

Village of Pittsford and Town of Pittsford Erie Canal Corridor Master Plan and Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP)

This project coordinated a vision for two attractive, historic municipalities around a key shared resource—the Erie Canal. The plan included recommendations for future land use patterns and waterfront revitalization projects and proposed preservation of a “ribbon of green” throughout the canal corridor. It identified important waterfront access sites for improvement—in context with the scale of the neighboring land uses.



Considered a model for upstate New York canal waterfronts, Pittsford’s planning focuses on preserving important historic patterns while recognizing people-centered waterfront



development opportunities. The project focuses on the historic Erie County Heritage Trail, which uses the old towpath on the Erie Canal as a multi-purpose trail. A waterfront hotel and conference center, new town library, restaurants, shops, and continued waterfront access improvements and adaptive reuse of historic buildings make this a special place popular with both local residents and visitors.