



## **Catskill DRI LPC Meeting #5**

## Welcome!

At today's LPC meeting, we will review updates to projects since our last LPC meeting and the Public Open House. You will have the opportunity to discuss public feedback, project updates, and any questions you would like answered before the final LPC vote on November 18.

## **Vision & Goals**

The following Catskill DRI vision and goals were established with input from community members:

### Vision

Drawing on its history as a crossroads of the Upper Hudson Valley, Catskill will be a vibrant, active community that provides opportunity for all. Catskill will be affordable and accessible to people and families of all income levels and backgrounds while retaining its small-village character, natural beauty, and culture of care, inclusion, and creativity.

## **Goal 1 - Housing Affordability**

Address the local affordability crisis by building new homes at a range of price points, including options affordable to those earning the village's median salary, and improving existing homes.

## Goal 2 – Downtown Assets

Invest in the unique assets of the downtown area, its businesses, and Catskill Creek to draw more residents and visitors.

## Goal 3 – Community Spaces

Expand and improve accessible, affordable community spaces that serve Catskill youth, families, and seniors.

## Goal 4 – Streetscapes and Mobility

Beautify streetscapes, improve wayfinding and accessible pedestrian infrastructure, and make it easier for residents and visitors to get around Catskill and age in place.





## **Project Discussion Questions**

- 1. Which projects would you like to discuss further?
- 2. Would it give you pause **to include any projects on a final slate?**
- 3. What **additional information** do you need to make a final decision?



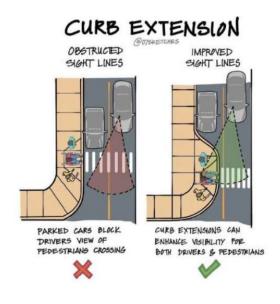


## **Project Descriptions**

# 1. Enhance the Village Streetscape Along Main Street and West Bridge Street

The Village proposes to make streetscape improvements on Main Street and West Bridge Street to improve visual cohesion, sustainability, and the overall pedestrian experience. The proposed improvements also include a public restroom, ADA accessibility crossings, and curb extensions for pedestrian safety.





Project Location: Main Street and West Bridge Street

**Project Sponsor:** Village of Catskill **Total Project Budget:** \$2,493,795

**DRI Funding Request:** \$2,468,795 (99% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: High

### **Project Description**

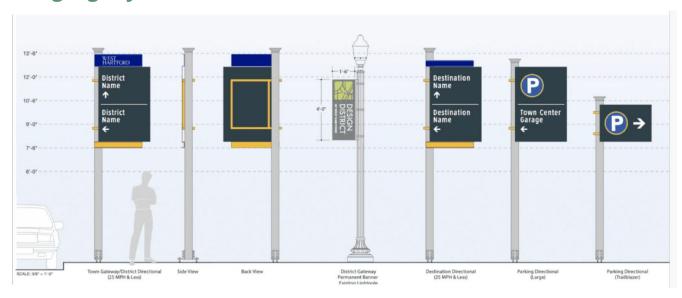
The project proposes **comprehensive improvements to Main Street and West Bridge Street**, the core pedestrian and vehicular corridors in the Catskill DRI area. Upgrades include continuous sidewalks, color-changing lighting, landscaping, stormwater management, and enhanced mobility features such as ADA-compliant crossings, curb extensions, and bicycle connectivity. Overall, these enhancements aim to beautify downtown, improve safety and functionality, and create inviting public spaces that strengthen the village's economic and cultural core.







# 2. Activate the Village of Catskill with a New Wayfinding and Signage System



The Village is proposing to design and construct a new wayfinding signage system to guide residents and businesses to the various amenities and destinations in downtown Catskill.

Project Location: Throughout the DRI area

Project Sponsor: Village of Catskill Total Project Budget: \$450,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$425,000 (94% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

The project will create a **coordinated network of directional, informational, and historical marker signs throughout the DRI area** to guide visitors and residents to businesses, cultural sites, parks, parking, and the waterfront. The project includes pedestrian- and vehicle-oriented signs, clear parking guidance, 16 historical markers, and interpretive sign panels, all of which will align with Catskill's existing branding and be produced with weather-resilient, ADA-compliant materials. By improving navigation and highlighting the village's cultural, historic, and recreational assets, the new wayfinding and signage system will support ongoing revitalization efforts by encouraging exploration, increasing foot traffic, and supporting downtown businesses.











## 3. Connect Ferry Service to Catskill by Installing a Gateway Boat Dock on Water Street



The Village is proposing to construct an ADA-compliant boat dock on Water Street near the County Lot to connect ferry services to downtown Catskill along Catskill Creek.

**Project Location:** Catskill Creek (Water St at the County Lot)

Project Sponsor: Village of Catskill Total Project Budget: \$290,625

**DRI Funding Request:** \$275,625 (95% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: High

### **Project Description**

The project will install a durable, ADA-compliant EZ Launch dock to **extend the Hudson Ferry Company passenger ferry service to downtown Catskill**. In Phase I, for which DRI funds are being requested, the project will focus on installing the ferry dock and introducing basic site improvements, such as landscaping, permanent seating, lighting, pedestrian pathways, and clear signage to create an inviting and accessible waterfront connector point. In Phase II, the Village will leverage non-DRI funds to add further site amenities (e.g., picnic tables, food truck pad), community programming, and placemaking elements to create an iconic waterfront destination. Service is expected to run between Catskill and Hudson and Athens, two nearby destinations that are already served by the Hudson Ferry Company. Integrated with the Village's proposed wayfinding and signage system, the project aims to enhance waterfront accessibility, improve the visitor experience, and strengthen downtown Catskill's economic and cultural offerings.







## 4. Develop an ADA-Accessible Small Craft Launch on West Main Street



The Village is proposing to construct an ADA-compliant kayak launch on the west side of Catskill Creek near Catskill High School.

Project Location: Catskill Creek (in front of the Catskill High School, West Main St)

Project Sponsor: Village of Catskill Total Project Budget: \$197,099

DRI Funding Request: \$182,099 (92% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

### **Project Description**

This project would establish an ADA-compliant EZ Launch system on the West side of Catskill Creek for kayaks, canoes, and similar crafts, featuring handrails, transfer benches, and a stable boarding platform designed for durability and minimal maintenance. In Phase I, for which DRI funds are being requested, the project will focus on installing the craft launch and introducing basic site improvements, such as landscaping, grading, accessible pathways, and wayfinding signage to create a safe and welcoming public space. Phase I will also bring parking enhancements that can better accommodate vehicles with trailers, personal cars, and ADA-accessible spaces as well as pedestrian connections that will connect the new craft launch to West Main Street and the village sidewalk network. In Phase II, the Village will leverage non-DRI funds to add further site amenities (e.g., benches, picnic tables, food truck pads) and community programming to create a waterfront destination. These improvements will aim to expand recreational access to the Catskill waterfront and enhance downtown connectivity.





## 5. Renovate the Historic Catskill Public Library





The historic Catskill Public Library's building renovation will create new reading rooms, expand programming, and modernize infrastructure at the library. This project will both restore underutilized space and create new interior and exterior spaces for new programming and improved user experience.

Project Location: Catskill Public Library (1 Franklin Street)

**Project Sponsor:** Catskill Public Library

Total Project Budget: \$2,843,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$1,468,000 (52% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** High

#### **Project Description**

The Catskill Public Library proposes to **renovate its historic structure to expand services**, **ensure full ADA accessibility**, **and modernize infrastructure to match 21st-century needs**. The Library is seeking DRI grants for Phase 2 of the renovation project, while Phase 1 will be covered by other funding sources. Phase 1 will add improved ADA accessibility, including the installation of an elevator for library staff and patrons. Phase 2 will introduce reconfigured program spaces for children and young adults, quiet study areas, upgraded reading and gathering rooms, a new office suite, an all-electric heating and cooling system, and lighting upgrades. Additionally, outdoor spaces will be activated through a new Sunken Garden and Linden Patio that are linked to downtown pedestrian routes. Together, these improvements will expand capacity, reduce emissions, and strengthen the library's role as a civic and cultural anchor for downtown Catskill.







# 6. Renovate 455 Main Street to Facilitate Expanded Services by the Mental Health Association of Greene County



455 Main Street houses the Mental Health Association of Greene County, including its youth clubhouse along with crisis services and supportive housing. The structure requires several improvements to continue serving these populations.

**Project Location:** 455 Main Street

**Project Sponsor:** Mental Health Association of Greene County

**Total Project Budget**: \$844,433

**DRI Funding Request:** \$844,433 (100% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

### **Project Description**

The Mental Health Association at 455 Main Street is a vital community resource in downtown Catskill. The organization offers youth, family, and supportive care/housing programs to the Catskill community, as well as an inclusive arts and cultural space. The project proposes **building renovations to expand MHA operations and youth recreation space, and upgrades to two units of supportive housing** for people overcoming addiction. Structural improvements include a full roof replacement, foundation and brick repairs, new windows, and accessibility upgrades such as safer decks, stairs, and railings. Interior work would remodel apartment bathrooms and the Clubhouse kitchen, replace damaged flooring and ceilings, and add soundproofing for the youth music room. These improvements would both address urgent safety needs and expand the building's capacity to serve as an inclusive, welcoming, and functional anchor for youth, families, and vulnerable residents.











## 7. Transform Bridge Street Theatre



Bridge Street Theatre is proposing a building renovation that will improve building efficiency and safety while expanding program offerings for Catskill residents and visitors.

Project Location: Bridge Street Theatre (44 West Bridge Street)

**Project Sponsor:** Bridge Street Theatre Inc.

Total Project Budget: \$650,000

DRI Funding Request: \$595,000 (92% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** High

#### **Project Description**

This project aims to make **key safety and functionality improvements to Bridge Street Theatre in order to expand programming** and enhance the downtown Catskill cultural landscape. The project focuses on five interconnected improvements: installing a purpose-driven fire suppression system throughout the theater, renovating a 2,700-square-foot "Big Room" for rehearsals and set design, upgrading heat and cooling with energy-efficient heat pumps, modernizing the speakeasy lobby, adjoining an outdoor patio with an extensive green roof, and improving the building façade and signage. These upgrades would not only expand programming and add five full-time employees to the theatre, but also create a weather-resistant, energy-efficient, and welcoming spaces for theatergoers, performers, and staff—all while supporting the village's broader revitalization goals.





## 8. Develop Mixed-use Work Force Housing and Commercial Space at 506 Main Street



The proposed project would create approximately 70 units of workforce housing above storefronts, similar to the sponsor's recently completed Glove City Lofts in Gloversville, NY above.

Project Location: 506 Main Street (Park for Paws)

Project Sponsor: Parkview Development & Construction, LLC

Total Project Budget: \$31,442,059

**DRI Funding Request:** \$1,000,000 (3% of total project budget)

**Open House Public Support:** High

#### **Project Description**

The proposed development would transform the underutilized Park for Paws open space at the intersection of Main and Water Streets into a 75,000 sq. ft. mixed-use building, with approximately **70 affordable 1- and 2-bedroom apartments above four ground-floor retail storefronts. 63 of the apartments would be affordable to households earning 30-80% of the area median income**, ranging from \$405 to 1,681 per month, and would include space for artists wishing to live and work in Catskill. The remaining 7 units would be affordable to those making 110% of AMI, with rents between \$1,440 and \$1,735 per month. The DRI project scope includes construction, streetscape improvements, and integration of public art and community space on-site. The residential units would include modern kitchens, bathrooms, and amenities. The development would allow approximately 70 households to live in Catskill at affordable rents and would activate upper Main Street with new businesses.







## 9. Transform 199 West Main Street into 6 Units of Workforce Housing



The development at 199 West Main Street would include 6 multi-floor units within townhome-style apartments, similar to this concept image.

**Project Location:** 199 West Main Street

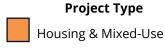
Project Sponsor: Hop-O-Nose LLC
Total Project Budget: \$1,781,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$1,000,000 (56% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** Low

#### **Project Description**

This project would replace an existing single-family home on West Main Street with **two new townhouse-style apartment buildings with six two-bedroom units**, providing approximately 1,400 sq. ft. per unit. Each unit would feature a living area, kitchen, dining space, and half-bath on the first floor, with two bedrooms and a full bath upstairs, including a washer and dryer. The development would include two off-street parking spaces per unit and a small private porch for each residence. All six units would be rented at \$1,500/month, which represents a level affordable to households making just under 70% of AMI.











## 10. Create Housing & Commercial Space at 95 West Bridge Street



The proposed project would add a floor to the existing structure to accommodate ground floor commercial space with residential units above.

Project Location: 95 West Bridge Street

Project Sponsor: 95 W. Bridge Holding LLC (Salvatore Buzzetta & Gina Piazza)

**Total Project Budget**: \$3,150,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$2,250,000 (71% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

The proposed redevelopment of 95 West Bridge Street in Catskill would transform the existing building (formerly an Agway) and adjacent structure through a roof raise and comprehensive renovation, delivering 12 1- and 2-bedroom apartments and up to five commercial spaces. Five 2-bedroom units would be affordable to households making 60% AMI, or \$1,203/month. The site would also feature parking to serve both the residential and commercial components. This project preserves the historic structure while upgrading interiors, building systems, and accessibility, enhancing both housing supply and commercial activity along West Bridge Street.











# 11. Renovate Commercial Space and Expand Housing Options at 437 Main Street



437 Main Street currently houses two floors of commercial space, with an opportunity to renovate the third floor into a residential unit.

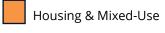
Project Location: 437 Main Street Project Sponsor: Catskill Hills, LLC Total Project Budget: \$240,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$150,000 (65% of total project budget)

**Open House Public Support:** Low

### **Project Description**

This 5,000 sq. ft. mixed-use building on Main Street is advancing to its next phase of renovations to improve safety, energy efficiency, and long-term usability. Planned work includes masonry repairs, energy-efficient windows, rear entry and loading dock improvements, and possibly a new fire escape to enable conversion of the unoccupied third floor into residential space. These upgrades would **strengthen the stability of existing commercial spaces and tenants and create one unit of downtown housing**, contributing to both business vitality and community stability.



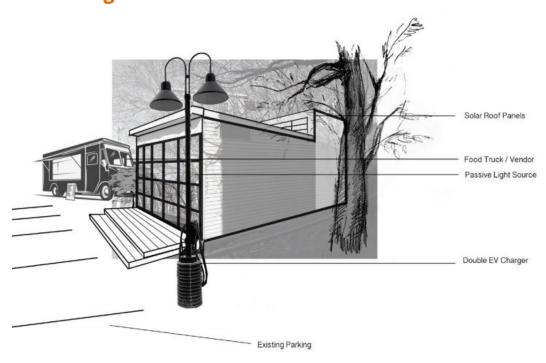








# 12. Establish an Outdoor Destination Space with Four Studio Housing Units at 472 Main Street



The Catskill would feature EV charging, a food truck pad, storefront, and roof deck with solar panels. Four units of housing (not pictured) would be built directly behind the storefront.

Project Location: 472 Main Street

Project Sponsor: Two Hawk Hudson, LLC/Studio Scrivo/Create

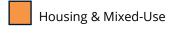
**Total Project Budget**: \$1,096,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$819,000 (75% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** Low

#### **Project Description**

472 Main Street ("The Catskill") is a mixed-use redevelopment designed to connect Main Street to the mountains, creating a storefront for an outdoor-oriented retailer and offering public amenities such as a **viewing deck**, **restroom**, **food truck pad**, **EV charging**, **and garden/outdoor community spaces**, **along with 2 studio apartments and 2 1-bedroom units**. The project involves replacing the existing structure with a similarly-sized retail storefront and constructing four separate structural units of housing behind the storefront in a tiered arrangement on the hillside. **All four units would be affordable to households making between 50-60% of <b>AMI**, **or \$833 to \$1,188 per month**. The project emphasizes sustainability through reclaimed wood and ecofriendly building practices while fostering engagement between residents, visitors, and the onsite small businesses. The proposal recommends a single-phase execution to achieve housing and community space on the same timeline.











## 13. Restore the Historic Brick Façade at 342 Main Street



The project will restore the historic character of the 342 Main Street building by adding brick façade, gooseneck lighting, new building signage, and other enhancements.

**Project Location:** 342 Main Street

Project Sponsor: West Bridge Holdings LLC

Total Project Budget: \$153,486

DRI Funding Request: \$115,115 (75% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** Low

#### **Project Description**

This project would **restore the historic brick façade of a mixed-use building on Main Street to revive its historic character, while improving safety, aesthetics, and functionality of the building.** Renovations will include the removal of non-historic siding, cleaning and full repointing of the brick façade, replacement of eaves and soffits with copper gutters and snow guards, and upgraded street-facing windows. A new traditionally styled building sign with lighting and coordinated storefront siding aims to enhance visibility of the building's tenants. Together, these improvements seek to support a key local retailer (Catskill Grocery) and enhance the overall pedestrian experience on Main Street.





## 14. Activate Live Performances at the Community Theater



The project will continue the Community Theater renovation project by improving back-of-house amenities to attract live performances to the venue.

**Project Location:** 373 Main Street

Project Sponsor: 373 Main Street LLC

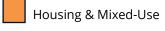
**Total Project Budget**: \$911,425

**DRI Funding Request:** \$525,000 (58% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** High

#### **Project Description**

The Community Theater redevelopment project is a two-phase project bringing new cultural and economic vitality to Catskill's historic Main Street. Phase I, completed in September 2025, restored the main 488-seat theater, the second-floor 234-seat cinema, the lobby, and the concessions and public spaces. Phase I allowed the venue to reopen for film showings. Phase II, the proposed DRI project, would be aimed at **bringing live performances to the venue and expanding artist support by enhancing back-of-house facilities, including a green room, two dressing rooms, upgraded lighting and acoustics, and a new lobby bar.** Together, these two phases of renovation will preserve a historic landmark in downtown Catskill and create a dynamic, year-round cultural destination.











## 15. Convert 104 Water Street to Mixed-use Creative Space and Art Studios





This project will renovate 104 Water Street to expand Cone Zero's ceramic studios and visual arts programming. The expanded Cone Zero space will also include new multi-use classrooms and artist studios.

**Project Location:** 104 Water Street

Project Sponsor: 104 Water Street LLC

Total Project Budget: \$946,850

**DRI Funding Request:** \$500,000 (53% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

This project would transform a long-vacant building at 104 Water Street into a **vibrant**, **mixed-use arts hub**, **allowing Cone Zero Ceramics to expand its multi-media ceramic studios and host visual arts programs**. Renovations include a full gut and environmental remediation, with the ground floor dedicated to firing, glazing, and finishing workshops, and the second floor featuring multi-use classrooms, kids' studios, and private artist workspaces. This redevelopment would increase program capacity for Cone Zero, currently based at Foreland in Catskill, improve building safety and accessibility, and create a year-round destination for arts education, cultural programming, and community engagement in downtown Catskill.





### 16. Enhance Water Access from Creekside Restaurant



This project is proposing to stabilize the shoreline near Creekside Restaurant and the Hop-O-Nose Marina to preserve long-term riverfront access and implement building improvements at the restaurant.

**Project Location:** Creekside Restaurant (106 West Main Street)

**Project Sponsor:** ZAC Land Holding, LLC (Sean Meagher)

**Total Project Budget**: \$1,310,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$900,000 (69% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

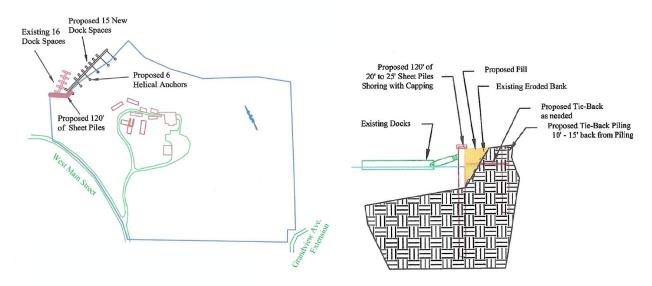
This project would invest in the Creekside Restaurant and marina property on the Catskill Creek waterfront to **enhance accessibility, recreational opportunities, and waterfront dining for residents and visitors.** Key elements include construction of a retaining wall to address shoreline erosion, a pavilion for gatherings and events, fire pit and BBQ areas, upgraded patios, building renovations with a nautical design, kayak storage and launch, fueling station for public boating, landscaping, lighting, and upgraded utilities. Together, these improvements would preserve and activate the Creek as a unique natural asset, support downtown vibrancy, and create a welcoming space for community enjoyment and tourism.







## 17. Improve Waterfront Resilience and Public Access at 70 West Main Street



Forlini's is proposing to stabilize the Catskill Creek shoreline and add 15 new slips to the marina.

Project Location: 70 West Main Street

Project Sponsor: Forlini's LLC

Total Project Budget: \$251,520

**DRI Funding Request:** \$188,640 (75% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Low

### **Project Description**

The Forlini's waterfront project would **construct climate-resilient infrastructure to stabilize the shoreline, restore lost docking capacity, and support long-term access to Catskill Creek.** Planned improvements include shoreline stabilization using engineered and nature-based solutions, reconstruction of the bulkhead and underwater infrastructure along the waterline, and expanding an ADA-compliant dock for boaters. This project is expected to add 15 more slips to the marina, allowing more local and visiting boaters to access riverfront amenities as well as Catskill's walkable downtown. Overall, the project would seek to strengthen recreation, tourism, and waterfront resilience in alignment with the village's DRI goals.











## **Create an Open-Air Event Venue and Public Waterfront Access at Lumberyard Studios**



This project proposes demolishing the existing riverfront properties on the Lumberyard property to create a publicly accessible boardwalk, and ultimately a year-round cultural destination for visitors and residents.

**Project Location:** Lumberyard Studios (62 Water Street)

Project Sponsor: AVS Production Group

**Total Project Budget**: \$5,000,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$3,750,000 (75% of total project cost)

**Open House Public Support:** Low

### **Project Description**

This project would transform 62 Water Street into a year-round cultural and community hub featuring art, music, and culinary programming. The project would demolish the existing riverfront structures and redevelop the west side of Water Street into a new open plaza for private and public events, a permanent performance stage, and a publicly accessible waterfront boardwalk. This work-in-progress scope would help open a portion of Catskill Creek to the public and bring new recreational opportunities to the village.





## 19. Beautify and Expand Operations at Return Brewing Outpost



Return Brewing Outpost is proposing to install new lighting and murals by local artists to beautify the space, in addition to purchasing equipment to expand manufacturing capacity.

**Project Location:** Return Brewing Outpost (201 Water Street)

Project Sponsor: Return Brewing Catskill LLC

**Total Project Budget**: \$682,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$503,000 (74% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

This project aims to **revitalize the space surrounding Return Brewing Outpost by adding new lighting**, **murals by local artists**, **and enhanced wayfinding to attract foot traffic** between Main Street and the Black Bridge pedestrian walkway. The project would **also invest in expanding brewing operations by purchasing new and existing equipment**, three new fermentation tanks, stainless steel kegs, and a PLC system overhaul, helping establish a first step towards long-term ownership of the property and the relocation of Return's brewing headquarters from Hudson, NY, to Catskill. These improvements will support the long-term success of Return Brewing Outpost, create at least five full-time local jobs, and strengthen Catskill's downtown economy.





## 20. Renovate Subversive Malting and Brewing into a Larger, All-Season Destination



Subversive Malting and Brewing would expand its taproom by 1,200 square feet and enhance the building interior to expand operations and host more local events.

**Project Location:** Subversive Malting and Brewing (96 West Bridge Street)

**Project Sponsor:** Subversive Malting and Brewing

**Total Project Budget**: \$994,000

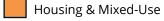
DRI Funding Request: \$494,000 (50% of total project cost)

Open House Public Support: Medium

#### **Project Description**

The project at Subversive Malting and Brewing would **expand the existing taproom by 1,200 square feet while implementing cosmetic and sustainability upgrades throughout the interior of the building.** The addition would feature energy-efficient materials, insulated garage doors, upgraded glazing, and ADA-compliant access and restrooms, addressing key operational and accessibility challenges. This expansion would boost year-round seating capacity, enabling the venue to host live music, community events, seasonal beer releases, and beer dinners. Overall, the project enhances the sustainability, inclusivity, and long-term resilience of a central gathering space in the village, while strengthening Catskill's cultural and economic vitality.









# 21. Catskill's Advancement for New Downtown Opportunities (CANDO) Fund (Small Project Fund)



The CANDO Fund would contribute to smaller-scale building and storefront improvements throughout the Catskill DRI area.

Source: Tony Cenicola/The New York Times

**Project Location:** Throughout the Catskill DRI Area

**Project Sponsor:** Greene County Economic Development Corporation

**Total Project Budget**: \$600,000

**DRI Funding Request:** \$600,000 (100% of total budget)

Open House Public Support: High

### **Project Description**

The Catskill's Advancement for New Downtown Opportunities (CANDO) Fund would **fund smaller-scale projects like building and storefront improvements and business equipment expenses and interior upgrades throughout the DRI area.** As part of the DRI program, each awarded community can create one "small project fund" to address local needs – the Catskill DRI received nearly 30 interest forms from business and property owners, ranging from building repairs, business renovations, and public art, indicating a widespread demand for this fund. Greene County Economic Development Corporation (GCEDC) would administer the fund, and a committee of local representatives and residents would ultimately decide which projects receive funding.

