

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – May 2022

Kinderhook Business Overview

Newly Opened Since April 2022 [3]:

El Toro Mexican Restaurant - Albany Avenue

Pizzeria - Hudson Street

The Kinderhook Bottle Shop - The Knitting Mill on Hudson Street

Opening Spring/Summer 2022 [3]:

2 Note, The Nest, September Gallery - The Knitting Mill

Under Construction: Old Dutch Inn and Three Sisters Tavern

Sale Completed [1]:

59 Broad Street (former Carolina House)

Vacant Commercial/Mixed Use: [3]

1 Chatham Street, 6 Broad Street, 59 Broad Street

Partially Occupied Commercial/Mixed Use: [2]

5 Hudson Street, 12 Broad Street

Priority Long-term Economic Development Projects

1. Van Buren Hall Renovation and Grant Funding
2. Bandstand Renovation and Grant Funding

Current Promotion Projects Under Development

1. GeoTourist “Kinderhook Village Square and Beyond Walking Tour” app
Projected Completion: June 2022. Scripts and photography completed. Script narration recordings first round completed. Second-round, final revised narrations to be recorded second week of June.
Grant: Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area
2. “Greetings from Kinderhook” - Two-Sided Tourism/ Visitor Rack Card [Berkshire Brochure Distribution and Potential On-Screen Ad]
Projected Completion: June 2022. Graphics finalized. Ready to print and distribute.
3. “Mills Park” - Tri-fold brochure with meadow narrative and map plus history of Mills Park
Projected Completion: June/July 2022. Content under development. Graphic design set to begin second week of June.
Grant: Columbia Land Conservancy Municipal Mini-Grant

Bandstand

1. Awaiting meeting with NYS Parks & Recreation Historic Preservation about grant eligibility - to be scheduled by HPC.
Potential Grant Application: NYS Parks & Recreation - Parks Grant

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail and Village Bike Racks

1. Consultation with M. Browne on new signage locations on bike trail for directional signs into village completed.
2. Development of signage content, size, and design to begin June 2022.

Kinderhook Creek and Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)/Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project

1. LWRP Bids Received (2)
Grant: NYS Department of State- Title 11 of Environmental Protection Fund
2. LWRP Next Steps: Kinderhook and Valatie Committees to meet to consider two bids. Deadline for contract-award decision: July 8, 2022. Deadline for announcement of awarding of contract: July 14, 2022.
3. Kayak launch design, planning, installation - Kinderhook and Valatie. Next Step: Army Corps of Engineers applications (one for Kinderhook and one for Valatie) to be completed in June.
Grant: Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant
4. Hudson Street Landing at Creekside Park Kayak Launch, Accessible Parking, and Grant Funding - Board Discussion in June & July for consideration of NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation Upcoming Parks Grant - Deadline July 29, 2022.

Van Buren Hall - Potential NYS Parks & Recreation Historic Preservation Grant

1. Follow-up meeting to be scheduled for review by NYS Historic Preservation of renovation drawings and plans for eligibility.
Potential Grant Application: NYS Parks and Recreation Historic Preservation

Long-term Parking and Traffic Issues Related to Economic Development

1. Parking: Chatham Street Vacant Lot. Next steps: (1) 2022 Review of Documentation. (2) Contacting DEC to determine if there is any additional paperwork in their files post-demolition status.
2. Truck traffic in business district on village-owned roads.

Report and Summary on Village of Kinderhook Grants (Ongoing and Future Opportunities)

1. Preliminary meeting with R. Shur and N. Heeder to establish format and details completed.