



## 38th Annual Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 2, 2022 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. on Zoom

*PRIDE of Ticonderoga, is a non-profit organization established in 1984 for the purpose of connecting and enhancing the community through housing restoration, downtown revitalization, historic preservation, and community development programs*

# AGENDA

- Welcome Board President
- IceBreaker Introductions & Group Photo Members/ Board/ Staff
- Board Elections Executive Director Board President
- PRIDE's Rear View & Look Ahead
- Guest Speaker - Regional Planning Beth Gilles, Executive Director of LCLGRBP
- Question & Answer Members/ Board/ Staff

The background of the slide is white and is decorated with numerous gold streamers and confetti. The streamers are long, thin, and wavy, with a metallic sheen. They are scattered across the page, with some running vertically and others horizontally. The confetti consists of small, irregular pieces of gold paper, also scattered throughout the background.

**WELCOME**

By: Stuart Baker – Board President

# What is PRIDE to you?

Roundtable Introductions

# The '21-'22 PRIDE Team

## **Board of Directors:**

Policy & Oversight

Stuart Baker – *Board President*

Tom Schaffer - *Secretary*

Ross Kelley – *Treasurer*

Matt Courtright - *Director*

Robert Pickoff- *Director*

haron Hall - *Director*

Allison Kaupelis- *Director*

## **Staff:**

Implementation & Administration

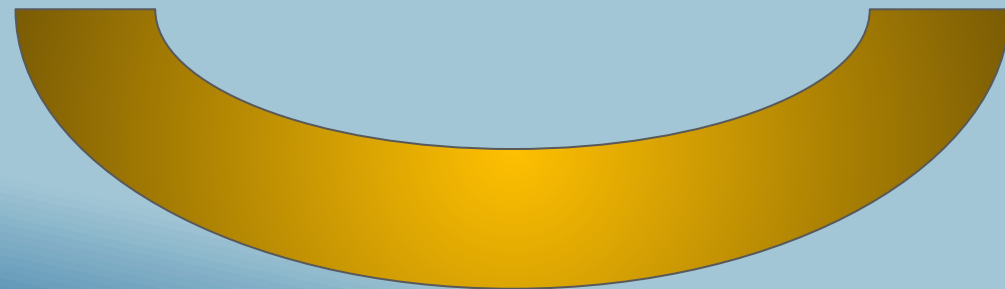
Elisha Bartlett - *Executive Director*

Jeanene Wilson - *Program Administrator*

# GROUP PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

SMILE!

You're going to be on camera





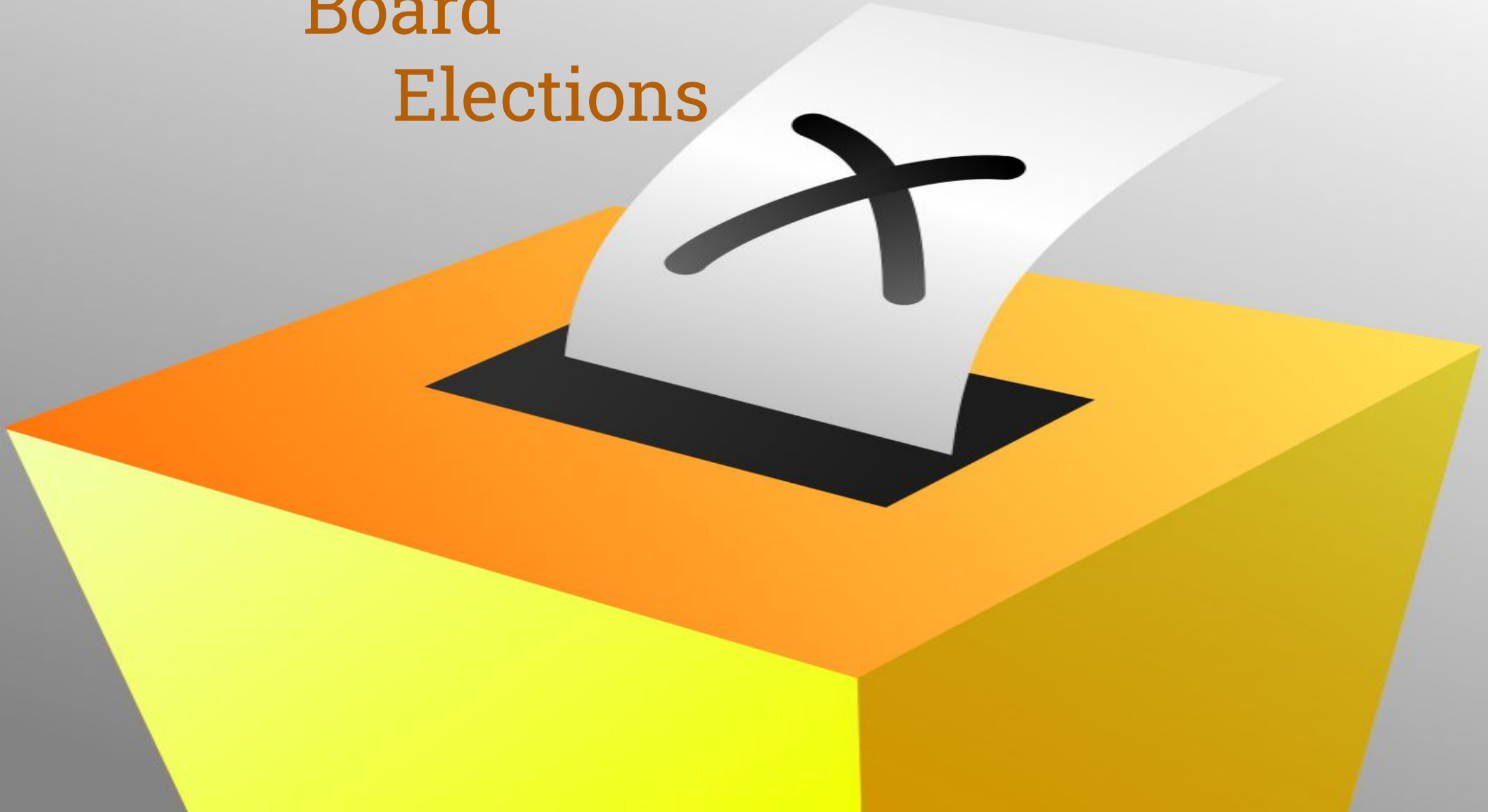
Thank you to Matthew Courtright &  
Sharon Hall!!



We are grateful for the time you dedicated to the  
PRIDE Board of Directors and helping to make PRIDE  
service area!



# Board Elections

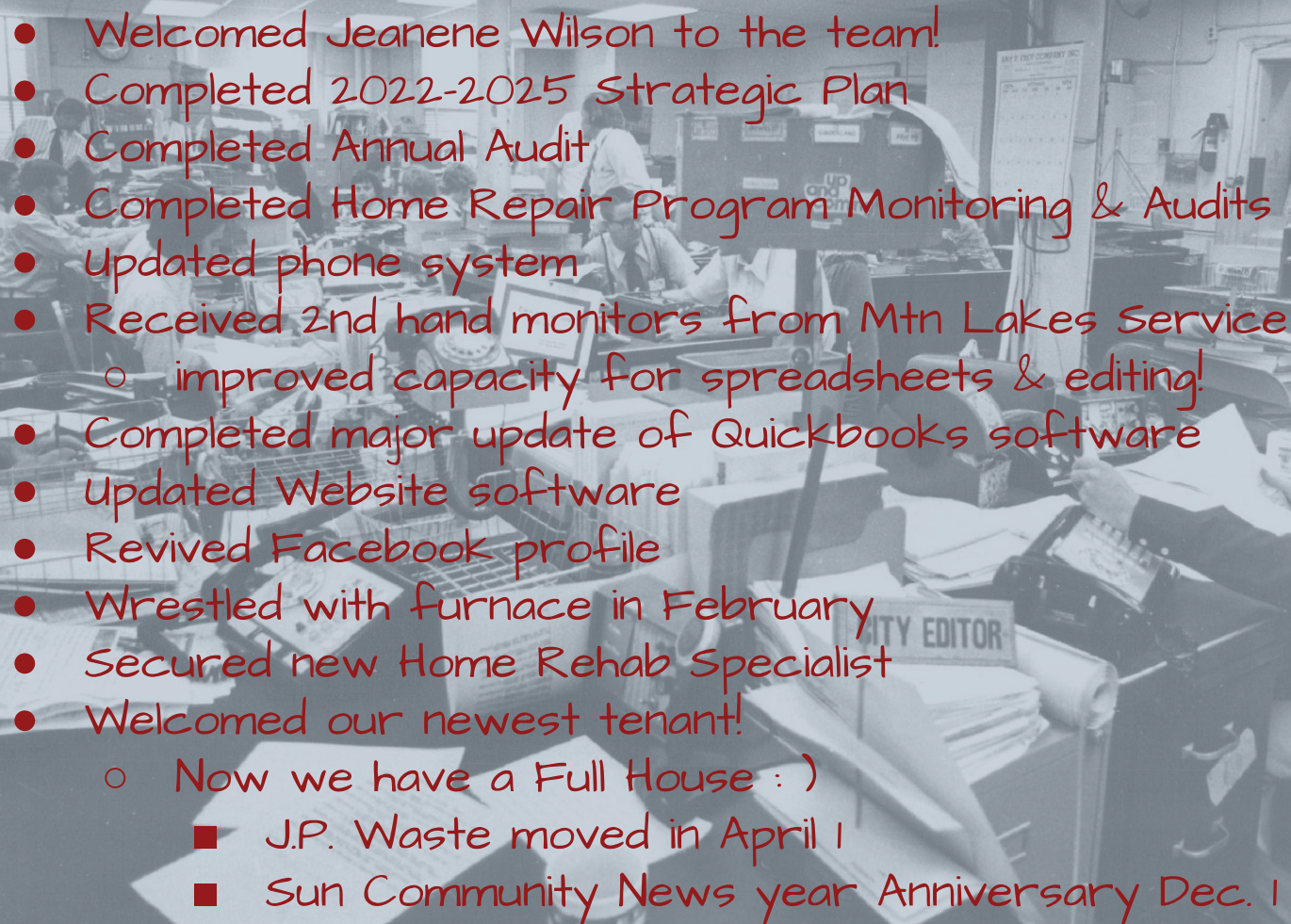




PRIDE's Year  
in  
review



# OFFICE OPERATION HIGHLIGHTS

- 
- Welcomed Jeanene Wilson to the team!
  - Completed 2022-2025 Strategic Plan
  - Completed Annual Audit
  - Completed Home Repair Program Monitoring & Audits
  - Updated phone system
  - Received 2nd hand monitors from Mtn Lakes Service
    - improved capacity for spreadsheets & editing!
  - Completed major update of Quickbooks software
  - Updated Website software
  - Revived Facebook profile
  - Wrestled with furnace in February
  - Secured new Home Rehab Specialist
  - Welcomed our newest tenant!
    - Now we have a Full House : )
      - J.P. Waste moved in April |
      - Sun Community News year Anniversary Dec. |

# Housing Restoration

Continued to protect affordable housing in PRIDE's service area:

- Applied for, secured over \$400k in grant funding
- Activated 2 Low income grant programs
- Completed over \$130k in home repair work this year
  - 1 new home rehab specialist
  - 2 major home repairs completed with HOME LPA, Federal Funding
  - 2 minor repairs completed w/ RESTORE Funding
  - 3 Neighbors Helping Neighbors emergency repairs under \$1,500

Before: dilapidated siding



After: new siding = new house!



Before: Emergency replacement of septic pump



After: New Pump



Before: leaking roof



Interim: tarp, and replace



# DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

<https://ticonderogadri.com/about/>

**TICONDEROGA**  
DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE

**IMPORTANT  
INFO & NEWS**

[WWW.TICONDEROGADRI.COM](http://WWW.TICONDEROGADRI.COM)

13 meetings w/ 9 Committee members & Town Support =  
1 facilitator team, 1 videographer, 1 web developer =  
1 website, 1 video, 1 survey,  
to engage the public for a shared vision, &  
effort to obtain up to \$10 million to further revitalize  
Downtown Ticonderoga!

&

Paper & Pencil



Alignment with Regional Economic Development Plan to:

- Provide Jobs
- Provide job training
- Remove blight
- Source Locally grown food
- Commemorate history
- Attract visitors
- Serve locals
- Compliment other downtown amenities
- Fill a service gap

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION w/ THE 18th Century SAWMILL

Team members:  
Beth Hill, Matthew Keagle, Stuart Lilie, Joseph Giordano, Mark Wright, Elisha Bartlett

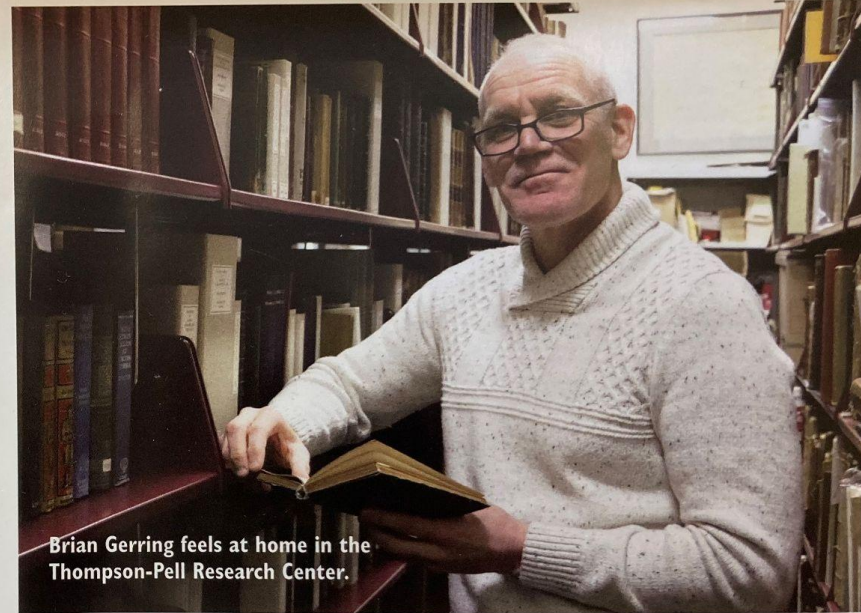
- numerous preparation team-meetings
- 3 partner meetings
- 1 final partner contract
- 1 hiring process
- 1 new employee contract

## Logging History

*A former graduate fellow will help research Ticonderoga's oldest industry, a 1756 sawmill*

Fort Ticonderoga has embarked on a new partnership with PRIDE of Ticonderoga and the Town of Ticonderoga to research and document the military sawmill near the falls of the LaChute River that operated under the direction of Fort Ticonderoga's garrison commanders.

In anticipation of an eventual reconstruction, Fort Ticonderoga is supporting the town by hiring a dedicated research fellow to compile a history of the sawmill. After a nationwide search for candidates, Brian Gerring, a former 2021 Edward W. Pell Graduate Fellow, was selected to prepare the report. A U.S. Army veteran who attended graduate school at Norwich University, Gerring's familiarity with Ticonderoga's history and resources will help him document for the first time the sawmill's history and role in bridging the community's military and industrial history.



Brian Gerring feels at home in the Thompson-Pell Research Center.

► This detail from the 1777 Wintersmith map of British-held Ticonderoga shows the location of the sawmill near the falls on the LaChute River, the heart of the modern town of Ticonderoga. Since 1756, the sawmill had been a critical piece of Fort Ticonderoga's military infrastructure.



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## NYS Rural Housing Coalition & Rural Advocates

- PRIDE is a long standing New York State Rural Housing Partner
- Attended both Coalition and Advocates Conferences
- Provide mentorship to other Rural Housing Partners
- Attend periodic monthly meetings to discuss policy
- exchange info on housing programs

## Town of Ticonderoga

### Economic Development Committee:

- PRIDE is an active member
- 3 meetings held since January to lay the foundation



## TMSP Design Committee

- PRIDE is a member
- meets every other month ahead of TMSP meetings

## Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partners (TMSP)

- Advisory Board member
- Meets every other month

## Ticonderoga Parks & Rec/ Building & Grounds Committee

- Committee Member
- Meets every other month

## Roundtable Meetings for Housing Solutions

- Northern Forest Roundtable Meetings
- Saint Lawrence University
- Common Ground Alliance
- Essex County Commissioner's Housing Committee

# Continuing to Build a Vibrant Future



EM

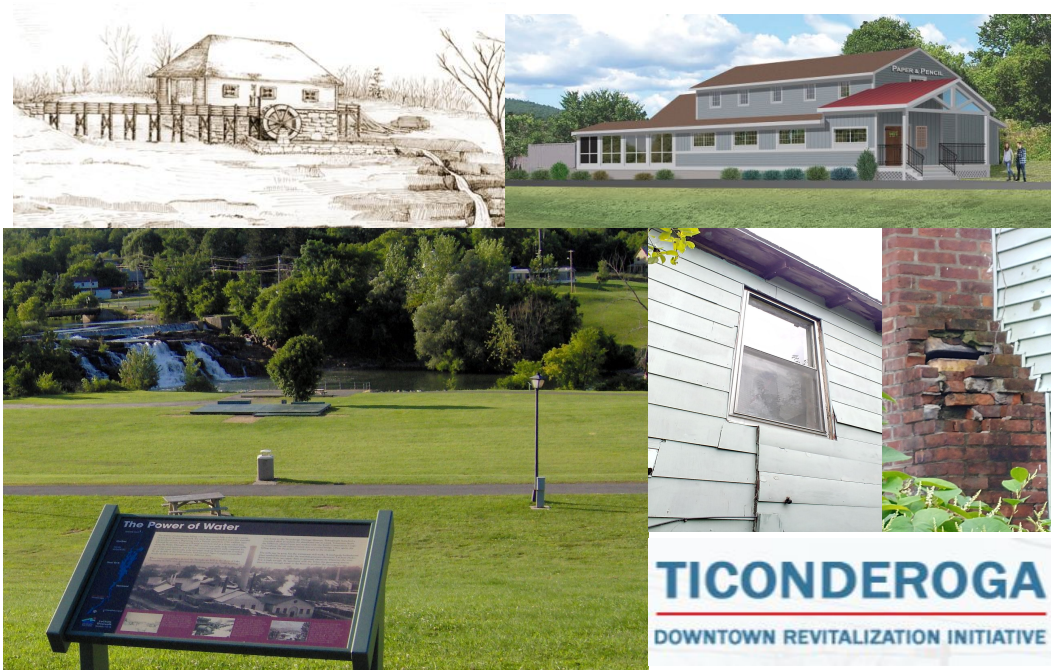
# Direct Project Funding

Over the Last 38 years

Total = \$10,622,728

## The Last 6 Years

● 2021-2022	\$ 140,000 (and counting)
● 2020-2021	\$ 863,225
● 2019-2020	\$ 806,000
● 2018-2019	\$ 100,000
● 2017-2018	\$ 31,444
● <u>2016-2017</u>	<u>\$ 952,051</u>
Total	\$ 2,892,720
Average	\$ 482,120/ year



**Average Revenue = \$136,585**

**Average Operating expenses = \$121,252 / yr.**

**Net Revenue dedicated to maintaining cash flow, and a Capitol Building Fund for PRIDE's long term resilience**



# Objectives For this Next Year

- *Complete all active grant programs*
- *Obtain funding to reconstruct the 18th Century Sawmill*
- *Attract greater funding for Downtown Revitalization through DRI*
- *Capacity building so PRIDE can do more*
- *Reboot Wine & Swine to Replenish Neighbors Helping Neighbors*
- *Create alternate plan for when our committed contractors retire*
- *Continue to improve office organization & efficiencies*
- *Re-engage with our members*
- *Support efforts to provide adequate housing*
- *Complete repairs to the PRIDE building*
- *Apply for Mobile Home Replacement grant funding*
- *Continue to be a great partner and leader for our area*

PRIDE's Service Area



MANY thanks to you, our members,  
for helping to make our efforts possible!



# Thanks to our Partners!



- New York State Department of Housing and Community Renewal



- New York State Rural Housing Coalition & Rural Advocates



- The Town of Ticonderoga



- Ticonderoga Area Chamber



- Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership

- Ti-Alliance



- Essex County IDA

- Essex County Community Resources Dept.

- Office for the Aging

- Essex County Health Department



- ROOST



- Homefront Development Corporation

- Housing Assistance Program of Essex County, Inc.

- RPC Clinton County

- ACAP



- Community Loan Fund



Beth Gilles, Executive Director



**LAKE CHAMPLAIN-LAKE GEORGE**

---

**REGIONAL  
PLANNING**