

***TOWN OF ERWIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
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**2015-2016 REPORT ON OPERATIONS**

The mission of the Town of Erwin Community Development Agency is to continue to undertake projects that improve the quality of life for the citizens of the Town. These projects will include the support of job creation and the expansion of local businesses, as well as the improvement of public infrastructure. The Agency will continue to secure and manage resources to improve the social, physical and economic characteristics of the Town by strengthening neighborhoods and the local economy, and supporting other community activities.

In furtherance of its mission, in 2015, the Agency completed construction of the Transportation Enhancement Program Grant (TEP), and a Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) Grant for the Gang Mills Sidewalk and Bike Lane Project. This included the new sidewalk in the Erwin Park Innovation Complex (EPIC<sup>®</sup>), and widening of Robert Dann drive shoulder, as well as a new crossing light at Erwin Valley School, and other widening and guiderail work to enhance safety..

In 2011, the Agency wrote a grant for financial assistance from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) in furtherance of the Coopers Plains-Long Acres Sewer Extension Project, and in 2012 was awarded \$4,785,774 in CWSRF interest-free financing. This is in addition to the \$5,000,000 grant already awarded from the Water Quality Improvement Program. In 2015, project design was complete and approved by the funding agencies and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Construction began in 2015, and this \$9.8 million project is expected to be fully operational in 2016.

In 2015, the Agency partnered with counties and municipalities in the Southern Tier Regional Economic Development Council to create the I-86 Innovation Corridor Strategic Action Plan, which became the basis of the Upstate Revitalization Initiative (URI) competition. The Southern Tier's URI \$117 million award will allow the Agency to further its mission and it is actively involved in the Vibrant Communities component of the grant.