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PATTERN'S ANNUAL HOUSING FORUM ON SEPTEMBER 28 SPARKED URBAN REVITALIZATION DISCUSSION

The theme of urban revitalization and the intersection of housing, health, and community and economic development brought over 140 attendees to the 2018 Housing Forum held September 28 in Poughkeepsie. The forum was organized by Pattern's Senior Vice President Joe Czajka, head of the Center for Housing Solutions and Urban Initiatives. Pattern jumpstarted the event with a look at synergies between housing and economic development, and a presentation about the importance of increasing the supply of a wide range of housing options. Speakers from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, NeighborWorks America, the Center for Community Progress, and Lawrence Community Works presented valuable tools and techniques for urban revitalization.

The forum featured a panel discussion on the links between economic development and housing. The panel included Matt Rand (BHG Rand Realty), Sue Gerry (Westchester Medical Center Health Network), Joe Bonura (Bonura Hospitality Group), and Joe Apicella (MacQuesten Development) and was moderated by Mike Oates, President & CEO of Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation. Panelists spoke about the need for additional rental housing and said that new housing developments with amenities are critical for economic development to advance and to attract and retain the workforce.

Pattern provided a snapshot of countywide data from the recently released report from the United Way known as ALICE, which stands for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed. The data represents the growing number of individuals and families who are working, but are unable to afford the basic necessities of housing, child care, food, transportation and health care.



Moderator Mike Oates leads a panel discussion on the links between economic development. From left: Mike Oates, Joe Apicella, Joe Bonura, Sue Gerry.

PATTERN RELEASES NEW "HOUSING PROFILES" FOR 25 CITIES AND VILLAGES

Pattern and its Center for Housing Solutions and Urban Initiatives have released a new set of Housing Profiles of the region's urban areas, offering informative and easy-to-read snapshots of housing conditions and affordability in 25 cities and villages throughout the Hudson Valley.

Covering a range of communities, from larger cities like New Rochelle, Middletown, and Poughkeepsie, to smaller villages like Saugerties, Liberty, and Haverstraw, the 12-page profiles give elected officials, municipal staff, housing organizations, developers, real estate agents, civic groups, and residents, "a powerful new tool to understand and react to the changes in the housing market taking place in the region's urban areas," said Joe Czajka, Executive Director of the Center for Housing Solutions and Senior Vice President at Pattern for Progress.

Bringing together data from a variety of sources in order to tell a compelling story about housing conditions and trends within each community, the profiles use charts, graphs, maps, and analysis to display information about population and demographic changes, home values, median rents, housing affordability, gentrification, public and affordable housing projects, and much more.



The 25 communities profiled are all part of the Urban Action Agenda, Pattern's ongoing initiative to promote growth and revitalization in urban centers throughout the nine-county Hudson Valley Region.

"Pattern's Housing Profiles provide important, informative and comparative data that will help communities address the significant housing challenges that we face here in the Hudson Valley at all income levels," said Kevin O'Connor, the CEO of RUPCO, an affordable housing group based in Kingston. "Data drives good decision making and once again Pattern is providing relevant information across our region that can help us plan a brighter future with affordable housing, sustainable communities and economic prosperity," he added.

Funding for the profiles comes from Empire State Development and the NYS Department of State through the Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council. All 25 profiles are available for download on Pattern's website at: <http://www.pattern-for-progress.org/what-we-do/current-issues-research-agenda/housing/housing-profiles/>