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Village of Rhinebeck Receives Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant

The Village of Rhinebeck has been awarded a \$15,000 reimbursement grant from Hudson Valley River Greenway for the improvement of sidewalks in the Village Historic District.

The grant award was announced at the Greenway's monthly board meeting held at the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home in Hyde Park, NY. On hand to receive the award were Mayor James O. Reardon and Trustee Terry Gipson.

The Village of Rhinebeck is a member of the Green Way Compact, which consists of 264 communities within 13 counties that border the Hudson River. The Hudson Valley Greenway is a state sponsored program created to facilitate the development of a regional strategy for preserving scenic, natural, historic, cultural and recreational resources while encouraging compatible economic development and maintaining the tradition of home rule for land use decision-making.

The Rhinebeck Village Board recently appointed a Pedestrian Task Force to examine its current pedestrian system and to make recommendations on how improvements can be made. This grant will help fund a demonstration project for sidewalk repair in locations to be determined by the Village Board.

The Village Board would like to thank Klara Sauer who graciously volunteered to lead this grant application process. Her enthusiasm and tireless efforts gave us the competitive edge that is necessary to win grants in today's challenging economy.