

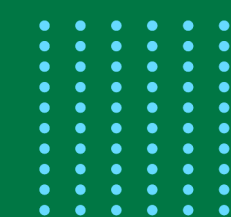


# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2022

Warren County

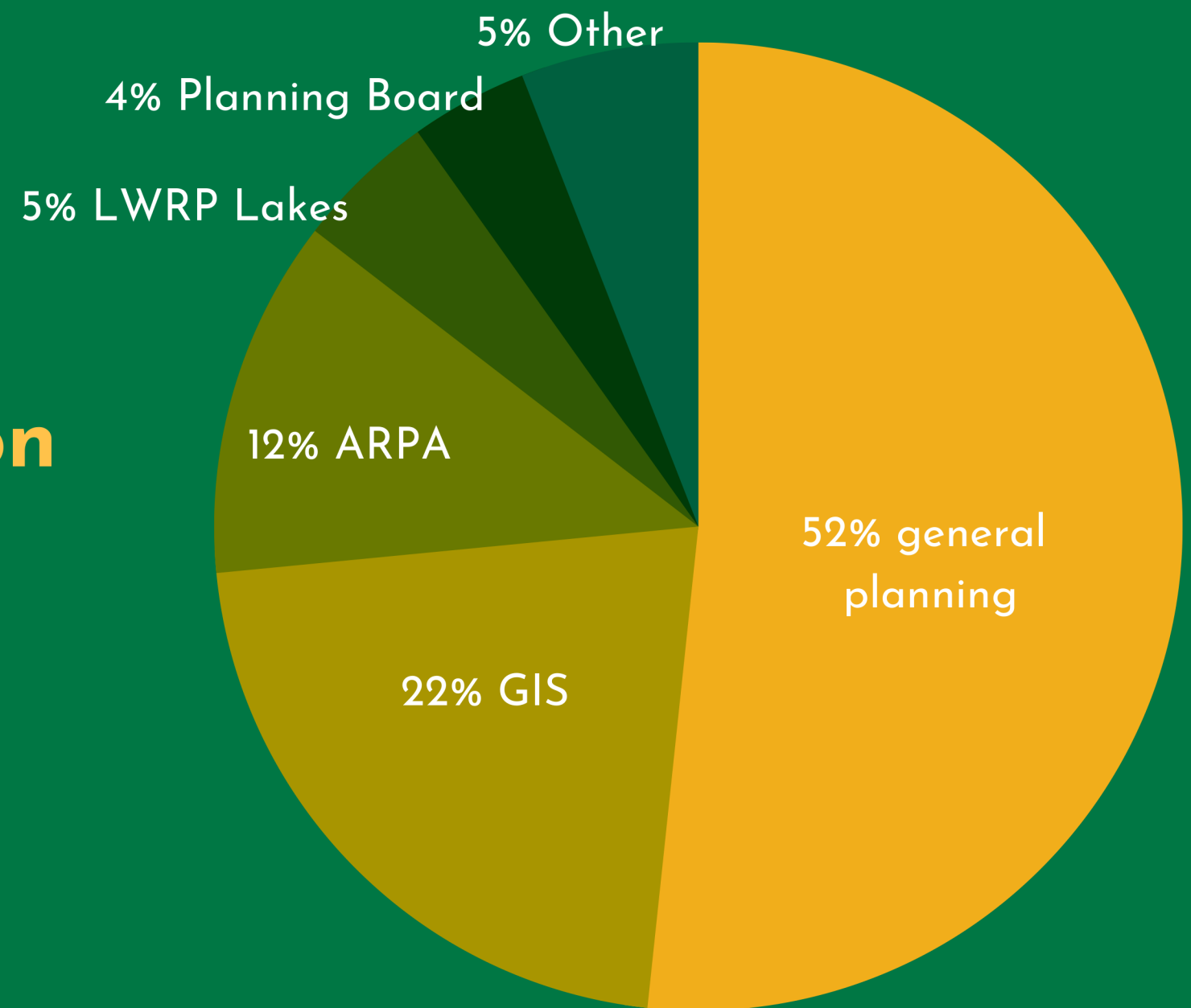
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# BY THE NUMBERS



## 2022 Staff Time Distribution



**\$795k** grant money received

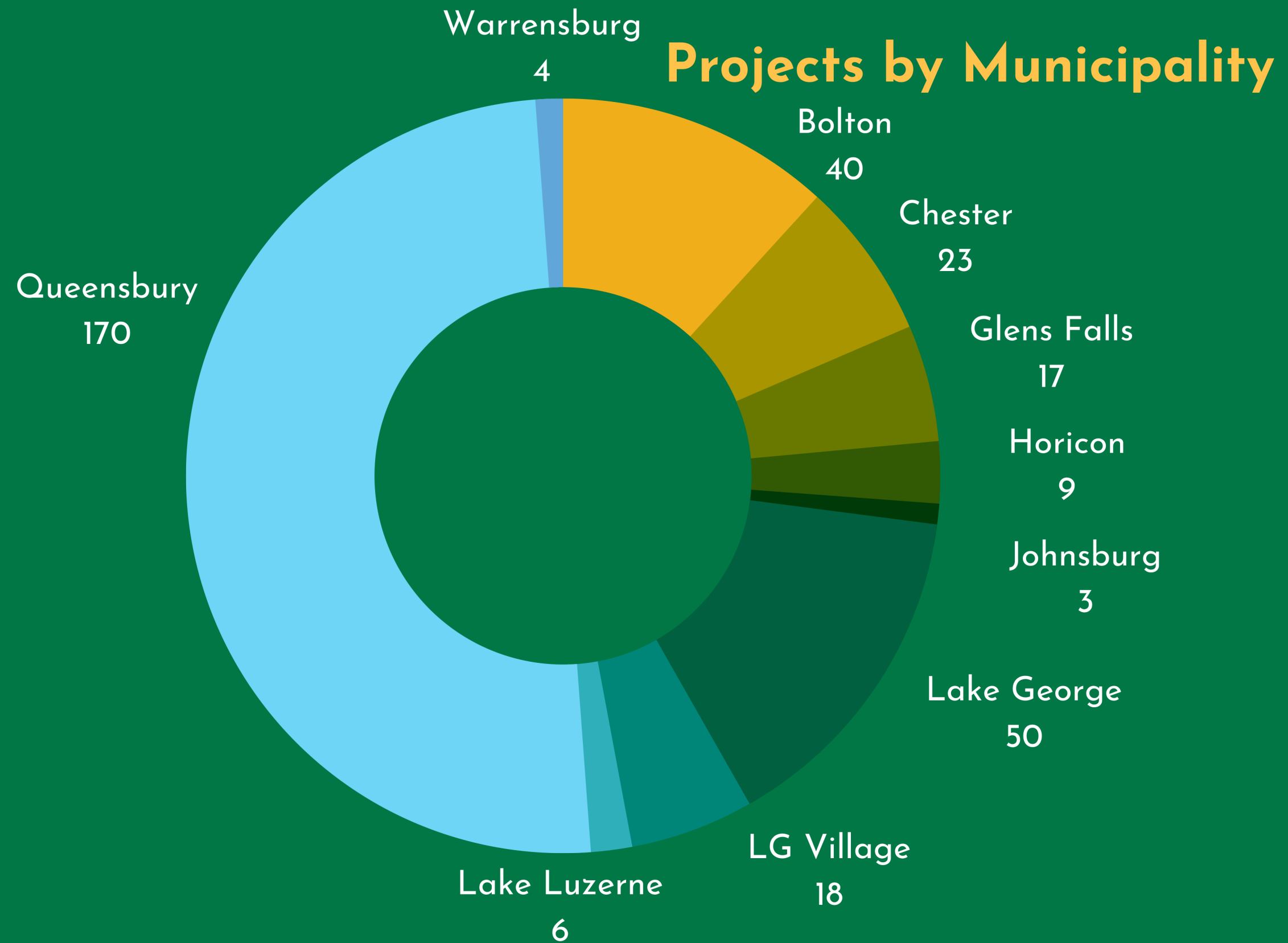
**\$12m** grant money allocated

**6** full-time staff

**2** part-time staff

# COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY

Up **32** projects over 2021  
Highest number since 2017



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## COUNTRYSIDE

\$2 million secured for repairs. Construction underway - scheduled to be completed by August 2023.



## POTTERSVILLE WATER DISTRICT

Grant funded engineering study underway - will be completed Spring 2023.



## FAIR HOUSING PLAN

New plan written by staff and adopted by the board in November.



## HOUSING STUDY

Underway, will be completed this Spring.



## SEPTIC INITIATIVES

Administration of 2 DEC septic grants for Lake George totalling nearly \$975k. 31 failing septic systems were replaced in 2022.



## LG COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED ACTION PLAN

Worked with LCLGRP to develop plan to protect Lake George Watershed.



## WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

Staff work with other groups involved with understanding and promoting water quality.



## AQUATIC INVASIVES

Administered grant funded boat inspections and milfoil harvesting, kicked off new Schroon Lake grant. Managed GPS milfoil data collection

## PLANNING AND PROGRAMS

# PROTECTING OUR LAKES



**PLANNING AND PROGRAMS**

**ASSISTANCE TO**

# **LCLG REGIONAL PLANNING BOARD**



**GIS assistance for  
Quantifying  
Phosphorous  
Reduction project**



**Assistance with  
updating the region's  
Comprehensive  
Economic  
Development Strategy**



**Development of  
economic and  
demographic  
dashboards**



**Assistance with  
review of FCC's  
Broadband data**

PLANNING AND PROGRAMS  
**TRANSPORTATION**



**Assistance to A/GFTC**



**Trail Connectivity Study**



**Rural Workforce  
Transportation Plan**

# 2022 Awards



### Non-profits

37 projects  
\$2.57 million



### Small Businesses

10 projects  
\$463,000



### Gov't Services

12 projects  
\$6.12 million



### Mental Health

2 projects  
\$1.07 million



### Other Projects

17 projects  
\$1.5 million

2 staff members on ARPA Committee

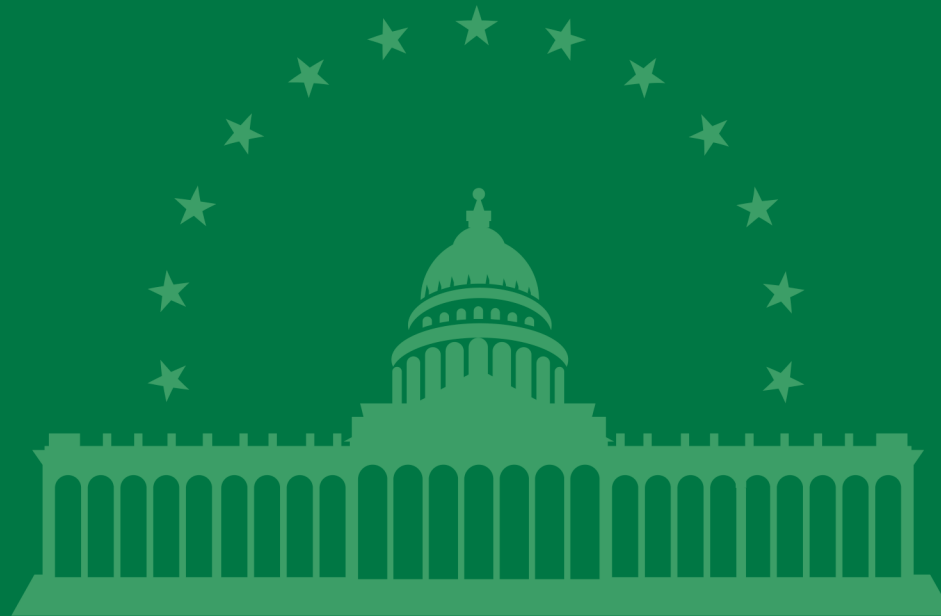
Additional staff support operations of the committee: 1,114 hours of staff time on ARPA in 2022

Staff supported the application process and preparation of materials for meetings

Staff work with recipients and Attorney, Treasurer and Administrator to ensure legality of spending and that all reporting requirements are met

## PLANNING AND PROGRAMS

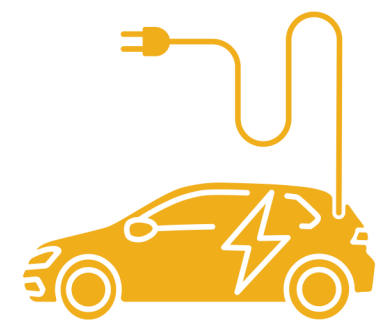
# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT





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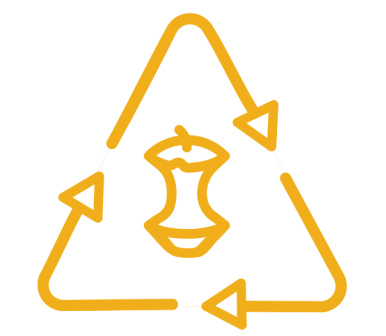
# CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES



**EV Fleet  
Initiative**



**Municipal Center  
Energy Audit**



**Organics  
Management  
Plan**

## PLANNING AND PROGRAMS

# LETTERBOXING



## Historians' Challenge

## First Wilderness

4,000 passports distributed

100+ finishers

"We saw and appreciated many interesting places we would not have seen otherwise. Thank you for providing this excellent way to explore the area." - Janet and Beverly

"Thank you! We have LOVED completing this during our extended school year program with special ed kids! - Glens Falls School District

"It was a fun challenge and very interesting. Perfect excuse for hiking trails I'd always wanted to go on and never got around to. Thank you for the experience." - Elaine

"Our troops came up to do their letterboxing badge. It was a great time and enjoyable. Thank you for the fun adventure." - Sandy Creek/Pulaski Girl Scouts

"Thank you for the fun time. We saw many places we would have never known about." - John and Lucinda

"Thank you so much for this wonderful activity. We saw so many places that I didn't even know were around...We heard such a positive response from everyone participating and they all loved the adventure, as did we." - Jeff

"Our family and neighbors - of all ages - have enjoyed this activity SO MUCH this summer and we hope you continue with new locations." - Linda

"We enjoyed completing the process very much and it took us to some really nice places that we never otherwise would have known about, even though we've lived in Warren County for 30 years." - Scott

"My family and I had such a blast working on acquiring the stamps...It was a fabulous summertime activity and fun for all. Our family is large ranging in age from 83 years down to two years old. We all had fun with it...we can't wait to do more next summer!" - Carol

# STORIES FROM OPEN SPACE

Supporting Cultural and Heritage Tourism in the First Wilderness



Warren County Story Cloud



Exploring the Three Lakes



Warren County's First People



Warren County Historians' Challenge Audio Tour

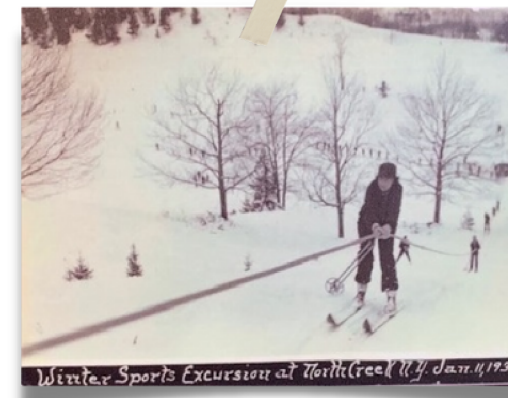


Warren County's Underground Railroad

Ancient Windows of the Earth



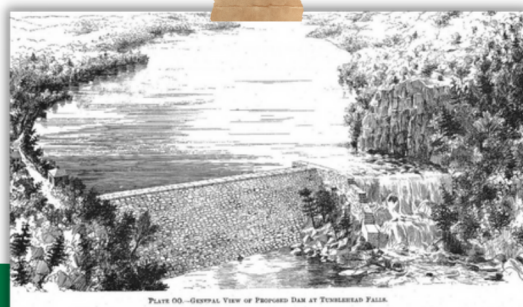
First Wilderness Film Series



How Skiing Came to North Creek



Rafting the Hudson

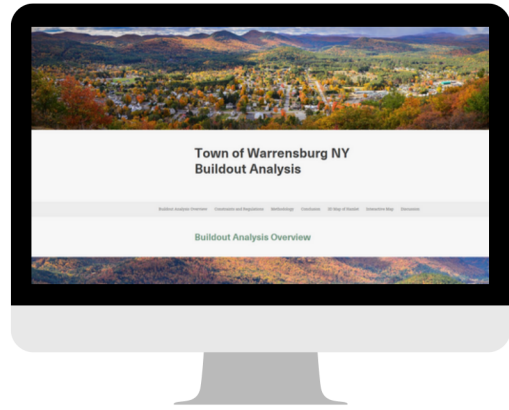


A Dam We're Glad Never Happened

# GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS

# 2022: MAPS AND

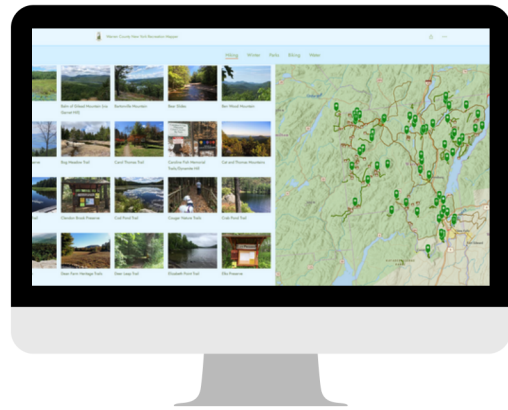
# APPS



### Warrensburg Buildout Analysis



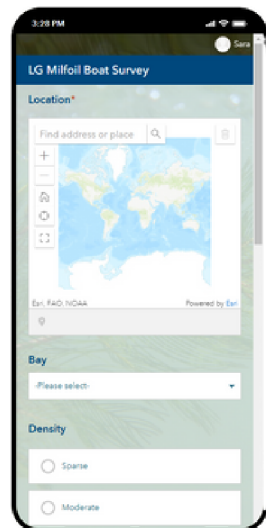
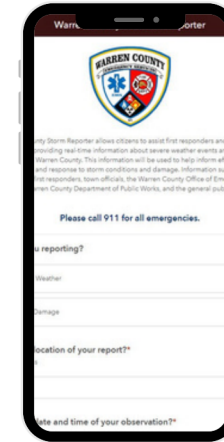
### Demographic Dashboards



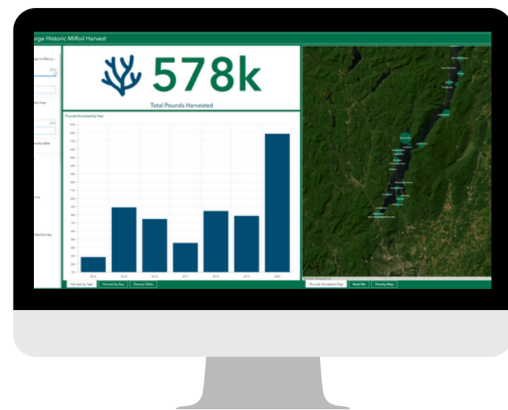
### Recreation Mapper Update



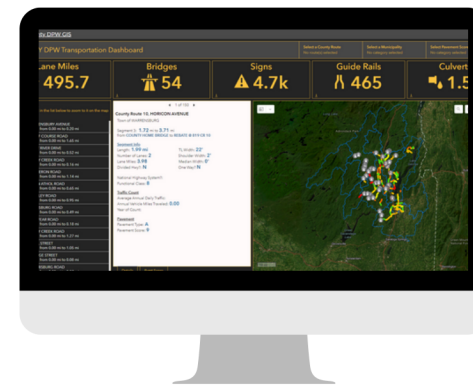
### Citizen Reports



### Milfoil Field Data Collection and Dashboards



### Infrastructure Mapping



## Warren County GIS Hub

[warrencountyny.gov/gis](http://warrencountyny.gov/gis)

**592,000 site visits** to the department's dozen most widely used apps

LOOKING FORWARD

# WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA FOR 2023



Outdoor  
Recreation  
Economy  
Strategic  
Plan



Countywide  
Comprehensive  
Plan



Bikeway  
Connectivity  
Study



GIS  
Needs  
Assessment



Schroon  
Lake  
Aquatic  
Invasives  
Initiative

1977-2022

LOOKING BACK

# A Brief History of the Planning Department



## Three main program areas:



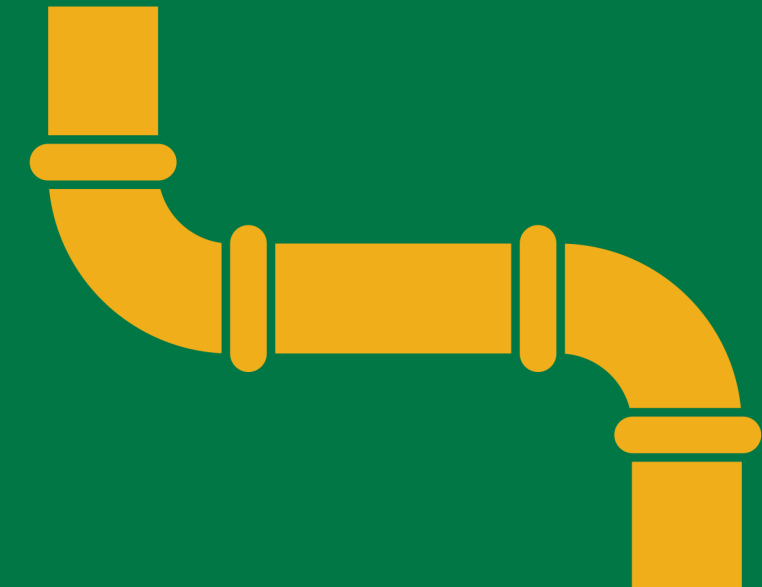
### Housing Assistance

Total grant funding: **\$17.3 million**  
Private financing: **\$3.3 million**



### Economic Development

Total grant funding: **\$5.1 million**



### Improvement to Public Resources

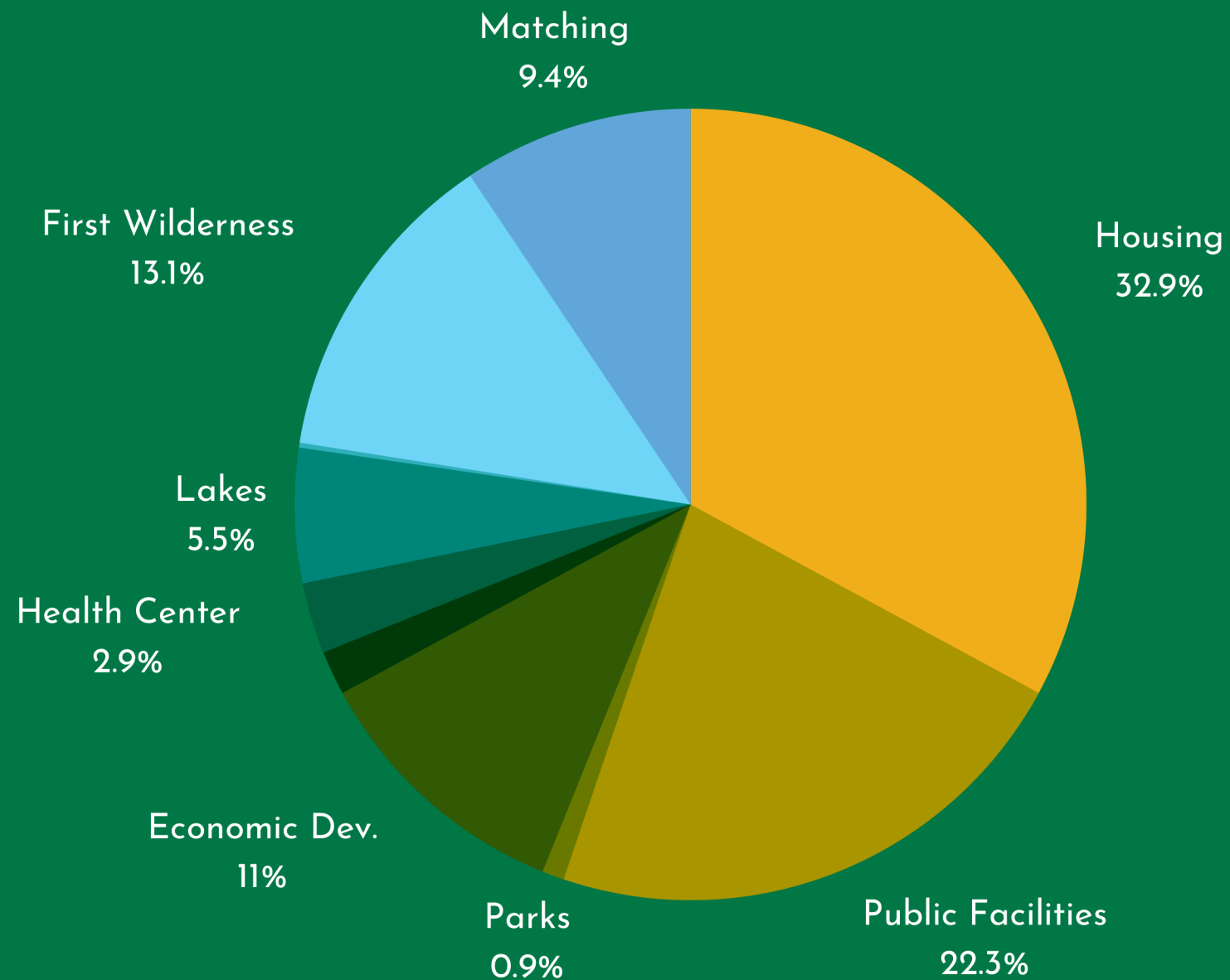
Total grant funding: **\$11.4 million**

# LOOKING BACK: BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## Funding by Community: All Sources



## Funding by Program Area





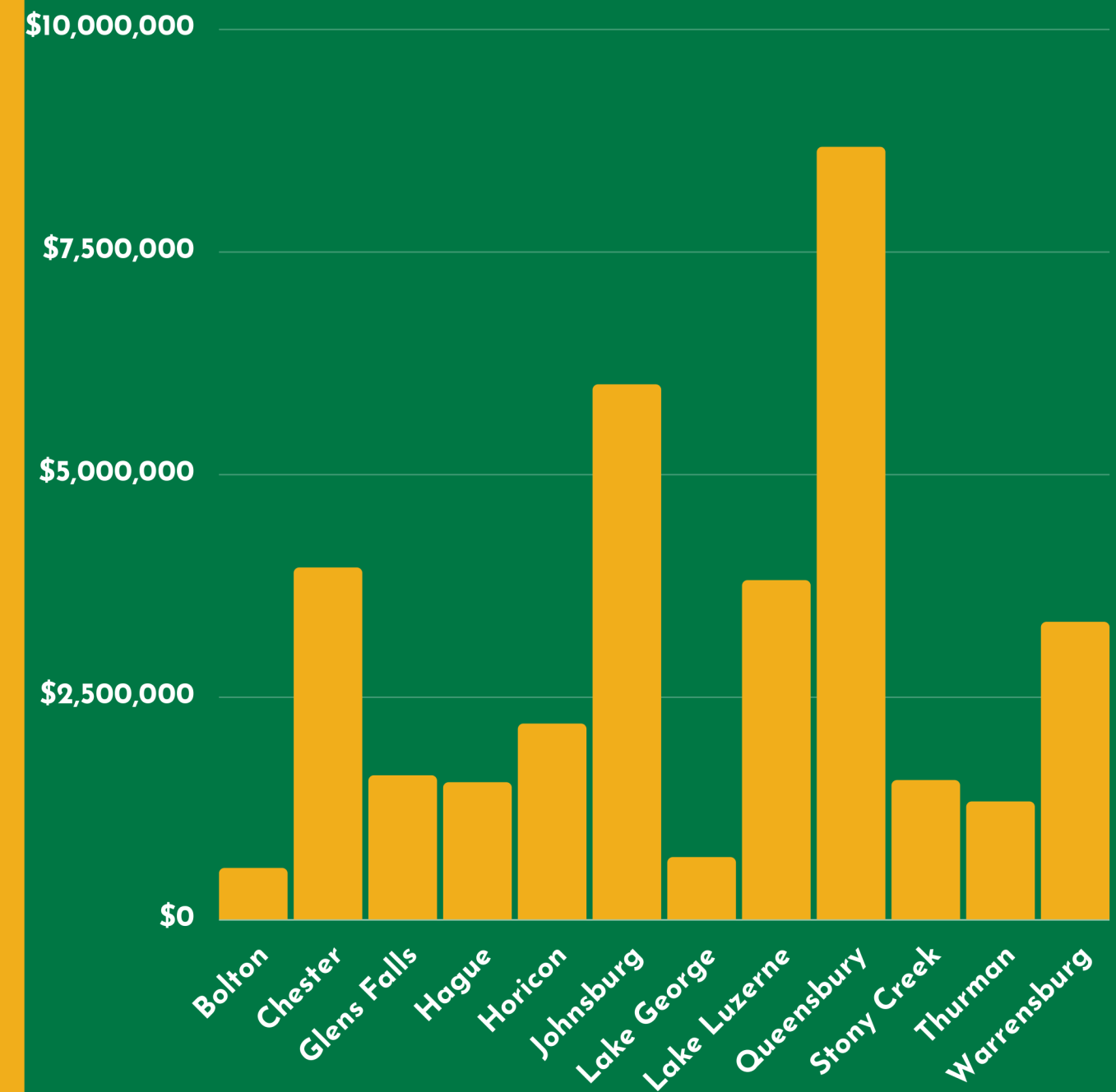
Rehab:

**1,934** units

New Construction:

**66** low-income units

1977-2010:  
administered  
**\$15.5 million**  
in rehab and first  
time homebuyer  
assistance





**\$2.5 million**

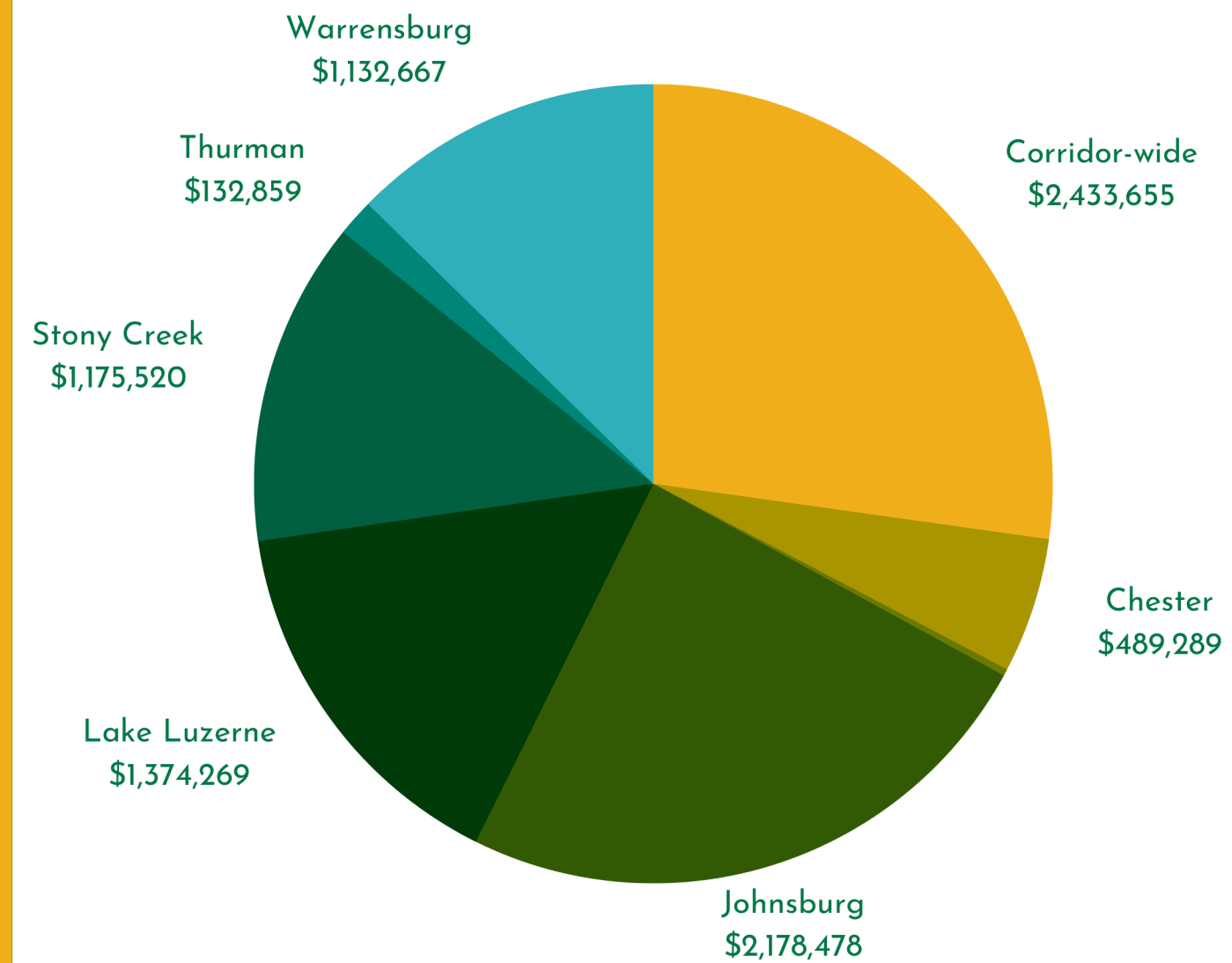
in grant funding for Westmount, Countryside, and health centers in Warrensburg, Chestertown and Queensbury

**\$8.9 million**

in grant funding for plans, studies, and public infrastructure improvements in the First Wilderness



## First Wilderness Investment



## LOOKING BACK: BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT



**\$5.1 million**

in Economic

Development funding to  
assist with expansion or  
development of local  
businesses.

**42 staff**



**113 grant awards**

**\$36,444,186**

**total grant funding**