



Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council

FLREDC Public Meeting

Monroe Community College

February 1, 2024





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Community
College**

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OF NEW YORK



Executive Director Update (Last Meeting: 11/14/24)

FLREDC Member Updates:

Anthony Verno Jr., Chairman, Wayne County Board of Supervisors

Project/Event Announcement Highlights:

11/16/25 Round Five Winners of the Grow-NY Food and Agriculture Business Competition Announced

01/12/24 Grand Opening of Creation Technologies' \$22 Million State-of-the-Art Manufacturing Facility in Wayne County

01/16/24 Governor Hochul Announced Highlights of FY 2025 Budget

01/18/24 \$78 Million in Financial Assistance Announced for Water Infrastructure Improvement Projects in the Finger Lakes

01/22/24 \$228 Million in Federal Funding to Launch New York's ConnectALL Municipal Infrastructure Grant Program

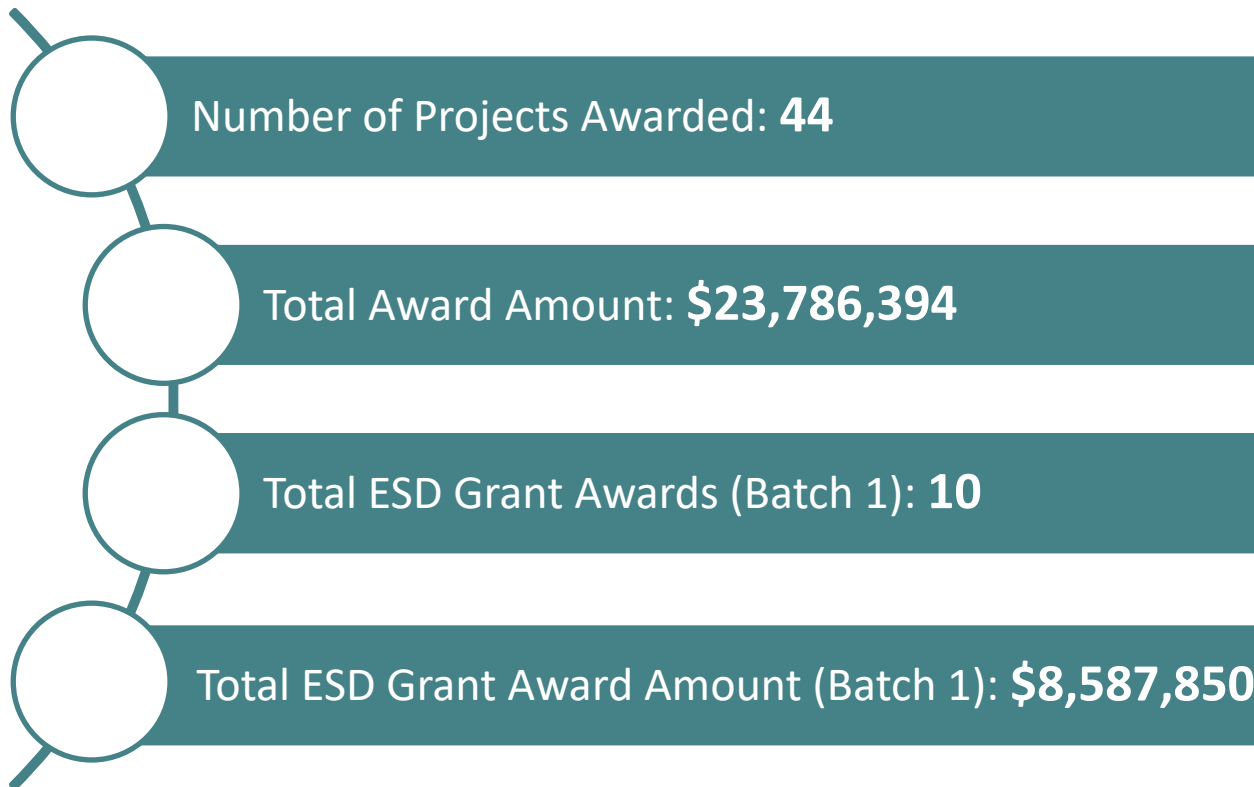


Executive Director Update (Last Meeting: 11/14/23) Continued

NYS Funding Opportunities:

- ESD Capital Grants Batch 4 – Applications Due 4/12/24 at 4pm
- FAST-NY – Shovel Ready Site Preparation - Rolling Applications
- Office of Strategic Workforce Development Grants – Application Materials Being Updated
- ConnectALL Municipal Broadband Infrastructure Program
 - Visit ***broadband.ny.gov*** for More Info
 - Virtual Information Session: Thursday, February 1st 1-2:30PM
 - Phase I Application Deadline: March 8th
- NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement and Intermunicipal Grant programs
 - Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) administers the WIIA and IMG programs
 - Applications and full eligibility criteria will be available at ***efc.ny.gov*** on February 5th

Finger Lakes REDC CFA Round 13 Recap



*This data is for
programs reviewed
and scored by REDCs*

Finger Lakes REDC CFA Round 13 Recap

Craft Beverage Micro Grant

- Total Number of Awards: **24**
- Total Award Amount: **\$1,098,033**

Not-for-Profit Capital Grant Program

- Total Number of Awards: **14**
- Total Award Amount: **\$1,092,207**

*REDCs did not score
these two programs*



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FY2024-25 NYS EXECUTIVE BUDGET
GOVERNOR **KATHY HOCHUL**
BUDGET DIRECTOR **BLAKE G. WASHINGTON**

PRESENTED BY **VINCENT ESPOSITO**
JANUARY, 2024



\$233 BILLION

OUR FY2025 STATE BUDGET

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\$6B INCREASE

+4.5% YEAR-OVER-YEAR

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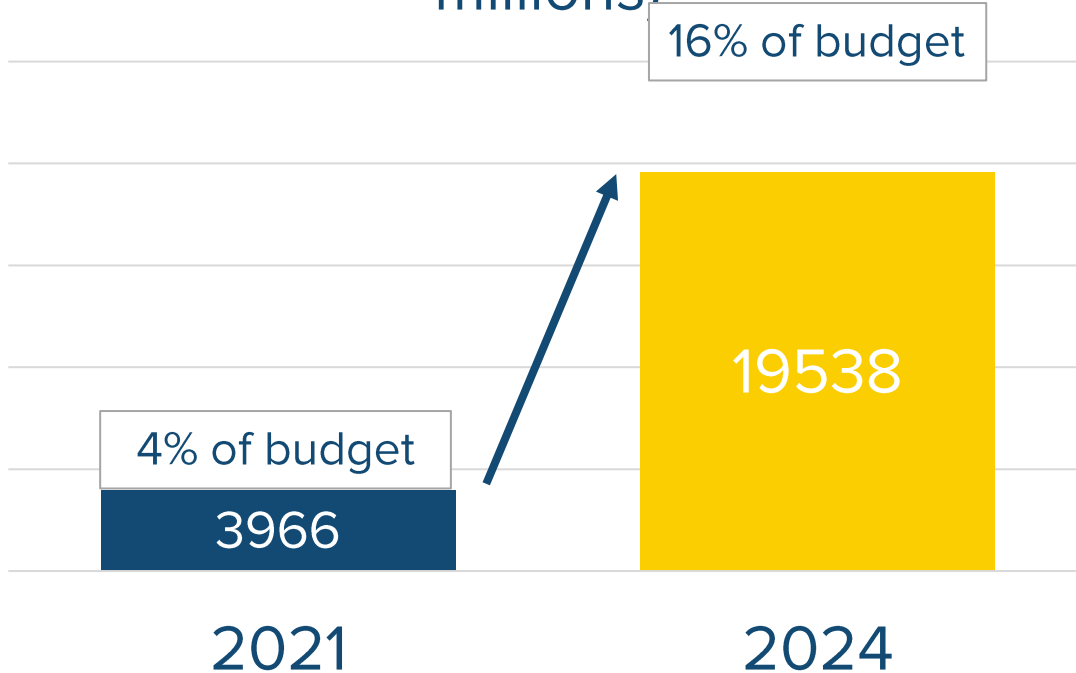
FY2025 PRIORITIES

- ✔ Take on stubborn categories of CRIME
- ✔ Rebuild our MENTAL HEALTH system
- ✔ Focus on CHILDREN & FAMILIES
- ✔ Improve AFFORDABILITY for all New Yorkers
- ✔ Advance HEALTHCARE initiatives
- ✔ Ensure ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS

FY2025 PRIORITIES

- ✔ Build on INFRASTRUCTURE progress
- ✔ Continue to combat CLIMATE CHANGE
- ✔ Investing in EDUCATION & MEDICAID
- ✔ Address MIGRANT CRISIS
- ✔ Make progress on HOUSING

State Financial Reserves (\$ millions)



**FINANCIAL
RESERVES ARE
STABILIZED**

**16% OF
FY 2025
BUDGET**

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FIGHTING CRIME

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INVESTMENTS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC

\$40M

Retail Theft

\$40M

**Domestic
Violence**

\$35M

Hate Crimes

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A photograph of a person with long brown hair, wearing a dark blue shirt, sitting and looking down. Two hands are placed on their shoulders, one from the left and one from the right, suggesting support or comfort. The person is wearing a ring on their left hand. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting. The entire image has a blue tint, and a large yellow wave shape is at the bottom.

MENTAL HEALTH

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\$4.8 BILLION

45% INCREASE FROM 2022

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MENTAL HEALTH INVESTMENTS

\$24M

**Criminal
Justice-related
Programs**

\$37M

**Street
Homeless
Population**

\$43M

**Supportive
Housing Units**

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\$55 MILLION

**200 NEW
INPATIENT BEDS**

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\$45 MILLION

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

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\$45 MILLION

FOR SERVICES AND
INDEPENDENT
LIVING
OPPORTUNITIES

\$6.7 MILLION

TO BECOME AN
EMPLOYMENT
FIRST STATE

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The background of the entire image is a dark blue gradient. Overlaid on this background is a faint, semi-transparent image of a blue pill bottle tilted to the left, with numerous white, round pills scattered around it. The pills are in various positions, some in the foreground and some further back, creating a sense of depth.

\$67 MILLION

TO COMBAT OPIOID EPIDEMIC

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A woman with brown hair, wearing a grey blazer, stands behind a large wooden table, smiling and gesturing towards a project. Four students, two boys and two girls, are gathered around the table. They are all wearing yellow sweatshirts with a black circular logo that reads "DUTCH BROADWAY LIONS LEGOS". The students are looking at the project with interest. On the table, there is a large map of a city, a small robot built from LEGO bricks, and other electronic components. The background shows a classroom setting with an American flag, a whiteboard, and various posters. The word "EDUCATION" is overlaid in large, bold, yellow capital letters.

EDUCATION

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A woman in a brown suit stands in a school hallway. In the background, several students are visible, some sitting on the floor and others standing. The scene is overlaid with a blue tint.

INCREASE SCHOOL AID \$825M STATEWIDE TO

\$35 BILLION

IN FINGER LAKES
INCREASING \$26M TO

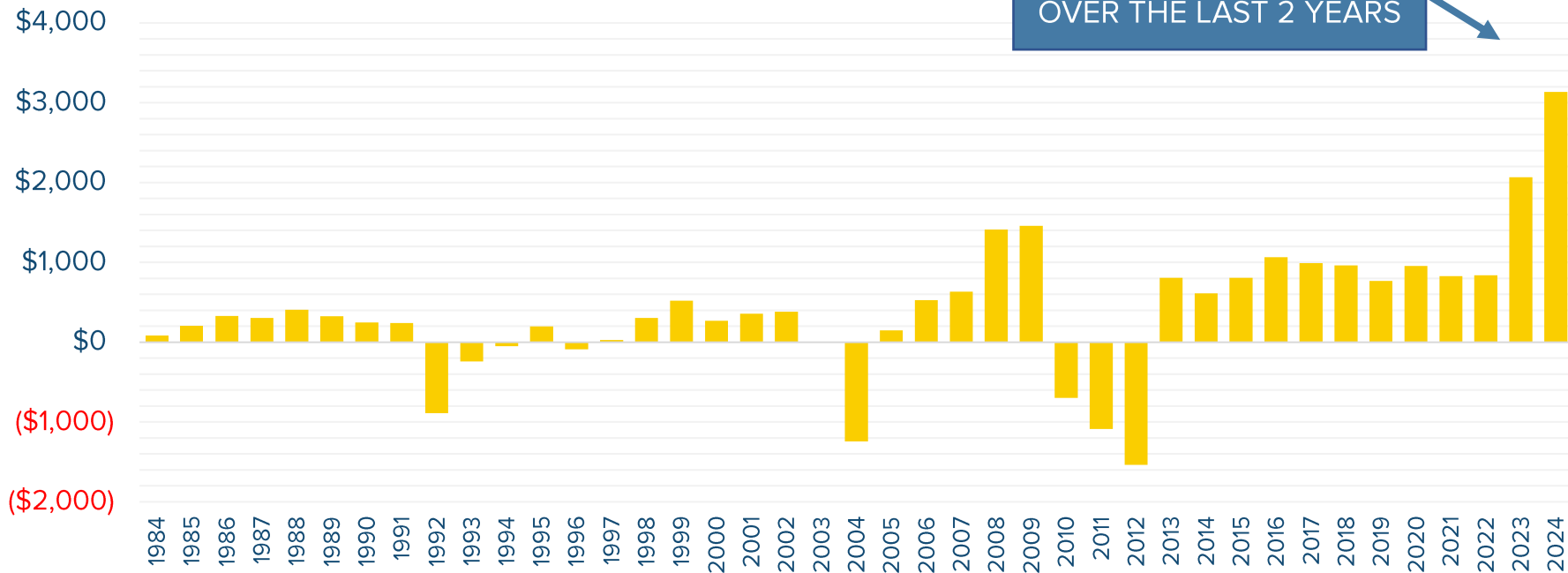
\$2.61 BILLION

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School Aid Executive Budget Changes, 1984-2024

(\$ millions)

\$5 BILLION INCREASE
OVER THE LAST 2 YEARS



\$10 MILLION

TO TRAIN 20,000
TEACHERS ON BACK
TO BASICS READING
PROGRAM

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HIGHER EDUCATION

\$207 MILLION

SUNY & CUNY
OPERATIONS

\$1.2 BILLION

CAPITAL PROJECTS

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HEALTHCARE

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11% INCREASE

WHILE SAVING \$1 BILLION ON MEDICAID

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FEDERAL FUNDS TOTALING

\$6 BILLION

FOR SERVICES, HOSPITALS,
& HEALTHCARE WORKERS

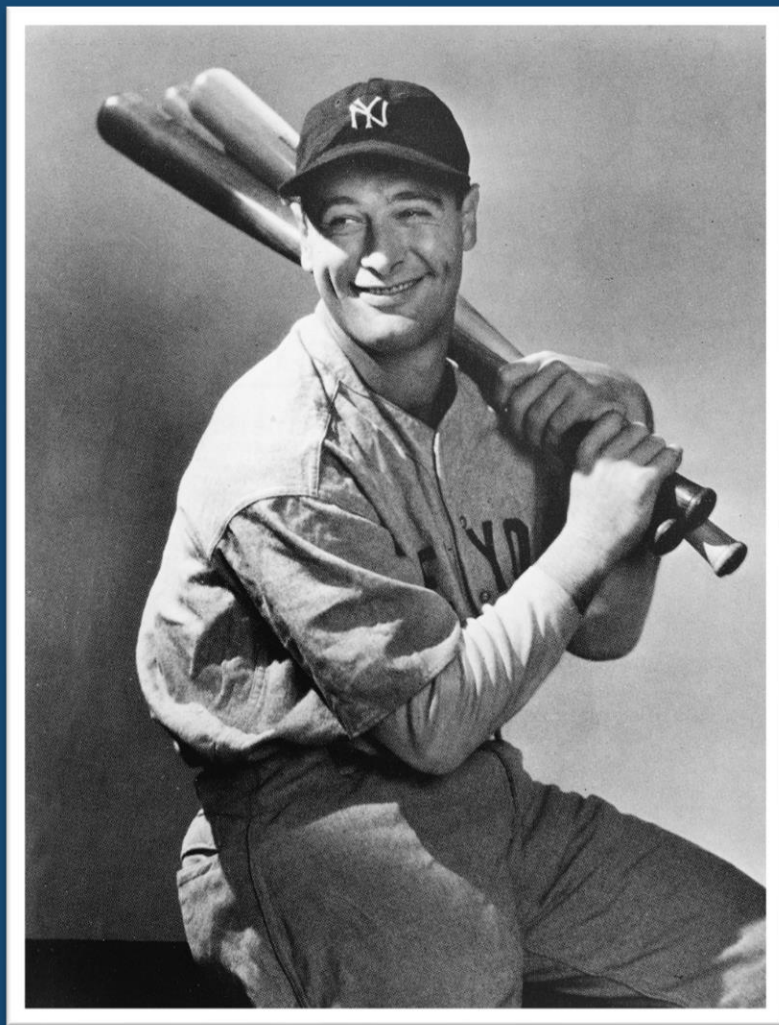
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\$25 MILLION

TO SUPPORT ALS RESEARCH

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A background image of a construction site with a worker on a rebar grid, overlaid with a blue tint. A large yellow wave shape is at the bottom.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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EMPIRE AI CONSORTIUM

\$250 MILLION

OF 10-YEAR \$275M INVESTMENT

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\$500 MILLION

HUB FOR ADVANCED CHIP
RESEARCH AT ALBANY NANOTECH

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The background of the image is a blue-tinted photograph of an industrial manufacturing facility. Several robotic arms, specifically Fanuc LR Mate 200iD models, are visible, mounted on overhead tracks. They are positioned over workstations that appear to be part of an automated assembly line. The floor is light-colored, and various cables and equipment are visible in the lower portion of the frame.

\$200 MILLION

FOUR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
CENTERS ALONG I-90

“ON-RAMP”

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REDC-RELATED PROPOSALS

- ✓ **REDC Round 14:** \$150M capital grants
- ✓ **DRI & NYF:** \$200M for city/village revitalization
- ✓ **FAST NY:** \$100M additional shovel-ready sites
- ✓ **RESTORE:** \$50M more to combat blight
- ✓ **County Partnership Grants:** \$50M



TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

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TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS

\$7.9B

**MTA operating
aid funding**

\$323M

**Upstate transit
systems**

\$551M

**Downstate non-
MTA transit
systems**

The background of the entire image is a photograph of a dense forest with tall, thin trees and green foliage. A semi-transparent blue overlay covers the entire image. At the bottom, there is a solid yellow wave-like shape that curves upwards from the left and right sides, meeting in the center.

ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE

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A background image of a dense forest with tall, thin trees, overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

\$47 MILLION

**TO PLANT 25 MILLION
TREES BY 2033**

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ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTMENTS

- ✔ **\$400M** Environmental Protection Fund
- ✔ **\$100M** superfund cleanup
- ✔ **\$500M** clean water over two years

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\$435 MILLION RESILIENCY FUNDS

INCLUDING \$250M FOR
VOLUNTARY BUYOUTS
IN FLOOD-PRONE
AREAS

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\$160 MILLION

NY SWIMS: POOLS, LIFEGUARDS,
AND SWIM LESSONS

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An aerial photograph of a dense urban landscape, likely New York City, featuring a mix of low-rise and high-rise buildings. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter. A large, bold, yellow wavy shape curves across the bottom of the frame. The word "HOUSING" is prominently displayed in the center in a bright yellow, bold, sans-serif font.

HOUSING

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BUILDING NYC HOUSING

- ✔ New tax incentive for development
- ✔ Extended eligibility for 421-a projects
- ✔ Incentives for converting office buildings
- ✔ Eliminating restrictions on residential density
- ✔ Pathway to legalizing basement apartments

STATEWIDE HOUSING

- ✓ Requiring “pro-housing” designation for localities to access **\$650M+** in funds
- ✓ **\$500M** to build **15,000** units on state-owned land
- ✓ Continue 5-year, **\$25B** plan to build **100,000** homes

\$2.4 BILLION

TO HELP MANAGE THE
MIGRANT CRISIS
(INCLUDING \$500M
FROM RESERVES)

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FIGHTING UPSTATE POVERTY

\$50 MILLION

INCLUDING \$25M FOR
AREAS WITH HIGH RATES OF CHILD POVERTY
WITHIN THE CITY OF ROCHESTER

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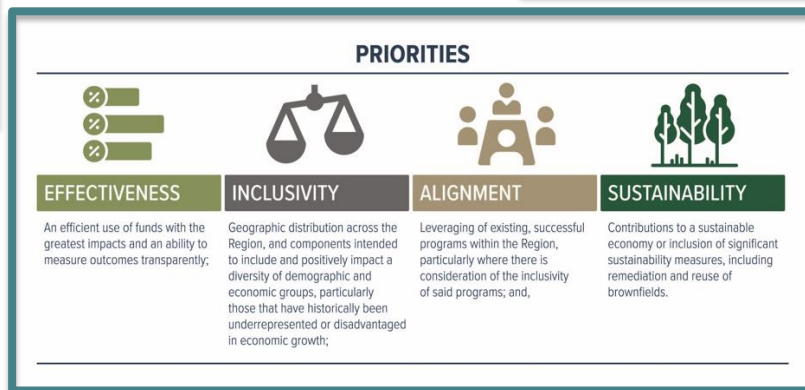
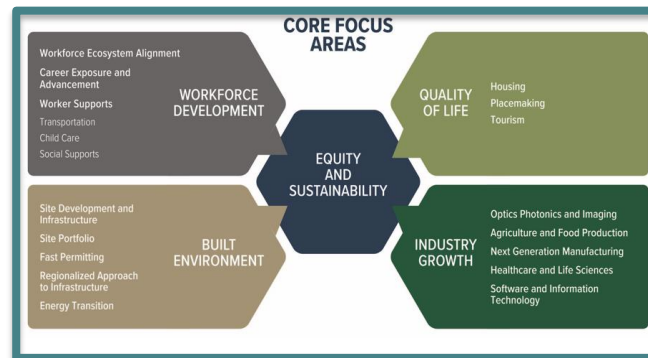
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STRATEGY MAP								
VISION A future where the Region's knowledge-based economy enables all people, communities, businesses, and ecosystems to thrive at rates that lead the nation.			MISSION Be a state and national leader in sustainable and equitable economic development			PRIORITIES <div>  EFFECTIVENESS  INCLUSIVITY  ALIGNMENT  SUSTAINABILITY </div>		
TOPICS	TARGET AREAS	PEOPLE	COMMUNITIES	BUSINESSES	WORKERS	COMMERCIAL DEVELOPERS	STARTUPS	INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historically-excluded populations Diversity (BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, Disability) Socioeconomic mobility Talent retention and attraction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban Suburban Rural 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optics, Photonics, and Imaging Food Production and Agriculture Next Generation Manufacturing Healthcare and Life Sciences Software and Information Technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ecosystem Alignment Career Exposure and Advancement Worker Supports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residential Industrial Office/Healthcare Retail Brownfield/Historic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NextCorps Luminate Grow-NY The Commissary Cornell AgriTech 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal Tech Hub Designation DoD/DoE/NSF Award Clusters Excell Partners The REMADE Institute SBR Clusters
CORE FOCUS AREAS	QUALITY OF LIFE	Enhance access and availability to affordable "live/play" supports	Enhance community vibrancy through placemaking projects	Enhance and leverage community assets to attract new talent	Increase availability and access to affordable housing options	Encourage development with a focus on responsible and sustainable use	Leverage quality of life to attract, retain, and support early-stage companies	Leverage quality of life to attract, retain, and support world-class R&D talent
	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	Expand access and availability of affordable skills attainment and career pathways	Increase integration between community assets (e.g. public libraries) and regional workforce initiatives	Connect and accelerate employers' recruitment, hiring, and retention through regional workforce supports	Ensure social supports to expand access to career and skill pathways	Invest in expanded career pathways for construction/building trades	Expand and diversify the talent pipeline and training resources available and affordable to startups	Unify high-demand skill sets across private, public, non-profit, and academic partners in the Region
	BUILT ENVIRONMENT	Regionalize infrastructure development to promote both expansion and cost effectiveness	Ensure community infrastructure meets current and future needs	Ensure regional infrastructure and local development can support critical requirements for attraction/expansion	Increase access to reliable, affordable broadband throughout the Region	Ensure regional infrastructure and local development can support critical requirements (time/cost)	Target and expand infrastructure and supports to aid early-stage growth requirements	Catalyze assets (e.g., UR LLE, RIT NanoLab, URMQ) with new investment to attract more R&D commercialization
	INDUSTRY GROWTH	Enable more access and availability of high-quality jobs with career pathways to earn at and beyond a living wage	Support communities in development opportunities to foster attraction and expansion of strategic industries	Identify, activate, and support growth within Region's strategic industry sectors	Align workforce development priorities to the near- and long-term needs of Region's industry sectors	Optimize Region's consumer and industry pipeline to balance supply and demand of in-Region development	Maintain and augment alignment of startup opportunities to Region's strategic industry sectors	Improve tech transfer and IP development to yield greater commercialization

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While the final consideration and selection of projects would be considered upon award of the Challenge Proposal funding, the tables below outline the identified FLREDC Challenge Proposal projects, and each are detailed on the following pages.

<p>1</p> <h3>Implementing a Workforce Development Ecosystem in the FL Region</h3> <p>Implement a 2-year project to develop a baseline workforce development ecosystem that supports both providers and community members.</p> <p>THEMES</p> <p>Ecosystem: collaboration, transparency & performance metrics, cross-sector knowledge transfer.</p> <p>LEVERAGE</p> <p>Existing investment in and infrastructure of the MyWayfinder system.</p>	<p>2</p> <h3>Scaling HyFlex Education for Smart Work Force</h3> <p>Address need for adaptable technical workers across entire high-tech ecosystem. HyFlex scheduling creates opportunity across the Region and allows adult participants to continue working while learning.</p> <p>THEMES</p> <p>Career exposure & advancement: K-12, underemployed, learn & earn.</p> <p>LEVERAGE</p> <p>FLCC facilities, FLCC efforts with regional school districts to acquire HyFlex equipment for distance learning, & additional funding sources.</p>	<p>3</p> <h3>Good Jobs Finger Lakes</h3> <p>Multi-sector collaboration to expand the workforce pipeline through new and expanded curriculum offerings, career pathways and social support programs, and tailored outreach, recruitment, and engagement in the community.</p> <p>THEMES</p> <p>Worker training & supports: team & earn, transportation, social supports, housing development.</p> <p>LEVERAGE</p> <p>Existing CCDBG, WIOA, and operating budgets of the backbone organizations.</p>
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2024 FLREDC Member Priorities & Goals



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Regional Economic
Development Council**

2024 FLREDC Workplan Highlights

Jan 31	ESD Grants Round 13 Batch 3 Applications Due (midnight), scoring to follow
Apr 25	Save The Date: DRI/NY Forward FLX Forum (<i>Time & Location TBD</i>)
Apr 12	ESD Grants Round 13 Batch 4 Applications Due (4pm), scoring to follow
Jun 6	FLREDC Public Meeting 10am-12pm (<i>Location TBD</i>)
<i>Late Summer</i>	FLREDC Public Meeting (<i>Time and Location TBD</i>)
Dec 5	FLREDC Public Meeting 1pm-3pm (<i>Location TBD</i>)



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