

The Erie Canal Bicentennial



As we look ahead to 2025, we are proud to support the World Canals Conference during the Erie Canal's Bicentennial year!

The Village of Fairport is known as the "Crown Jewel of the Erie Canal" and the Fairport Office of Community and Economic Development is a strong supporter of the continued growth of the Village. Through our community-enhancing development policies and actions, OCED contributes to a vibrant and sustainable community along the canal.

Our financial sponsorship of the World Canals Conference helps showcase the Erie Canal on a global scale and draw attention to the many unique amenities in our village that make it an attractive place for visitors, businesses, and residents.



Among our many attractions is the Bicentennial Canal Gateway. This award winning project reflects a major investment by OCED and our partners, providing new docks, an accessible kayak launch, public art, and a timeline pathway highlighting the canal construction that impacted the early growth of the Village of Fairport. This waterfront park has created improved accessibility and recreational opportunities for the community.



As Founding Sponsor of the Fairport Plein Air, we look forward to including this year's "Reimagine the Erie Canal - Bicentennial Plein Air" in our celebration of the canal. An annual attraction now in its fourth year, the event takes place on September 27th, following on the heels of the World Canals Conference.

Looking Ahead to 2025



Our Vision supports the continued growth of the Village of Fairport into the most sought-after destination in the region for residents, visitors, and businesses. Our Strategic Focus is on development policies, attainable housing, local employment, and complete community. These are made possible through attainable housing, abundant amenities, and vibrant streets lined with businesses, strengthened by OCED's investment.

As we celebrate the Bicentennial of the Erie Canal, we acknowledge the importance of the canal to both the history and the future of the Village of Fairport.



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