

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

Columbia County will be submitting an application to the New York State Office of Community Renewal for the 2018 Community Block Grant Economic Development Program, which is available through an Open Round process. The application proposes an Economic Development activity and will include the administration and program delivery of such. The County will apply for the grant in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. A project under consideration will provide financial assistance to Drumlin Field Ventures LLC and Drumlin Field Land, LLC (the "Companies").

The Companies acquired 182 acres of land located at 2320 County Route 27 in the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York of which approximately 70 to 100 acres will be planted with fruit orchards and vineyards on land which was formally orchards; and will construct an approximately 20,800 square foot complex of three buildings which will house the distillery, tasting room, offices, winery/cidery and warehouse. The Company projects the creation of approximately 16 new jobs in connection with this project.

Assistance under the Community Development Block Grant Program must meet one of three national objectives: benefit to low and moderate income persons, elimination of slums and blight, or urgent needs affecting the health and safety of the community. No less than seventy percent (70%) of grant funds must be used for activities benefiting low and moderate income persons and the benefit area must contain at least fifty-one percent (51%) low and moderate residents. Our program must be designed to meet these criteria.

A Public Hearing will be held on March 13, 2019 at 7:30pm at the Columbia County Board of Supervisors Chambers at 401 State Street, Hudson NY 12534 to afford an opportunity for discussion and comment on the proposed application and to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties. Persons requiring special accommodation are asked to contact the County prior to the public hearing.

Copy of said application is available in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

By order of Clerk of the Board,



Kelly S. Bacaro

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Date