

## Public Notice

February 11, 2026

### — Draft State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2026-2027 — Unified Planning Work Program

The [Dutchess County Transportation Council \(DCTC\)](#) has initiated a 15-day public comment period for its [Draft 2026-2027 Unified Planning Work Program](#). The Planning Program identifies the federally funded planning activities that we expect to work on between April 1, 2026 and March 31, 2027. It includes descriptions of planning tasks and resulting products, and identifies the schedule, cost, fund sources, and organizations involved in completing each task.

Our Draft 2026-2027 Planning Program includes over \$1.5 million in funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support our planning activities for the upcoming year. In addition to regular planning tasks, we will complete an update of [Moving Dutchess Forward](#), our long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan, complete a new [Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan](#) to identify the transportation needs and priorities for older adults and people with disabilities, and finish a sidewalk inventory for the City of Beacon.

## Public Comments

This 15-day comment period provides the public with an opportunity to review and provide feedback on our proposed Planning Program. Comments may be submitted by mail, email, or phone, using the contact information below, by **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2026**. All public comments will be summarized and forwarded to the Council prior to action.

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*About the DCTC: Established in 1982, the DCTC serves as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Dutchess County. Federal law requires that Urban Areas with over 50,000 people be represented by a MPO, which is responsible for ensuring that Federal transportation dollars (highway and transit) are committed through a locally driven, comprehensive planning process. The DCTC includes representatives from local municipalities, the New York State Department of Transportation, and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority.*