



The Liaison

Housing Partners Review Responses to Request for Proposals

Four applications requesting \$11.4 million to build 1,179 housing units were submitted in response to the Notice of Funding Availability through the Community Rental Housing Program. Approximately \$7.0 million in subordinate financing was advertised to help address the 1,035 unit gap in rental housing needs in the region. Six developers attended the June 9th pre-submission conference. Proposals were due by August 9th, 2011.



The developers and their projects include:

- COR Development Co., Fayetteville,
 - 305 apartments in seven buildings south of Target in its Towne Center, Route 3
- Morgan Management, Rochester,
 - 394 units north of Sam's Club on Route 202.
- Dawn Homes Management, Albany,
 - 330 units for Phases 1 and 2 in the projected three phase project of 402 units located behind Wal-Mart on Route 11 in the town of LeRay.
- Fidelity American Holdings Corp., Laguna Niguel, Calif.,
 - 150 units off Gould Corners Road north of the Eagle Ridge development and west of the proposed Dawn Homes project.

The Community Rental Housing Program Committee which includes representatives from the Development Authority of the North Country, Jefferson County and the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency in addition to FDRLO will review the proposals and award contracts based on the developers' bids. It is hoped that preliminary awards could be announced at the FDRLO's September 8th Board Meeting.



Congratulations, Farewell and Welcome Back

On August 3rd we received word that Secretary of Defense Leon E. Panetta had announced the President has made the following nomination: Army Maj. Gen. James L. Terry, for appointment to the rank of lieutenant general and for assignment as commanding general, V Corps, U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army. Terry is currently serving as the commanding general, 10th Mountain Division (Light), Fort Drum, N.Y.

The following day, word was received that former 10th Mountain Division 2nd BCT Commander, Maj. Gen. Mark A. Milley, currently serving as deputy director for regional operations, J-3, The Joint Staff, Washington, D.C., has been named to succeed MG Terry as the new commanding general, 10th Mountain Division (Light) and Fort Drum, Fort Drum, N.Y.

We have also learned that CSM Christopher Greca, Command Sergeant Major, 10th Mountain Division has been selected as the Command Sergeant Major of the United States Army Combined Arms Center (CAC), Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. CSM John F. McNeirney is also transferring to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri to become the 11th Military Police Corps, Regimental Command Sergeant Major.

Climb to Glory

North Country Regional Council to Coordinate Economic Development in Seven County Region

On July 28th, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo launched his North Country Regional Economic Development Council. The mission of the ten councils created across New York State is to redesign the relationship between the state government and businesses to stimulate regional economic development and create jobs statewide.

The North Country Regional Council will be led by Anthony "Tony" Collins, President of Clarkson University, and Garry Douglas, President of the North Country Chamber of Commerce, who will both serve as Regional Co-Chairs. Carl A. McLaughlin, Executive Director of FDRLO, was appointed as a General Member.

The Regional Council will coordinate the economic development of Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties. Other members of the North Country Regional Council are:

Bridget Hart, President, Kinney Drugs,
John Martin, Operations Director, Alcoa Inc.
Donna Wadsworth, Communications Director, International Paper Company - Ticonderoga Mill
Jon Greenwood, Dairy Farmer/Former VP of NYS Farm Bureau
Daniel Wilt, Pres of Wilt Industries
Lisa Weber, CEO, Timeless Frames and Timeless Decor
John R. Donoghue, President, Plattsburgh-Saranac Lake Building and Construction Trades Council
Dr. John Ettling, President, SUNY Plattsburgh
Cali Brooks, Executive Director, Adirondack Community Trust (ACT)
Mark E. Tryniski, President & CEO, Community Bank
Ron Davis, Plant Manager, Agri-Mark/McCadam Cheese Company
Terry Gach, Vice President Institutional Advancement, Trudeau Institute
James W. Wright, Executive Director, Development Authority of the North Country
Kate Fish, Executive Director, Adirondack North Country Association
Anne L. Merrill, Executive Director, Lewis County Chamber of Commerce
William P. Murray, Executive Director, Council for International Trade, Technology, Education and Communication
James McKenna, President & CEO, Lake Placid Convention and Visitors Bureau/Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism
Adoré Flynn Kurtz, President & CEO, The Development Corporation of Clinton County

Elected officials will serve in an ex-officio basis and will participate in discussions and the planning process. For the North Country Regional Council, this includes:

Chairman of Jefferson County Legislature
Chairman of Clinton County Legislature
Chairman of St. Lawrence County Legislature
Chairman of Franklin County Legislature
Chairman of Essex Board of Supervisors
Chairman of Hamilton Board of Supervisors
Chairman of Lewis Board of Supervisors
Mayor of the City of Watertown
Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh
Town Supervisor of Potsdam