

PATTERN'S PROGRESS

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MARCH GALLAGHER TO JOIN PATTERN



Attorney and policy analyst March Gallagher will join Pattern for Progress as its Chief Strategy Officer on Aug. 5. In this position, March will serve as Deputy to President & CEO Jonathan Drapkin. March most recently served as the Director of Business Services for Ulster County. She has served on the Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council, the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation and the Hudson Valley Regional Council. March holds a JD from Boston University and an MA in Public Policy from SUNY Albany and an MS in Environmental Studies from Bard College.

NYS COMMISSIONER DARRYL TOWNS AT HOUSING CENTER ROUNDTABLE

Leaders in private and nonprofit housing convened for a discussion on developments in the region June 25 in Middletown. The event was organized by Pattern's Joe Czajka in his role as executive director of the Center for Housing Solutions, a division of Pattern for Progress. Guest speaker New York State Commissioner of Homes and Community Renewal Darryl C. Towns spoke about the state's commitment to housing and explained the \$1 billion House NY initiative to boost economic development through housing. Pattern was pleased to have Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther join the discussion.

GOOD GOVERNMENT TOUR:

Pattern's Jonathan Drapkin and several local leaders were on board with Ulster County Executive Mike Hein, who, in his role as President of the NYS County Executives Association, launched the innovative PayGO NY initiative on June 18 to seek cost savings in local government. Drapkin, as a regional advisor to the initiative, encouraged citizens to be creative as they suggest ways to curtail the growing cost of government while maintaining services.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2013 PATTERN FELLOWS LEADERSHIP CLASS



After eight months of study on regional topics, the Fellows made their final presentations on June 17. Fellows worked on civic improvement metrics for Newburgh, affordable housing in the Hudson Valley, and on making improvements to Brewster's Main Street. We're taking applications now for the 2013-14 Fellows class which begins this fall. For information, call, 845-565-4900.

SAVE THE DATE: THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2013

Pattern's Annual Awards Reception. To find out more about sponsoring this event, contact us at 845-565-4900 or email rdegroat@pfprogress.org.