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## Pattern and CRREO release studies on regional jail solutions



Pattern CEO Jonathan Drapkin, CRREO Research Associate Joshua Simons, Orange County Executive Edward Diana and CRREO Director Gerald Benjamin discussed the regional jail study at the Orange County Emergency Services Center in Goshen. - Photo by Orysia Dmytrenko

GOSHEN—Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress and the Center for Research, Regional Education and Outreach at SUNY New Paltz released two studies in January that showed collaboration across county borders could reduce the cost of running jails. The grant to conduct the research was written by Orange County, with support from Sullivan and Ulster. The CRREO report, “A Collaborative Approach to Jailing in the Hudson Valley,” looked at shared jailing options, central medical facilities for inmates, transportation models and other cost-saving ideas. Pattern’s report analyzed the Sullivan County Jail, its 104-year history and how decades of indecision have ballooned the cost of building a new jail. That study also offered suggestions for regional collaboration that could allow Sullivan to build a smaller, less expensive jail. Pattern’s report can be found by [clicking here](#); CRREO’s report can be found by [clicking here](#).

## Pattern receives grant from The New World Foundation to study food policy

NEWBURGH—Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress received a \$191,400 grant in January from The New World Foundation, to pursue two projects aimed at promoting growth in the regional food economy.

The first project will focus on the feasibility of a food hub in the Hudson Valley to improve and increase the distribution of locally grown food in the market. The “food-hub” project will analyze ways to strengthen the supply chain and respond to the growing demand for local food.

It will start by engaging food producers, businesses and other regional stakeholders over the next year.

The second project includes working with local institutions to identify barriers and solutions to procuring more local food for their meal programs. These groups might include community college, jails, nursing homes and other facilities.

The grant was provided by The New World Foundation’s Local Economies Project, which encourages local ownership of businesses, sustainable economic growth and thriving local communities.

The projects will be overseen by Pattern CEO Jonathan Drapkin and Vice President for Research & Policy Sarah Brannen.

## Annual President’s Day Breakfast set for Feb. 21



POUGHKEEPSIE—Pattern’s annual President’s Day Breakfast this year will include a roundtable discussion with Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro, Orange County Executive Edward Diana and Ulster County Executive Michael Hein. (Pictured above, left to right.) The county leaders are expected to discuss many topics, including regional solutions to help solve their common problems.

This event sells out every year, so reserve your seat at the breakfast now.

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The breakfast is Feb. 21 at 7:45 a.m. at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel.

## Bosch, Brannen join Pattern staff

NEWBURGH—Pattern for Progress has added two new employees to its staff of planning and research professionals.

Adam Bosch joined Pattern as vice president for research and external communications. Bosch was previously a reporter at the Times Herald-Record, where he won five Associated Press awards for his reporting throughout the Hudson Valley. He is a graduate of SUNY New Paltz and Columbia University. He was born and raised in Newburgh.

Sarah Brannen joined Pattern as vice president for research and policy. She was previously a policy advisor on economic and food issues to the Speaker of the New York City Council. While there, Brannen authored a definitive report called “Food Works: A Vision to Improve NYC’s Food system.” She is a graduate of Barnard College and Johns Hopkins University. She was born and raised in Poughkeepsie.



Adam Bosch



Sarah Brannen

## Final notes on Progress

Pattern CEO **Jonathan Drapkin** and Vice President for Research and Grants Administration **Joe Czajka** have been working with county economic development agencies and business organizations to help local grant writers navigate the state’s consolidated funding application. Seminars in Sullivan and Westchester counties are already scheduled for February and March ... Kudos go to Pattern board member **Paul Calogerakis**, senior vice president at KeyBank, who was recently appointed to the St. Luke’s Cornwall Hospital Board of Directors ... Pattern has ventured into the digital age! Our new **Facebook** page is up and running. Thus far, we have accrued more than 100 followers in two weeks. Follow us on Facebook by [clicking here](#).