

Regional Programs and Activities

Economic Development and Planning

Economic development programs and services include strategic planning, technical assistance to communities and agencies for ARC and EDA economic development grants, preparation of county and regional economic profiles, and coordination with economic development agencies and organizations within each of the three counties.



Community Planning and Technical Assistance

Community planning services include assistance with site planning, subdivision reviews, industrial site development, master plan development, hazard mitigation planning, floodplain management, zoning updates, and environmental reviews. STC provides services to local communities including shared service studies, community surveys, grant development, locally developed projects, and downtown revitalization.

Flood Assistance

STC provides technical assistance to local governments and the public with flood mitigation, flood warning, stormwater management, stream corridor protection, and risk communication. STC works on behalf of the region on flood mapping and flood insurance issues. STC also promotes improved state and federal policies for managing flood risks and reducing future damage.



Human Services Planning

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Local Government Assistance and Training

Services include targeted information, assistance, and training for local government officials and community leaders. An annual Regional Leadership Conference is held, offering training, information, and resources for the region's local government officials. Monthly Planning School sessions offer the above in an evening timeframe with smaller groups.

Telecommunications

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Environmental Planning

STC provides planning and technical assistance to partners involved in protecting and utilizing the region's water resources. This program supports local communities, stormwater coalitions, watershed organizations, county water quality committees, state agencies, and others. STC took the lead on developing an ecosystem-based watershed management plan for the Susquehanna and Chemung Basins of New York. STC works with local communities and coordinates with the Upper Susquehanna Coalition, Friends of the Chemung River Watershed, and County Water Quality Coordination Committees.

Research and Data Services

STC maintains current information on federal and state grant programs, researches specified subjects and issues, and acts as a regional clearinghouse and NYS Affiliate Data Center for Census information, labor and industry information, and demographic data.

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stcplanning.org to find out what
regional work we are currently
doing!

