

# Accessing Federal Resources to Strengthen the Regional Economy: A Technical Assistance Workshop

May 18, 2011

Radisson Hotel Corning, New York

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8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **Registration – Radisson Lobby**

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. **Introduction and Overview – Finger Lakes Ballroom**

Guy Land, *Chief of Staff, Appalachian Regional Commission*

Jill Harvey, *New York State Director, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture*

Kyle Wilber, *New York State Appalachian Regional Development Program Manager, New York State Department of State*

Earl Gohl, *Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission*

## **The Federal Grant Process – The Congressional Perspective**

Sarah Clark, *Regional Director, Office of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand*

10:00 a.m. **“The Keys to Success” – Grant Writing 101**

Dr. Jeffrey Schwartz, *Education Program Manager, Appalachian Regional Commission*

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**

### **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – Carder Room**

Moderator: Jeffrey Schwartz, *Program Manager, Appalachian Regional Commission*

Jacquelyn Pitta, *Region II Communications Director, Office of Communications and Outreach, U.S. Department of Education*

Elizabeth Williamson, *Lead Education Program Specialist, Philadelphia Regional Office, U.S. Department of Education*

Dr. Jaime Torres, *Regional Director, Region II, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services*

Kent Hibben, *Small Business Specialist, Office of Economic Impact and Diversity, U.S. Department of Energy*

Daniel Scanlin, *Corning Manager, New York State Department of Labor*

### **INFRASTRUCTURE I – Cayuga Room**

Moderator: Sue Moreland, *Program Manager, Appalachian Regional Commission*

Thomas Williams, *Pennsylvania State Director, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture*

John Marshall, *New York/Vermont Economic Development Representative, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce*



***INFRASTRUCTURE II – Seneca Room***

***Moderator:*** Dan Neff, *Director of Local Development District Program, Appalachian Regional Commission*

Vincent Hom, *Director, New York Community Planning and Development Office, Department of Housing and Urban Development*

Peter Kleskovic, *Federal-Aid Programs Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation*

***BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT/ENTREPRENEURSHIP – Keuka Room***

***Moderator:*** David Hughes, *Program Manager, Appalachian Regional Commission*

Brian Qualey, *Branch Manager, Elmira Region, U.S. Small Business Administration*

Andrew Reid, *Pennsylvania Economic Development Representative, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce*

Jack Tarburton, *Delaware/Maryland State Director, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture*

12:00 p.m.

**Networking Lunch – Finger Lakes Ballroom**

**Keynote Address: “Rebuilding New York’s Economy through Cooperation, Efficiency and Accountability”**

Lieutenant Governor Robert J. Duffy

(Introduction by Dierdre K. Scozzafava, *New York State Deputy Secretary of State for Local Government*)

1:00 – 2:15 p.m.

**Concurrent Breakout Sessions (repeat of morning sessions and presenters)**

***WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT – Carder Room***

***INFRASTRUCTURE I – Cayuga Room***

***INFRASTRUCTURE II – Seneca Room***

***BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT/ENTREPRENEURSHIP – Keuka Room***

2:15 p.m.

**Closing remarks – Finger Lakes Ballroom**

Victor Vasquez, *Deputy Under Secretary, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture*

Dr. Jackie Williams, *Director, Office of Rural Housing and Economic Development, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

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