



GOUVERNEUR NY FORWARD

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE | JUNE 16, 2025

The Local Planning Committee (LPC) welcomes you to the Gouverneur NY Forward **Public Open House**. Share your ideas and help shape the future of downtown Gouverneur. Please provide input at one or more of the activity stations. If you have any questions about an activity, just ask a member of the project team.

PARTICIPANT GUIDE FOR ACTIVITY STATIONS

Station #1 – Project Overview: The what, why, who and how of NY Forward

Station #2 – Downtown Profile: Highlights of existing conditions

Station #3 – Downtown Vision & Goals: Use the sticky notes to share what you want downtown Gouverneur to look like in 5-7 years.

Station #4 – Challenges & Opportunities: Share your concerns for Gouverneur and identify opportunities.

Station #5 – Thinking About Public Spaces: On the maps, identify your ideas for public spaces in downtown. What improvements would you like to see and where. How are these spaces used already? What can be added?

Station #6 – Other Thoughts and Ideas: Have more to share? Write it down at this station!

Station #7 – Call for Projects: The call for projects is open now! Get information about the steps to propose a project for funding consideration.

Station #8 – Kids Table: This is a place for kids to be creative and share their ideas.



NY Forward



WHAT IS NY FORWARD?

NY Forward (NYF) was launched in 2022 and serves as a central component of the State's economic development efforts to accelerate and expand the revitalization of New York's downtowns. NY Forward communities are walkable, less dense areas that serve the immediate local community, and are more local in nature - focusing on the immediately surrounding residential or rural agricultural-centric development.

Through the NYF program, these smaller downtowns receive planning and project implementation support needed to attract more businesses, residents, and visitors, while also providing a higher quality of life for all residents.

Gouverneur has been awarded \$4.5 million to implement projects as one of the North Country's recipients of NY Forward funding!



Visioning

Refine the community's future vision, establish priorities and gather input



Opportunities + Challenges

Understand the community's unique characteristics and key opportunities



Project Development + Evaluation

Identify, develop, and evaluate potential projects



Project Recommendations

Recommend projects that align with the community's goals

- **8 – 9 Month Timeframe (April to December)**
- **Each Community is led by a Local Planning Committee and consultant team to guide the planning process, develop projects to recommend to the State for funding consideration, and document in a Strategic Investment Plan**
- **This process helps ensure all voices are heard and projects are carefully considered**

For more information, go to the Project Website: GouverneurNYForward.com

Questions and comments can be shared at any time through the Project Website.
Scan the QR code using your cell phone camera.

