

# Investing In Our **Future**



**Michael P. Hein**  
**Ulster County Executive**

**2018 Ulster County Executive Budget**

The background features a large, semi-transparent seal of the State of New York. The seal is circular and contains a central figure of a Native American holding a bow and arrow, standing on a rock. Above the figure is a banner with the date '1683'. The outer ring of the seal contains the text 'SEAL OF ULSTER COUNTY' at the top and 'STATE OF NEW YORK' at the bottom. The seal is set against a dark blue background.

# The 2018 Executive Budget Cuts Property Taxes Again

**The Lowest Taxes In Nearly A Decade**

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# 2018 Executive Budget Lowers Property Taxes Again

2013

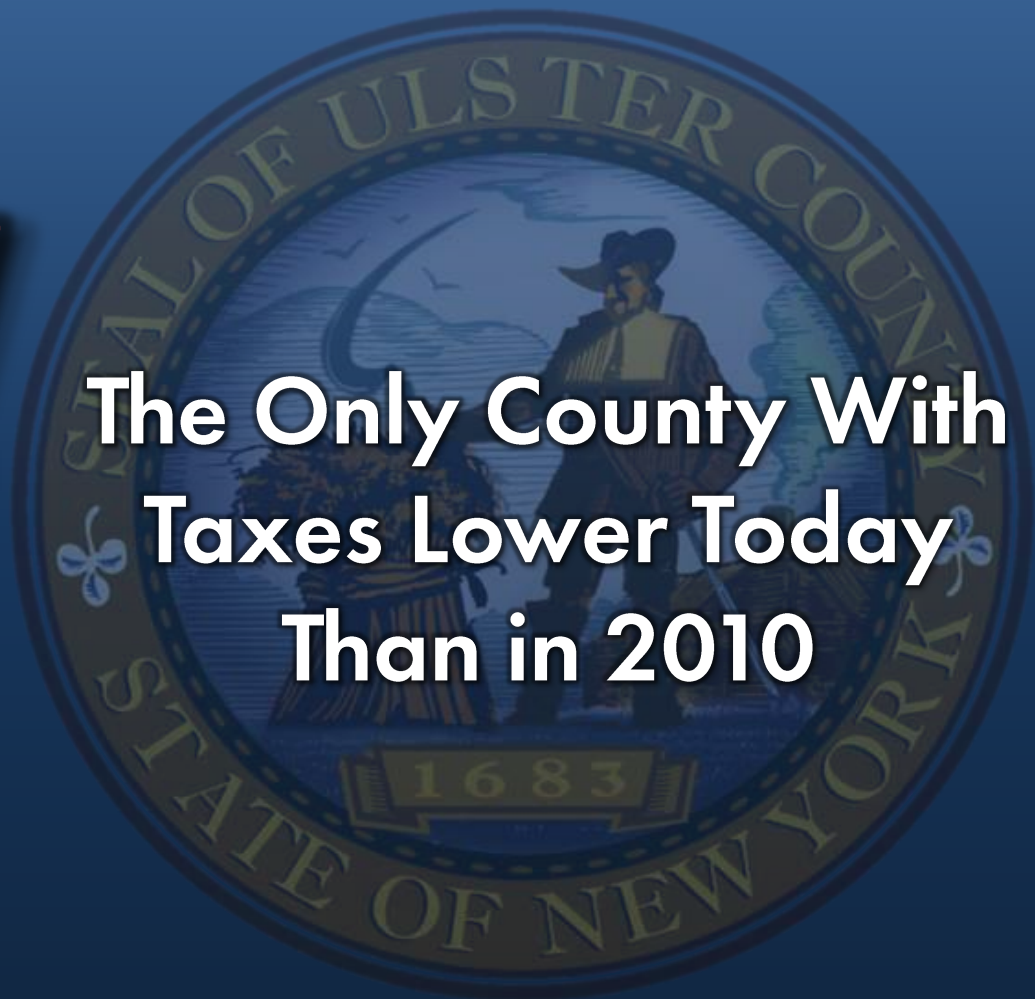
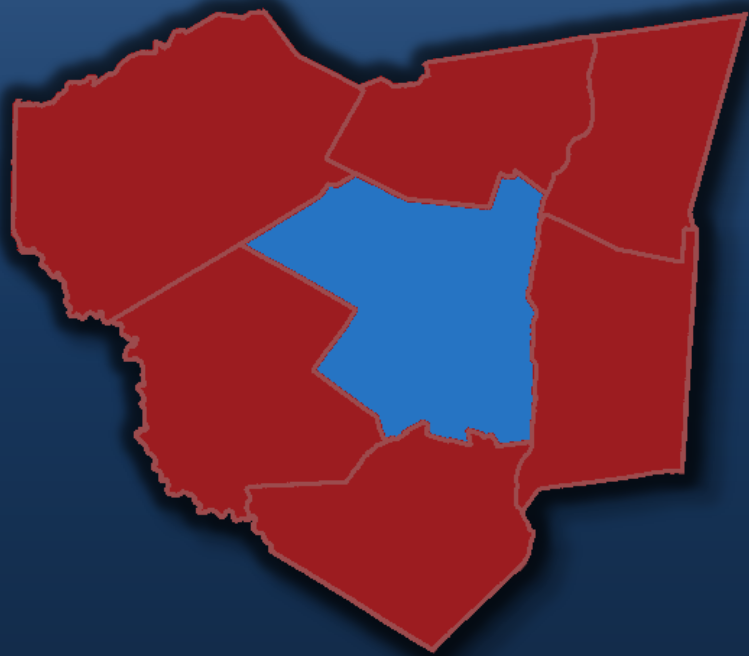
2014

2015

2016

2017

2018



**The Only County With  
Taxes Lower Today  
Than in 2010**



# Reinventing County Government



Ensuring More Services. Lowering Property Taxes.



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# The New York Times

## *As Federal Cuts Loom, New York State Aims to Protect Itself From Washington*

By JESSE MCKINLEY and LISA W. FODERARO MARCH 28, 2017



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# The New York Times

## *New York's Bet on New Casinos Has Yet to Hit Jackpot*

By JESSE MCKINLEY SEPT. 19, 2017





# Sales Tax Remains Our Largest And **Most Volatile** Revenue Source





# 2018 Executive Budget

## 2018 Executive Budget Recommendation (\$ in millions)

Total Appropriations	\$323.9
Total Revenues	\$234.5
Total County Cost	\$89.4
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$12.7
Real Property Tax Levy	\$76.7

**Tax Levy Decrease**

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**Lowest Property Tax Levy Since 2010**



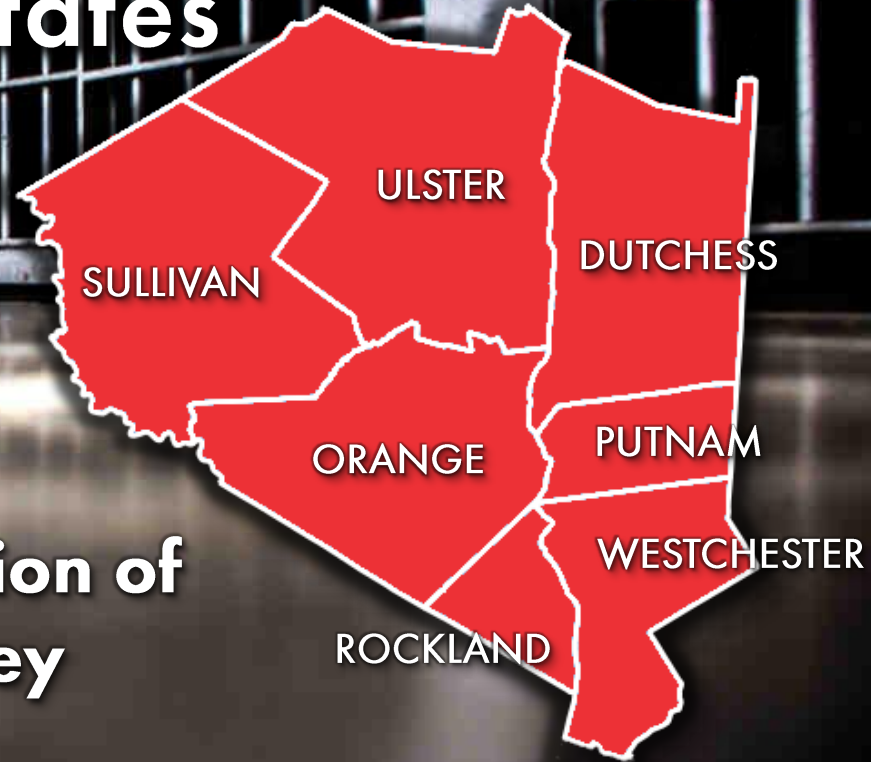
# Restorative Justice & Community Empowerment Center

Ulster County Probation Department



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# 2.3 Million People Incarcerated Across the United States



Approximately The Population of  
The Entire Mid-Hudson Valley



**The Suffolk Times.**

04/10/2017

**New York 'Raises the Age' of criminal  
responsibility**

Kelly Zegers



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**Providing Evidence-Based Programming  
Specifically Targeted at Reducing Recidivism**

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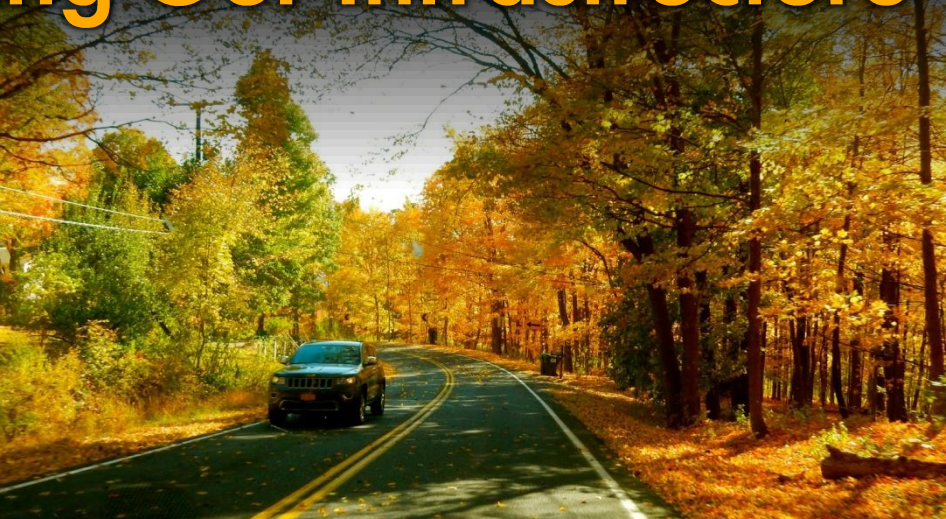








# Proactively Maintaining Our Infrastructure



# Unprecedented Four Year Investment of **\$60 Million**



**BUILDING A BETTER  
ULSTER COUNTY**



COUNTY EXECUTIVE MICHAEL P. HEIN

**236 Miles**

**Of County Roads Resurfaced**

**65 More Miles To Be Resurfaced in 2018**





# BUILDING A SAFER ULSTER COUNTY



COUNTY EXECUTIVE MICHAEL P. HEIN





# Community-Focused Bridge Replacement Program





**\$2.1 Million Investment**



**In New Road Signage**





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# The Washington Post

Health & Science

January 24, 2016

Flint's water crisis reveals  
government failures at every level

# The New York Times

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*Fears About Water Supply Grip  
Village That Made Teflon Products*

By JESSE MCKINLEY FEB. 26, 2016

# TIMES HERALD-RECORD

October 25, 2016

**Water contamination crisis in Newburgh**

By Leonard Sparks



CITY  
OF  
NEW YORK  
WATER SUPPLY

# ASHOKAN RESERVOIR

HELP KEEP  
THIS WATER CLEAN









NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of COUNTIES

2015 NACo  
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



EPA  
**GREEN POWER**  
Leadership Award Winner  
2015



**NYSERDA**  
New York's First  
Clean Energy Community



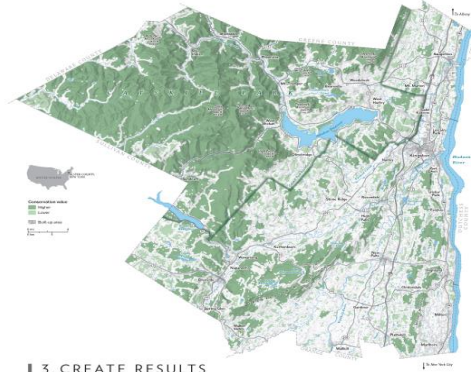
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# DREAMING GREEN

CASE STUDY: ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK

Just a hundred miles north of Manhattan, Ulster is a mostly rural county that spans the Catskill Mountains and the Hudson River Valley. Long a source of New York City's drinking water, it also has become a growing market for tourism and second homes. Ulster is challenged as a community how to encourage development while protecting natural habitat and quality of life. In 2003, assisted by the nonprofit Center for Future Generations, a new county government embarked on a three-step process to create—and act on—a “green plan” for conservation and development.

## 1. MAKE A MAP



## 2. SET PRIORITIES

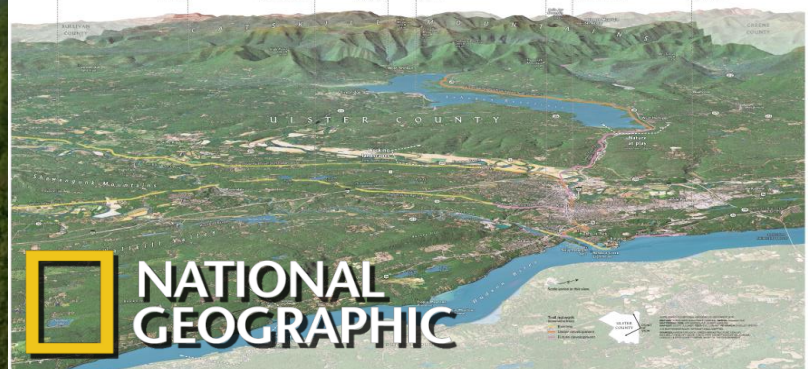
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## 3. CREATE RESULTS

Along with other steps, the county's conservation plan includes a number of key results. The county's early conservation planning, which has been able to make significant progress, has been largely a result of the county's focus on protecting natural resources.

- Mountaintop removal** - The county has successfully protected 1,000 acres of mountaintop habitat from being removed.
- Streamflow** - The county has successfully protected 1,000 acres of streamflow habitat from being removed.
- Green college** - The county has successfully protected 1,000 acres of green college habitat from being removed.
- Recreation** - The county has successfully protected 1,000 acres of recreation habitat from being removed.
- Water quality** - The county has successfully protected 1,000 acres of water quality habitat from being removed.



A close-up photograph of a person's hands filling a clear glass with water from a modern, high-arc chrome faucet. The person is wearing a yellow shirt and a ring on their left hand. The background is a bright, out-of-focus kitchen with a window showing greenery. The text 'Enhanced Water Protection Efforts' is overlaid at the top in a large, white, bold font with a black outline.

# Enhanced Water Protection Efforts

- Expanding Microbiological Water Testing
- Establishing Water Quality Management Agency





# Daily Freeman

Kingston to get \$10 million from state  
to revitalize Stockade Historic District

09/20/17

By Patricia R. Doxsey





**"The Office of Economic Development came to our rescue... and simply gets the job done."**

**- Rich Gottlieb  
Owner, Rock & Snow  
New Paltz**







# Providing Peace of Mind for Families





# Investing In Public Safety









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