



## Canal Corporation

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May 28, 2020

Hon. Craig D. Apple  
Albany County Sheriff  
Albany County Courthouse  
Albany, NY 12207

**Re: 2020 Marine Patrol Grant – Albany County**

Dear Sheriff Apple:

The Canal Corporation is pleased to announce the availability of funding for 2020 for matching grants to support new and existing local patrols on the Canal and Canalway Trail. Matching grants of up to \$40,000 will be available for local agencies which establish, operate, or expand public safety patrols under the following criteria:

- Patrol services shall be provided during operational hours of the canals, and additional coverage during planned local events (many events have been cancelled this year, but we will do our best to keep you updated on events and activities as the season progresses). Standard hours of operation for the 2020 navigation season are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (exceptions to standard operating hours can be found on the "Hours of Operation" page on the Canal Corporation's website -- <http://www.canals.ny.gov/boating/hours.html>). We also recommend that you sign up for our Notices to Mariners, which will provide up-to-date information on progress we are making as we work toward a full reopening of the canals, as well as any other notices and alerts regarding water levels, construction or other conditions that will affect navigation (<http://www.canals.ny.gov/wwwapps/tas/tascanals/index.aspx>).
- Marine Patrols must patrol waters on, or contiguous to, the current and historical alignments of the New York State Canal System, cover the entirety of their determined jurisdiction, and provide supporting documentation of doing so.
- All officers assigned to patrols of the Canal or Canalway Trail supported by Canal Corporation funding must have appropriate certifications and accreditations for the operation of equipment utilized in the course of their public safety patrols.
- Local agencies must provide documentation of at least a 25 percent match of local funding to supplement that which is provided by the New York State Canal Corporation.
- All personnel must be familiar with, and have a working knowledge of, Canal Law and the Canal Corporation's Rules and Regulations.

If your agency is interested in applying for this funding for 2020, please send a letter of interest detailing the type and cost of patrol you will establish, operate, or expand with Canal Corporation funding, along with an amount of funding requested, by COB **June 19, 2020** to my attention at:

**Brian U. Stratton, Director  
New York State Canal Corporation  
30 South Pearl  
Albany, NY 12207**

I hope you will not hesitate to contact my office with any questions regarding this opportunity to enhance the safety and overall experience of the users of our Canal System and Canalway Trail. Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Brian U. Stratton*

Brian U. Stratton  
Director

cc: J. Joyce

RESOLUTION NO. 265

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE  
NEW YORK STATE CANAL CORPORATION REGARDING  
REIMBURSEMENT FOR MARINE PATROL SERVICES

Introduced: 8/10/20

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Sheriff has requested authorization to submit a grant application to the New York State Canal Corporation regarding reimbursement for marine patrol services in the amount of \$8,000 for the term commencing April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021, and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff has indicated that this funding, which requires a County match of \$2,000, will be used to recuperate a portion of the funds spent on the patrolling of Albany County waterways which are contiguous to the New York State Canal System, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the New York State Canal Corporation regarding reimbursement for marine patrol in the amount of \$8,000 for the term commencing April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

*Adopted by unanimous vote - 8/10/20*