

Cornwall  
NY FORWARD



# Town of Cornwall & Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson

## Public Workshop 1

June 15, 2023



NY Forward



## Agenda for Today's Meeting

- Welcome
- What is NY Forward?
- Process and Timeline
- What is the LPC?
- NY Forward Boundary
- Vision
- How can you get involved?
- Open Call for Projects
- Workshop Activity

# What is NY Forward?

NY Forward (NYF ) launched in 2022 to invigorate and enliven downtowns in New York’s smaller and rural communities—the type of downtowns found in villages, hamlets, and other small, neighborhood-scale municipal centers.

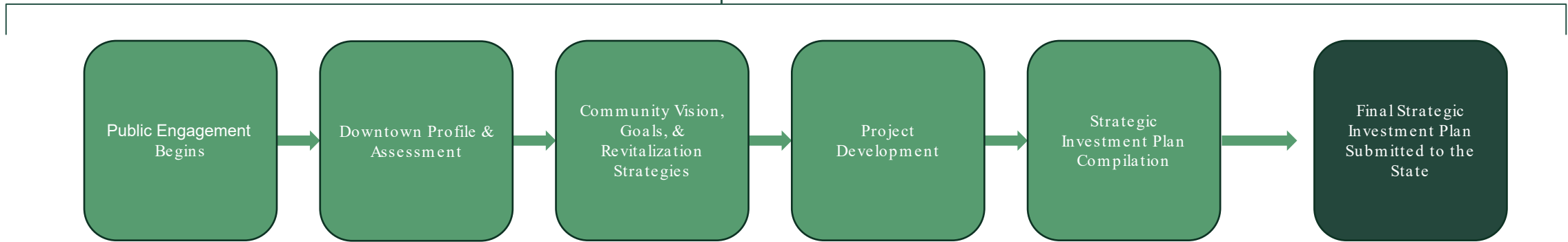
Similar to the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), and with Department of State planning and implementation support, **NYF communities develop a Strategic Investment Plan that includes a slate of readily implementable projects** aimed at revitalizing downtown areas, while providing a higher quality of life for all residents.

## Key Activities

- Public engagement
- Downtown profile and assessment
- Vision, goals, and revitalization strategies
- Project identification and development
- Project implementation

# Process and Timeline

Selection	Planning	Implementation
<p>Communities submit applications to the REDCs (Regional Economic Development Council). After soliciting community input in 2022, Cornwall submitted an application and was selected in 2023.</p>	<p>Selected communities will develop a Strategic Investment Plan that includes a vision for the downtown and a catalog of transformative projects, based on community outreach and input. That plan forms the foundation for immediate and ongoing project implementation.</p>	<p>NYForward awards will be used to implement the most transformative projects from the Strategic Investment Plan. Additional projects may be implemented through the CFA (Consolidated Funding Application) or other funding sources.</p>



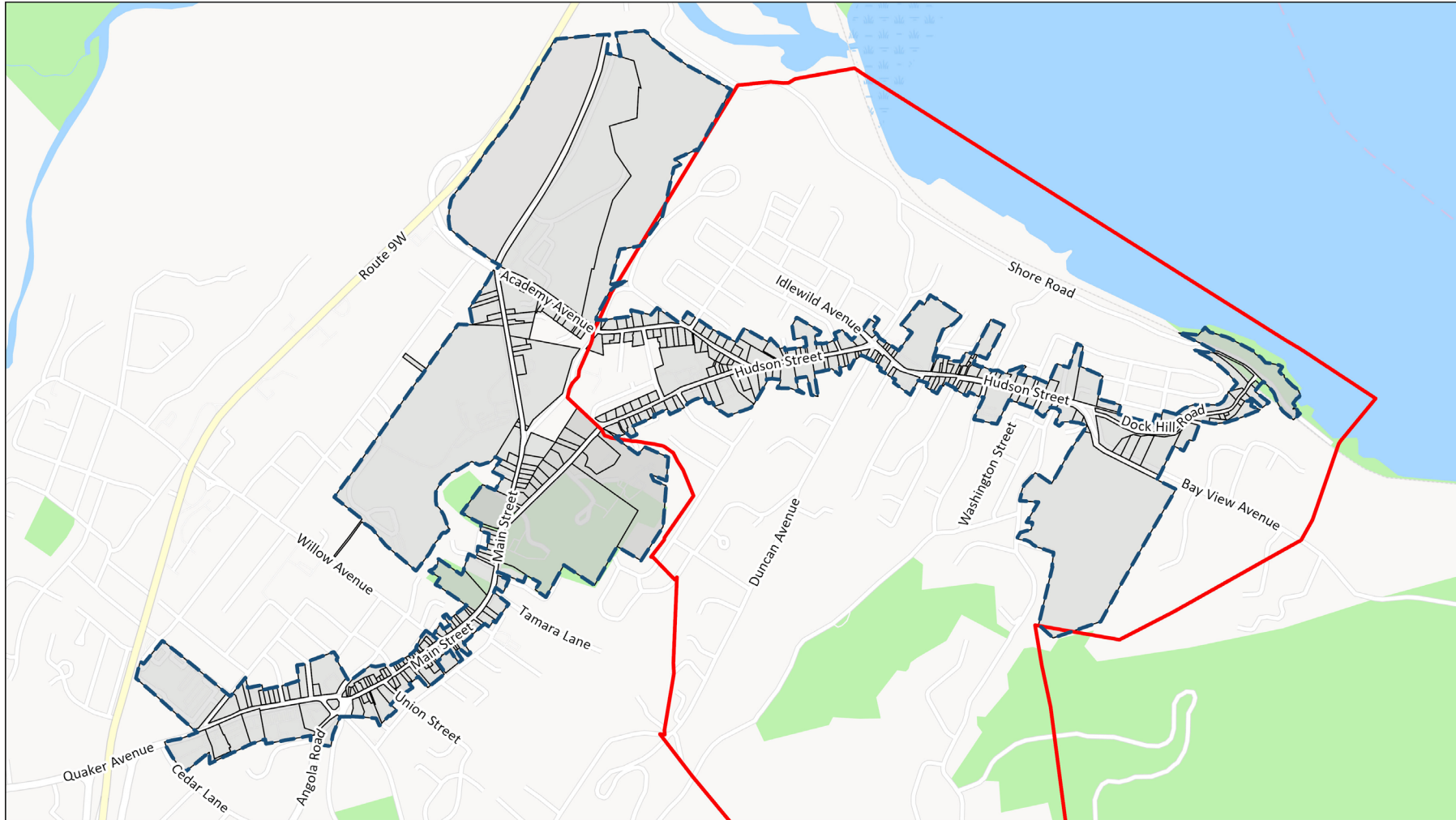
# What is the Local Planning Committee (LPC)?

As the steering body of the process, the LPC meets regularly to brainstorm ideas, provide direction to the consultant team, review planning documents, discuss potential projects, and prioritize actions.

The LPC members, working with the consultant team and State planners, will determine the slate of projects to be included in the Strategic Investment Plan.



# Cornwall NY Forward Boundary Map




## Why this boundary?

- Central business districts
- Highlights connections between Town and Village
- Gateways to the downtown
- Waterfront, parks, and trails
- Government buildings

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**Projects must be located within the NYF Boundary.**

 Cornwall NYF Boundary

 Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson Municipal Boundary

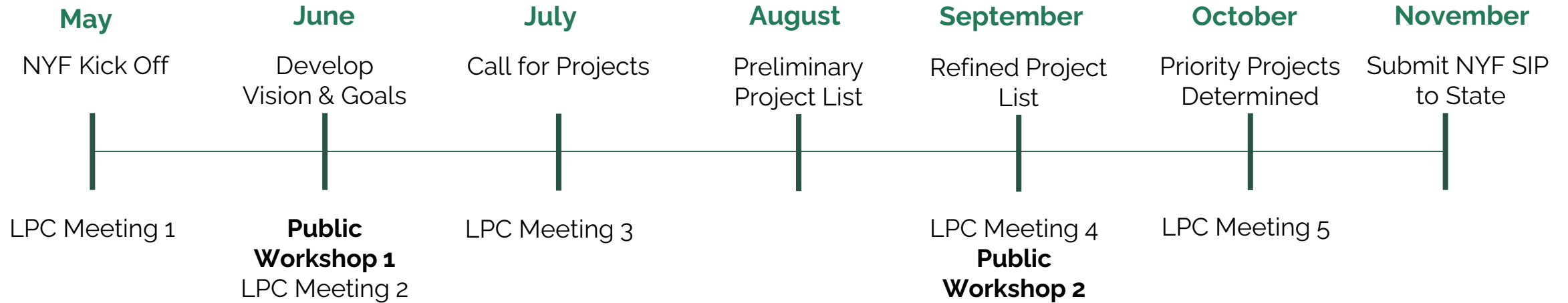
# Vision & Themes



*Blending the area's rich art scene, cultural destinations, and the outdoor recreation opportunities of the Hudson River and Hudson Highlands, the downtowns of the Town of Cornwall and Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson will serve as a walkable and vibrant central meeting place that offers unique shopping, dining, recreational, and cultural opportunities. The Town and Village will seek to build upon their active downtown commercial districts, while preserving the natural and historic assets that highlight the beauty of the Hudson Valley and providing meaningful connections between the downtowns and the Hudson River.*



# How can you get involved?





# Submit your ideas: Open Call for Projects

All projects, including those submitted in the community's NYF application, must be submitted through the Open Call for Projects.



The Call for Projects opens on **June 16, 2023** and closes on **July 21, 2023**.

Visit [cornwallnyf.com](https://cornwallnyf.com) for more!

## Project Criteria

- Projects should be **aligned with State and local goals** and demonstrate strong community support.
- Projects should be **well-developed** and ready to proceed in the near-term in a way that will jump start the reinvigoration of the NYF area.
- Projects should have a positive impact on the revitalization of the downtown by **attracting other public and private investment at a scale appropriate for community**.
- Projects should result in **secondary benefits** to both the community and project sponsor and improve quality of life in the neighborhood.
- **Investment of NYF funds** in the project should represent an effective and efficient use of public resources.

# Today's Workshop Activity

**Goal: Solicit your feedback & ideas on the Cornwall NYF vision, and opportunities and challenges impacting Cornwall's revitalization.**

Format:

Split into 5 groups

Rotate every 14 minutes – everyone gets a chance to contribute to all tables.

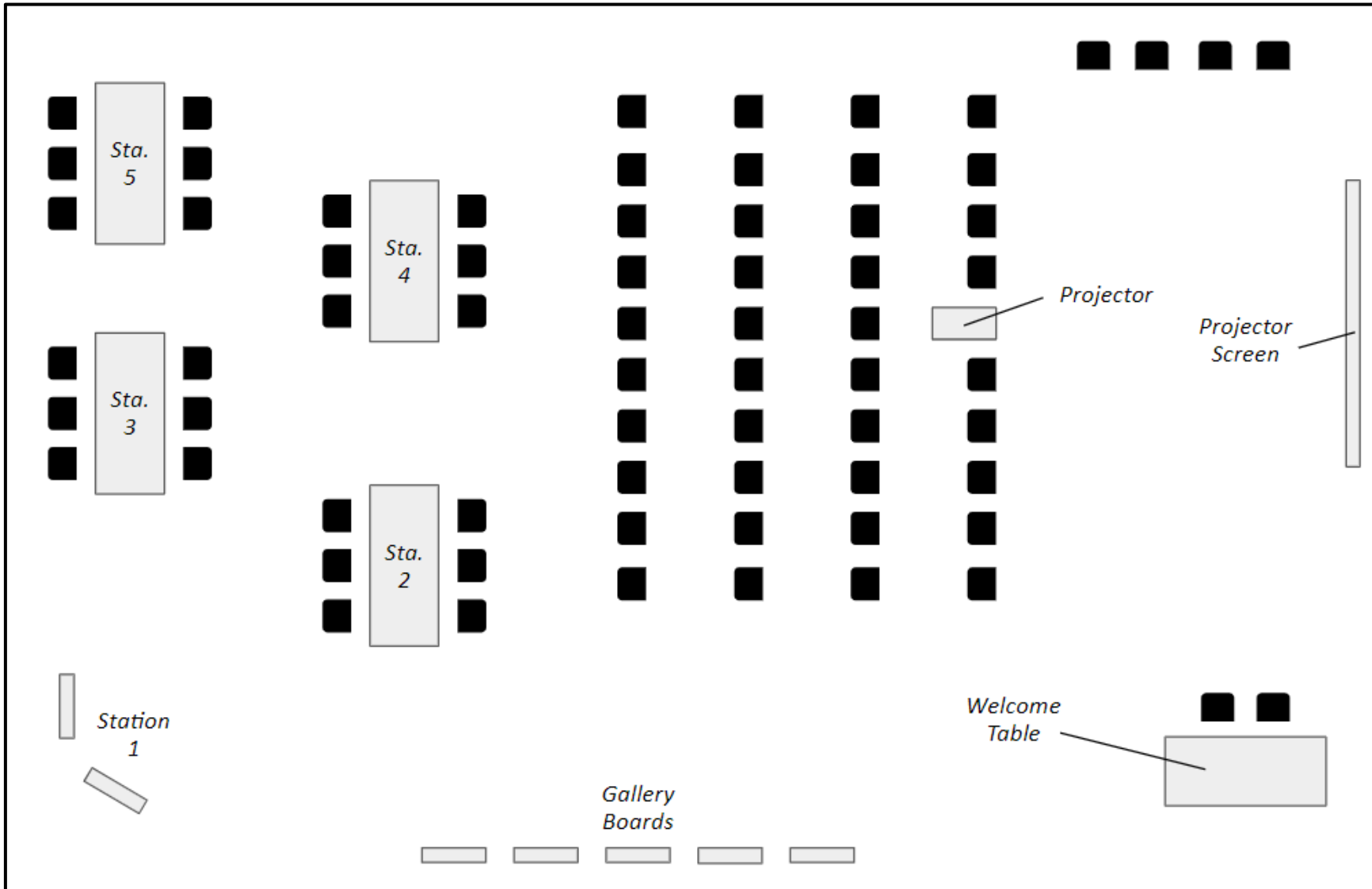


At each station, groups will work through two questions:

1. What are you looking for?
2. What are the challenges to getting there?

# Workshop Activity Rules

- All ideas are welcome
- You are welcome to contribute by speaking or by writing down your comments
- Once you have shared an idea, please make room for others to speak
- Submit further comments throughout the process via website and additional meetings



# Thank you!

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