

COLUMBIA COUNTY LAND BANK CORPORATON

2024 ANNUAL MEASUREMENT REPORT

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Our Mission

The Columbia County Land Bank Corporation (“CCLBC”) supports our towns and villages by: improving distressed and underutilized properties; fostering partnerships with community development organizations; increasing homeownership and rental opportunities for our current and future workforce; strengthening the County’s economic capacity.

State of the Columbia County Land Bank Corporation

We have achieved the goals we had set for the Land Bank in 2024

- **Develop a process with the Treasurer and County to obtain tax foreclosure properties**
 - Began in 2024 and continues to evolve
 - Spring, 2023 Supreme Court case will require this process to continue to evolve
 - The first prospective land bank acquisition follows the guidelines submitted to ESD and HCR
- **Set up the organization**
 - Financial
 - Organizational documents
 - Required policies adoption
 - Public Authority training and reporting
 - Administrative services (through contract with Columbia Economic Development Corporation)
- **Educate municipalities, organizations and individuals about the Land Bank**
 - Attend numerous meetings
 - Municipal

- Organizations
 - Educated town supervisors and village mayors about land banks
 - Informal contacts
- **Explore funding opportunities**
 - Submitted a successfully funded application to NYS HCR for Operations and Technical Assistance
 - Developed a budget and application for LBI Property Services