchester County Enhancing Our Economy and Protecting Our Open Spaces

**The Environmental Protection Fund (EPF)** has provided more than \$1 billion since 1993 to support critical programs that protect our clean water, open spaces and public health. Our local economy and good quality jobs have been enhanced and supported thanks to the EPF, which has pumped more than \$59 million into our local economy. Below are a few examples of how the EPF has paid off for Westchester County:

- Over \$1.9 million has been dedicated to protecting and improving the natural and scenic areas in communities near the Hudson River. Projects have improved public access, established plans for sustainable environmental management of the River, and created public education materials.
- ✓ More than \$6 million has been provided to support municipal recycling programs in 16 communities. This funding reduces taxpayer costs for Westchester's mandatory recycling program, which allowed 61% of solid waste to be recycled in 2009.



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✓ More than \$36 million from the EPF has been invested in protecting Westchester County's land and water. This funding has protected a family farm near Cortlandt, and ensured agriculture remains a strong sector of our local economy. Funding has also protected open space and parks in 25 Westchester communities, supporting economically important tourism and improving our quality of life.

- Provided over \$4 million for waterfront revitalization and water quality in the towns of Briarcliff Manor, Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Dobbs Ferry, Hastings-on-Hudson, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, New Rochelle, Ossining, Peekskill, Pelham, Port Chester, Sleepy Hollow and Tarrytown.
- ✓ An additional \$3 million has protected our museums, memorials and historic houses that draw tourists and represent our cultural history, including the rehabilitation of Wildcliff Manor, the restoration of the Phillipsburg Manor Mill Pond and replacement of the stained glass windows at St. John's Church in Yonkers.

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

## **EPF Projects in Westchester County**

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

EPF Program	# of projects	Project Locations	EPF Spending in Westchester County Since 1993
Conservation Partnership Program	13	North Salem, Somers, Bedford, Pound Ridge, Ossining, Bedford Hills	\$121,450
Environmental Investment Program	1	Peekskill	\$345,550
Hudson River Estuary Program	58	Buchanan, Peekskill, Cortlandt, Yonkers, Hastings-on- Hudson, Irvington, Tarrytown, North Salem, Ossining, Briarcliff Manor, Dobbs Ferry, Westchester County, Yorktown, Croton-on-Hudson, Pleasantville, Bedford	\$1,951,928
Historic Preservation	27	Tarrytown, Yonkers, New Rochelle, Peekskill, Cortlandt, Dobbs Ferry, Mount Vernon, Port Chester, Rye, Washington, Bedford Hills, Katonah, Sleepy Hollow, White Plains, Greenburgh, Mount Pleasant	\$3,301,233
Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	5	Westchester County	\$639,841
Landfill Closure & Gas	3	Westchester County	\$1,684,819
Municipal Parks	27	Larchmont, Rye, Rye Brook, Sleepy Hollow, Yonkers, Croton-on-Hudson, Mamaroneck, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Peekskill, Cortlandt Manor, Ossining, North Salem, Tarrytown, New Castle, White Plains, Westchester County, Katonah	\$4,738,931
Municipal Recycling	31	Briarcliff Manor, Croton-on-Hudson, Eastchester, Irvington, Lewisboro, Mount Kisco, New Rochelle, North Castle, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Port Chester, Rye, Sleepy Hollow, Westchester County, Yonkers, Yorktown	\$6,312,028
Nonpoint Source Pollution Control (Agricultural and Municipal Assistance)	21	Buchanan, Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Mamaroneck, Mount Kisco, New Rochelle, North Salem, Ossining, Pound Ridge, Scarsdale, Sleepy Hollow, Somers	\$2,490,075
Open Space and Farmland Protection	10	Westchester County, Yorktown, Cortlandt, Somers, Greenburgh, Mount Pleasant	\$30,953,548
Quadricentennial	3	Peekskill, County of Westchester, Yonkers	\$135,000
Quality Communities/Smart Growth/Urban Planning	3	Peekskill, Pelham, Sleepy Hollow	\$259,889
Soil and Water Conservation	3	Westchester County	\$61,465
Stewardship (Land Management)	5	Katonah, Cortlandt, Yorktown, Pocantico Hills, Mount Pleasant	\$755,779
Urban Community Forestry	2	Cortlandt, Yonkers	\$32,428
Waterfront Revitalization	35	Briarcliff Manor, Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Dobbs Ferry, hastings-on-Hudson, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, New Rochelle, Ossining, Peekskill, Pelham, Port Chester, Sleepy Hollow, Tarrytown	\$4,104,351
Zoos, Botanical Gardens and Aquaria	27	Katonah, Ossining, Scarsdale, South Salem, North Salem, Rye	\$569,955
Water Quality Improvement	3	Bedford, North Salem, Westchester County	\$579,000
Total	277		\$59,037,270

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