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TASK FORCE RELEASES GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY WHITE PAPER AT ANNUAL BREAKFAST

Pattern's [Government Efficiency Task Force](#), led by Executive Board Member Michael Turturro of Vanacore, DeBenedictus, DiGiovanni & Weddell, released their white paper, "Government Efficiency in the Hudson Valley: A Positive Approach to Change", at the annual President's Day Breakfast April 7. The 8-page document summarizes both the issues facing the region and Pattern's work plan to support the Valley's municipalities in their efforts to deliver services more effectively and efficiently. Click [here](#) to download the document, and to read the *Poughkeepsie Journal* editorial that followed its release.

PATTERN PRESENTS SHARED SERVICES STUDY TO DUTCHESS EDC, PUBLISHES BRIEF

Jonathan Drapkin presented results of the local government efficiency study initiated by the Dutchess County Supervisors and Mayors Association at the DC Economic Development Corp. quarterly board meeting April 28. The 8-page Discussion Brief summarizing the study, "Examining Shared Services Potential in Dutchess County", is now available on Pattern's website [here](#).

FIFTH ANNUAL "HOUSING THE HUDSON VALLEY" CONFERENCE SET FOR JUNE 13

Registration has opened for Pattern's spring conference, "Housing the Hudson Valley: Forecasting the Future?", June 13, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Poughkeepsie Grand. Keynote speakers will be Joseph Tracy of Federal Home Loan Bank of NY, and NYS Housing Commissioner Darryl Towns. *Early sponsors are Gold sponsor Jacobowitz & Gubits ... Silver sponsors Federal Home Loan Bank of NY, Ulster Savings Bank and Westchester Medical Center ... and Bronze sponsors Cannon Heyman & Weiss, Clough Harbour & Associates, Ecosystems Strategies, Mohonk Preserve, Regan Development and Rhinebeck Savings Bank.* Click [here](#) for more information.

REGIONAL FELLOWS SCHEDULE 3 URBAN MAYORS FOR ANNUAL LUNCHEON PANEL JUNE 7

Pattern's graduating class of Regional Fellows will host Mayor Steve Gold of Beacon, Mayor Nick Valentine of Newburgh, and Mayor John Tkazyik of Poughkeepsie in a discussion of urban strategies to address "Dwindling Resources...Common Needs" of the Hudson Valley's waterfront cities on June 7, noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Powelton Club in Newburgh. Click [here](#) for registration information.

CLARKSON SPEAKS AT ALBANY LAW SCHOOL EVENT ON SHARED SERVICES

Pattern VP John Clarkson participated in a panel discussion on shared services and consolidation on April 12 at the state capitol, where he presented on the legacy of the Lundine Commission (which he served as executive director) and on Pattern's local efficiency initiative and white paper (see above).

PATTERN ON THE ROAD...

- ... Chris Ferrero and Jonathan Drapkin met with the editorial board of the Poughkeepsie Journal April 4 to preview the government efficiency white paper and Dutchess study results.
- ... John Clarkson met with staff of the Statewide League of Women Voters April 20 to discuss potential collaboration on LWV'S Consolidation/Shared Services Study. Jonathan Drapkin had addressed the Dutchess County League of Women Voters April 13 in support of these issues.

PATTERN BOARD MEMBERS AND FELLOWS IN THE NEWS ...

Pattern Board Member **Dr. William Richards**, president of SUNY Orange, dedicated Kaplan Hall in ceremonies March 31 on the Newburgh campus where Pattern's office is located ([more](#)) ... Pattern Board Member **Suzanne Loughlin**, EVP of Firestorm Solutions, co-authored two columns in the *Times Herald Record* on the risks of supply chain interruption and how to "Disaster Proof your Supply Chain" (click [here](#) and [here](#)) ... Pattern Board Member **Scott Batulis**, president of Orange Regional Medical Center announced the ORMC Foundation had reached its \$21 million capital campaign goal for construction of the new hospital in the Town of Wallkill ([more](#)) ... *Congratulations!*