

New York State Local Public Authority Mission Statement and Measurement Report

Local Public Authority Name: Seneca County Economic Development Corporation

Fiscal Year: January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Enabling Legislation (enables Local Public Authority Mission Statement): Local Development Corporations (“LDCs”) are formed under section 1411 of the Not-for-profit Law, as not-for-profit corporations. LDCs were created exclusively for charitable or public purposes of relieving and reducing unemployment, promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, carrying on scientific research for the purpose of aiding a community or geographical area by attracting new industry to the community or area by encouraging the development of, or retention of, an industry in the community or area, and lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest of Seneca County. LDCs have the power to construct, acquire, rehabilitate and improve for use by others industrial or manufacturing plants in Seneca County. LDCs can assist financially in such construction, acquisition, rehabilitation and improvement, to maintain such plants for others in Seneca County. LDCs can disseminate information and furnish advice, technical assistance and be the liaison with federal, state and local authorities. LDCs can acquire by purchase, lease, gift, bequest, devise or otherwise real or personal property or interests therein, to borrow money and to issue negotiable bonds, notes and other obligations. LDCs can sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of or encumber any such plants or any of its real or personal property or any interest therein upon such terms as it may determine.

Mission Statement: Pursuant to the Authority granted by the State of New York, it is the mission of the Seneca County Economic Development Corporation to advance the job opportunities and economic welfare of the people of Seneca County, by actively promoting, retaining, encouraging, and attracting economically sound commerce, industry and recreational opportunities, and lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest. The Seneca County Economic Development Corporation will achieve this mission by utilizing the powers granted to it by New York State. This assistance can include financial assistance for industrial or commercial projects, furnishing advice and technical assistance to such projects, being the liaison with federal, state and local authorities and providing support to other organizations with similar missions. The Seneca County Economic Development Corporation can acquire, dispose, or manage real or personal property or interests therein upon such terms as it may determine. The board and staff of the Seneca County Economic Development Corporation will carry out this mission guided by the tenets of transparency, integrity and accountability.

2019 Measurements:

1. Anecdotal instances of collaboration with local government

Authority Stakeholder(s): Seneca County and all municipalities and school districts within the County as well as residents and property owners

Authority Beneficiaries: Seneca County and all municipalities and school districts within the County as well as residents and property owners

Authority Customers: Residents of Seneca County

Authority self-evaluation of prior year performance (based upon established measurements): During 2019, the Seneca County EDC continued collaborations with Seneca County to help manage Sampson Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Governance Certification:

1. Have the board members acknowledged that they have read and understood the mission of the public authority?

Board of Directors Response: **Yes**

2. Who has the power to appoint management of the public authority?

Board of Directors Response: **Board**

3. If the Board appoints management, do you have a policy you follow when appointing the management of the public authority.

Board of Directors Response: **The Governance Committee annually reviews management and recommends appointment by the full board of directors.**

4. Briefly describe the role of the Board and the role of management in the implementation of the mission.

Board of Directors Response: **The Board of Directors provides oversight and sets strategy, while management performs day-to-day responsibilities to implement the agency's mission.**

5. Has the Board acknowledged that they have read and understood the response to each of these questions?

Board of Directors Response: **Yes**