

## E-BULLETIN FOR MEMBERS OF HUDSON VALLEY PATTERN FOR PROGRESS

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## "PATTERN FOR THE FUTURE" 50th Anniversary Campaign Announced

Ford Foundation-RPA Grant for \$400,000 Leads the Way to \$1 Million

Pattern for Progress President Jonathan Drapkin this month announced plans for the 50th anniversary of Pattern, a celebration which will take place now through 2015. At Pattern's annual meeting and awards reception on Nov. 6, Drapkin announced "Pattern for the Future," a campaign to raise \$1,000,000. The funds will support a research agenda on three fronts —revitalization of the Hudson Valley's urban areas, innovations in the public education system and Pattern's ongoing regional solutions agenda which includes work in infrastructure, housing and community development.

John Rath, a former Pattern board chairman has been named chairman of the Pattern for the Future campaign; development consultant April Gozza will lead the campaign outreach effort.



John Rath is heading up the 50th Anniversary campaign, "Pattern for the Future." April Gozza is leading the development effort.

Pattern has already met a substantial portion of its million-dollar goal through a \$400,000 Ford Foundation grant given to Pattern through the Regional Plan Association (RPA). The grant will provide partial support to Pattern's work on a project called the Hudson Valley Urban Action Agenda. In the long-term project, Pattern will build on existing efforts and seek new ways to attract and retain young people to urban areas throughout the region.

Pattern for Progress was founded in 1965 to seek balanced and sustainable solutions to enhance the growth and vitality of the Hudson Valley. Rath said the 50th Anniversary of Pattern provides a time to reflect on the work that's been done and the work that lies ahead. "Pattern exists to help preserve the beauty, vitality and quality of life we all enjoy in the Hudson Valley by providing an independent voice on tough issues many can't or won't undertake," he said. "I am honored to chair the anniversary campaign as we continue to fulfill this mission." Stay tuned for more news about the anniversary year. To get involved in the 50th Anniversary celebration, contact 845-565-4900, or visit our website to contribute to the campaign.

## Valley's Visionaries Honored at Annual Henry Awards Reception



Recipients of the Pattern for Progress 2014 Henry Awards included: Dr. Danny Aronzon, Diane Serratore, Covington Development, Westchester Medical Center, the Museum at Bethel Woods, Yonkers Partners in Education, Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine Middletown Campus, Storm King Art Center, the Local Economies Project, Charlie North of the Dutchess County Chamber of Commerce and John D'Ambrosio, formerly of the Orange County Chamber of Commerce.