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Dear Colleague,

As part of Governor Cuomo's transformative plan to improve the state's economic development model, the web-based NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) has been created to streamline and expedite the grant application process, serving as the single entry point for access to economic development funding made available through multiple grant programs. I am pleased to announce that the Department of State is dedicating Environmental Protection Fund Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (EPF LWRP) resources to advance community and waterfront revitalization priorities through the CFA.

The Local Waterfront Revitalization Program provides matching grants to eligible villages, towns, cities and counties on a competitive basis to revitalize communities and waterfronts and foster local and regional economic development. This grant program provides funding for a variety of waterfront planning, design and construction projects that advance economic, community, environmental and recreational improvements.

Funding will be available for the following grant categories:

- Preparing Regional Strategies for Community and Waterfront Revitalization
- Completing or Implementing a Local or Regional Waterfront Revitalization Program
- Redeveloping Urban Waterfronts
- Revitalizing Downtowns and Hamlets
- Planning or Constructing Water Trails
- Improving Water Quality

The EPF LWRP Request for Applications and information on pre-application workshops nearest you can be found on the Department of State's website http://www.nyswaterfronts.com/grantopps_EPF.asp.

Applications are due by **4:00 PM on October 31, 2011**, and must be submitted through the web-based Consolidated Funding Application. To apply or to access related CFA materials, go to <http://nyworks.ny.gov>.

Sincerely,

Cesar A. Perales