

# PBInc.org

Community-Based Revitalization

Happy New Year,

As you probably will agree, living in Philmont is always an engaging experience for PBI's supporters who are committed to helping and contributing towards the village's ongoing revitalization!

We saw a record year of participation for 2022, meeting our organization's mission of collaboration and ensuring the community voice is at the decision making table of our four integrated programs of Housing, Local Food, Philmont Rising, and Small Business.

We hope you will spend a moment to review the highlights of the year and consider making an end-of-year, tax deductible donation, to help achieve continuing success in 2023.

To ensure PBInc can continue provide ongoing free services to the village and the community, we must raise \$10,000 by the end of the year.

Please stand with us again to achieve this goal.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR and best wishes for a great 2023!**

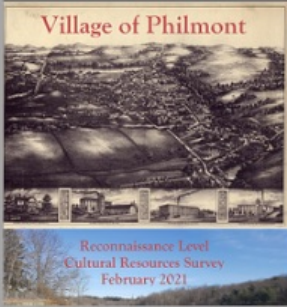
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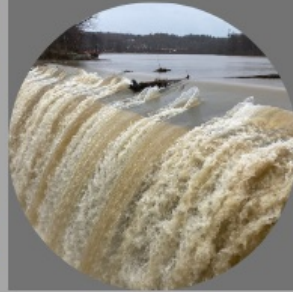
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## HOUSING



## PHILMONT RISING



## SMALL BUSINESS

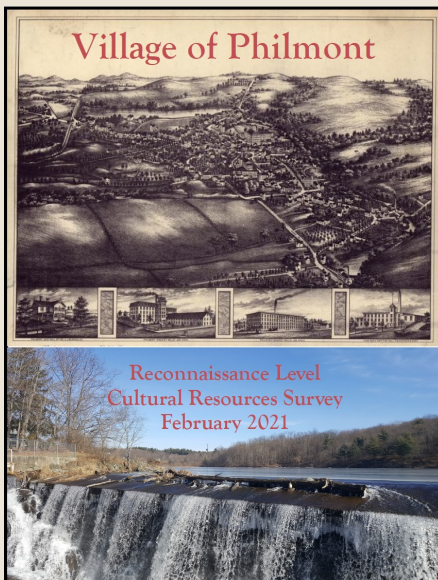


## LOCAL FOOD



# YEAR IN REVIEW

## HOUSING



**15** Heritage Working Group meetings

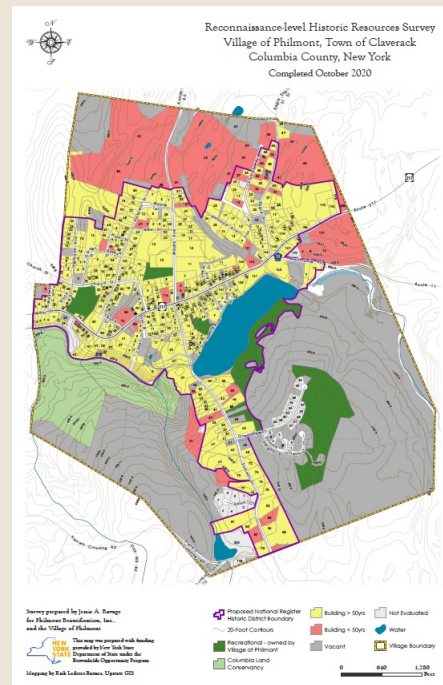
**15** Community members

**2,500** flyers mailed to property owners

**100** flyers posted on message boards

**2** Village Board proposals with recommendations

**14** Collaborative conference calls with NY state



## WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED?

The Village of Philmont Historic District established

The Village of Philmont Historic District is well on its way to be nominated to the NY State and National Registers of Historic Places

2 Public presentations

17 News blasts

PBI collaborating with the Heritage Working Group was the only organization in Columbia County to win a 2022 Preserve New York grant to hire a preservation consultant to write the nomination study

Property owners are informed they can vote "Yea" or "Nay" in 2023

Village Board Trustees are informed

If property owners vote "Yea" in 2023 it will provide them a choice to use preservation tax-credits if they repair or renovate their home or commercial property

## PHILMONT RISING



The Agawamuck Creek Watershed is approximately 14,656 acres (22.9 sq miles) consisting of the Agawamuck Creek, Summit Lake, the Philmont Reservoir, and their tributaries.

The Agawamuck Creek Watershed Management Plan is a Village of Philmont & PBI inter-municipal project collaborating with the Towns of Claverack, Ghent, Hillsdale, and Austerlitz aimed at creating a plan to improve and protect the watershed and the Agawamuck Creek that flows to

Summit Lake and High Falls as a part of the Hudson River Estuary.

12 Watershed Advisory

WHAT WAS

Committee meetings

## ACCOMPLISHED?

**14** Village Board reports included in the monthly Village meeting minutes

The Watershed Advisory Committee was formed with the participating towns of Claverack, Ghent, Hillsdale, and Austerlitz.

**12** progress reports to the state

The project website was established.

**4** Newsletters

**8** Conferences with the State

LaBella Associates was selected through a competitive process to be hired as the watershed planning consultant firm to start in 2023 working with PBI and the participating communities who care about the environment of the watershed and the Agawamuck Creek.

**1** Village Board proposal with recommendations

## LOCAL FOOD





**Annabel's Victory Garden**, located at the back of the Philmont Co-op is a PBI project created and operated by PBI as a teaching garden for kids and families and is a part of our Local Food program.

**Lead Gardener, Taylor Kurtz, is growing the garden beautifully to**



meet the PBI's Kids Grow & Cook program vision including the continuation of the garden's weekly free harvesting to the community.



**46** Community Harvests to the Philmont Library

**18** Kids Cooking Class Harvests in partnership with the Sylvia Center

**2** Garden Workshops

**4** Newsletters

**3** Garden tours

**2** At Home funded raised beds



Annabel's Victory Garden  
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## WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED?

Annabel's Victory Garden 18 raised beds produced its 3rd year of growing for the community in partnership with the Philmont Library and the Sylvia Center.

The garden produced over 15 bags of mixed produce free harvests every Wednesday, helping 15 families meet their fresh veggie food needs.

We started the At Home program providing 2 local families with free raised beds, soil testing, bed soils and compost. The families were provided at home gardening instruction from Taylor Kurtz, our gardener, to assist with learning how to grow and pollinate.

## Harvest to Philmont Library



Free harvests to the weekly Community Dinner.

## SMALL BUSINESS



Engaging the Philmont Co-op management and Board in a 10-month dialogue to improve the Co-op capability to meet the PBI grant requirements for the 2016 state investment made to revitalize 116 Main St. as a local food system. It provides local Producers and farmers with

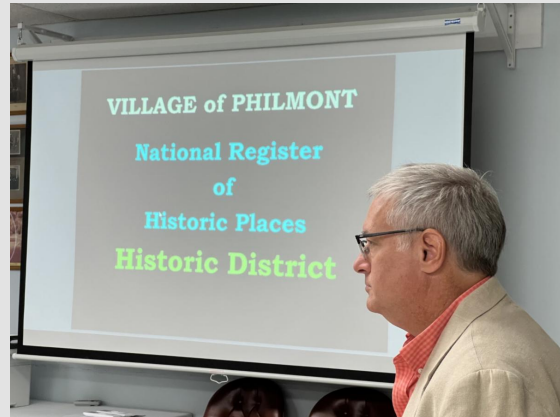


opportunities to serve the community as members of the Cooperative as the anchor tenant. This dialogue will continue into early 2023 through a proposed mediation.



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