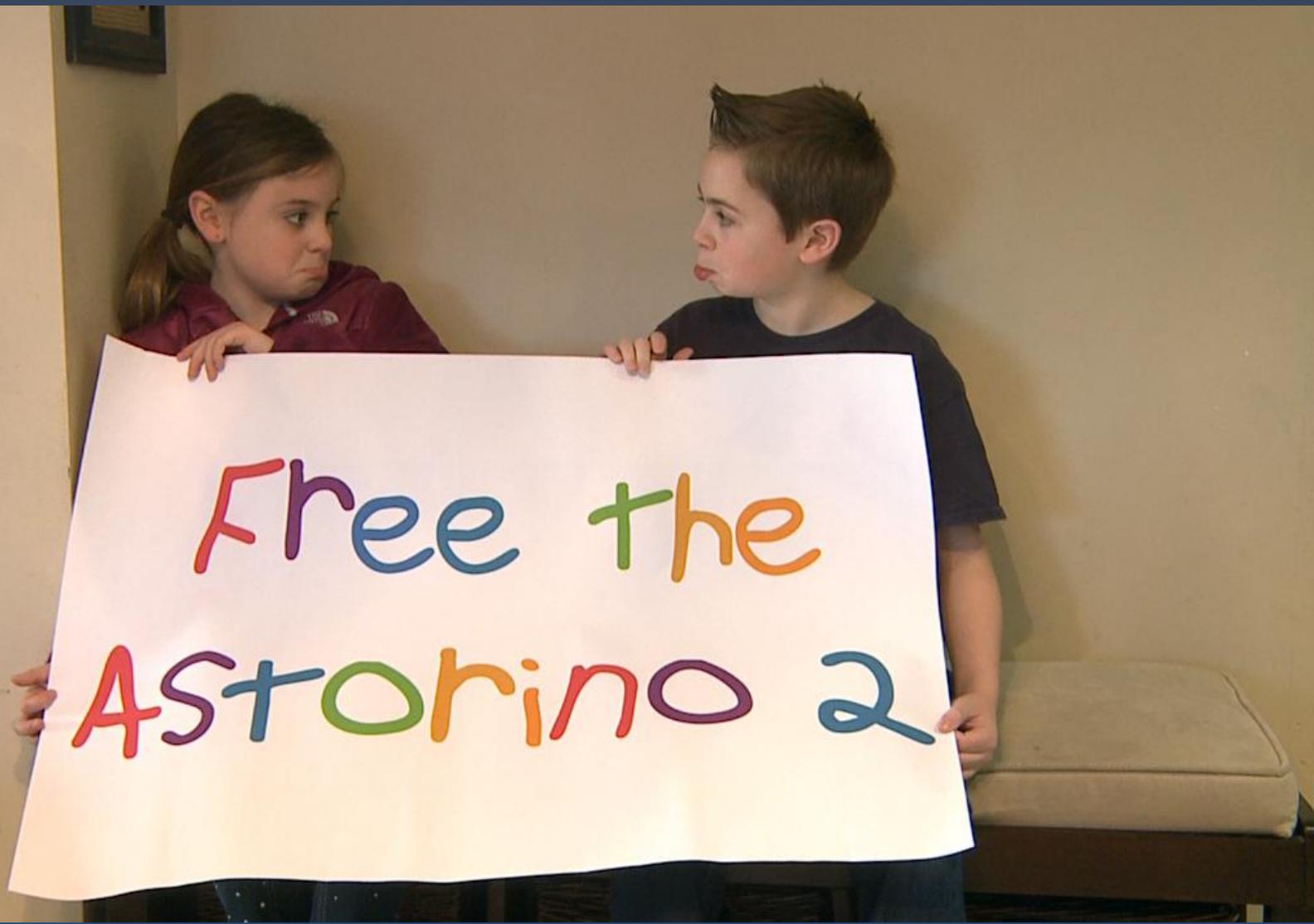




# State of the County Address

Robert P. Astorino, County Executive

April 23, 2013



Free the  
ASTORINO 2



# **LCPL Nancy Schiliro, Eastchester**

USMC, Veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom  
Wounded Warrior Project

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## Assistance for Veterans

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### receives Combat Infantry Badge

U.S. Army 1st Lt. Anthony Delvecchio, whose father is Paul Gallagher, with the county's Consumer Protection Agency, received the Combat Infantry Badge.

[Read more.](#)

### Westchester's Fallen

Formed in 1945 to assist World War II servicemen, the county agency now seeks to honor and help those who are serving in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere. A section of our Web site is dedicated to those who lost their lives in the ongoing conflicts.



## FEATURE

Westchester Veterans  
**Med Sign-up**  
[Learn more](#)

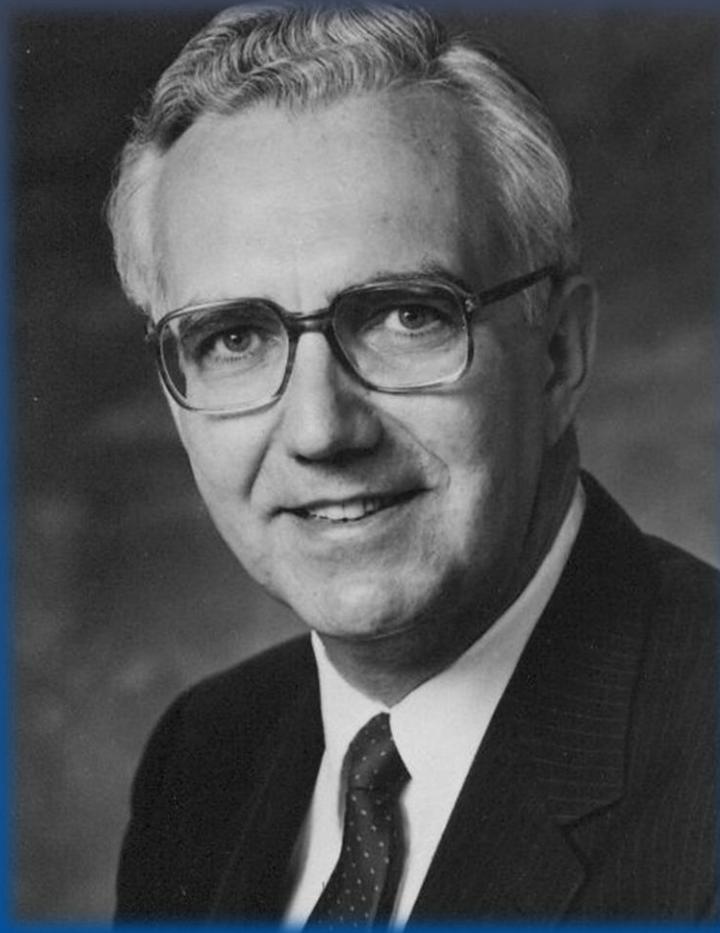
### County employee's son

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**Andrew P. O'Rourke**

1933-2013

# WestchesterGov.com/enaccion

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## Astorino Presenta Foro Sobre la Prevención de la Violencia Comunitaria

Last Updated on Tuesday, 16 April 2013 16:44

El Ejecutivo del Condado Robert P. Astorino reunió a expertos nacionales y locales en la salud pública y en la salud mental, el martes, junto con cerca de 400 líderes cívicos, educadores, miembros del clero, líderes comunitarios y profesionales de la seguridad pública para compartir ideas sobre la manera de mejorar los esfuerzos de prevención de la violencia en todo Westchester. [Leer más](#)



**Astorino Dará el Discurso Anual del Estado del Condado el 23 de Abril**  
El Ejecutivo del Condado Robert P. Astorino dará el Discurso del Estado del Condado del 2013 el martes, 23 de abril a las 7 p.m. en la Sala Central del Jurado en la Corte del Condado de Westchester, en 111 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., White Plains. [Leer más](#)



**Feria de Niños el 20 de Abril en County Center**  
El Departamento de Parques del Condado de Westchester se unirá a la estación de radio WHUD y otros patrocinadores y contribuyentes para auspiciar la Feria de Niños de WHUD 100.7 de este año, el sábado, 20 de abril, de 11 a.m. a 5 p.m., en el Westchester County Center en White Plains. [Leer más](#)



**Astorino y Sustainable Playland Completan Contrato de Gestión**  
5 de abril de 2013 -- La visión de un Playland reinventado para el siglo 21 dio un paso más a la

### ASTORINO PRESENTA EL PRESUPUESTO



# “The Three P’s”

**Protect** Taxpayers

**Preserve** Essential Services

**Promote** Economic Growth

# Stopping the Tax Madness



\*In millions

# SMART GOVERNMENT

# “Responsible, Bipartisan Compromise”

\$1.7

BILLION

BALANCED BUDGET

NO TAX LEVY  
INCREASE

PROTECT AAA  
CREDIT RATINGS



# Hurricane Sandy





# Emergency Operations Center

# New Castle





saf(er)

communities

# School Safety Symposium



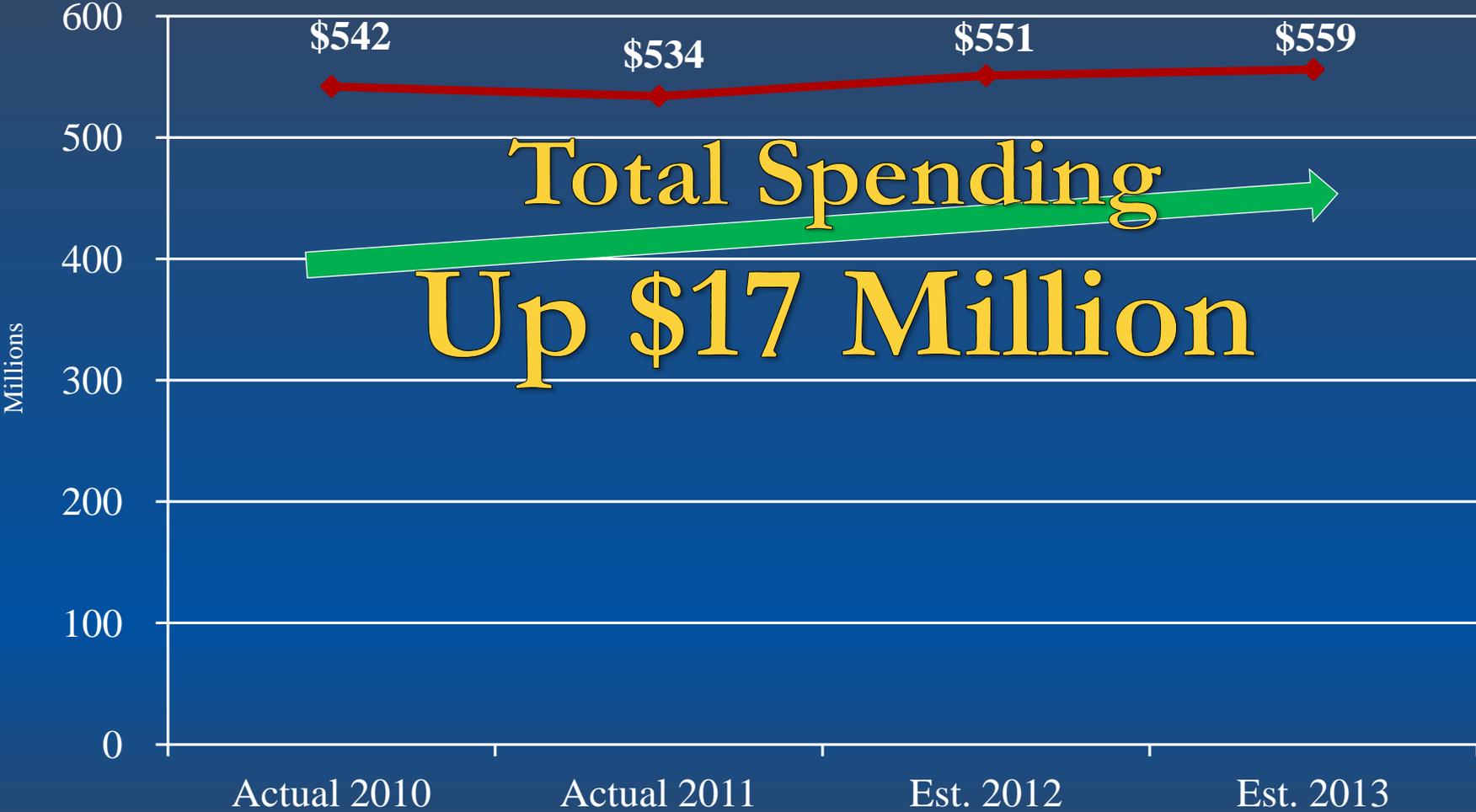
# Community Violence Prevention Forum



saf(er)

communities

# Social Services Budget



\* Numbers do not include the inter-governmental transfer (IGT).

# Day Care Slots Up

Up 18%, or 593 slots



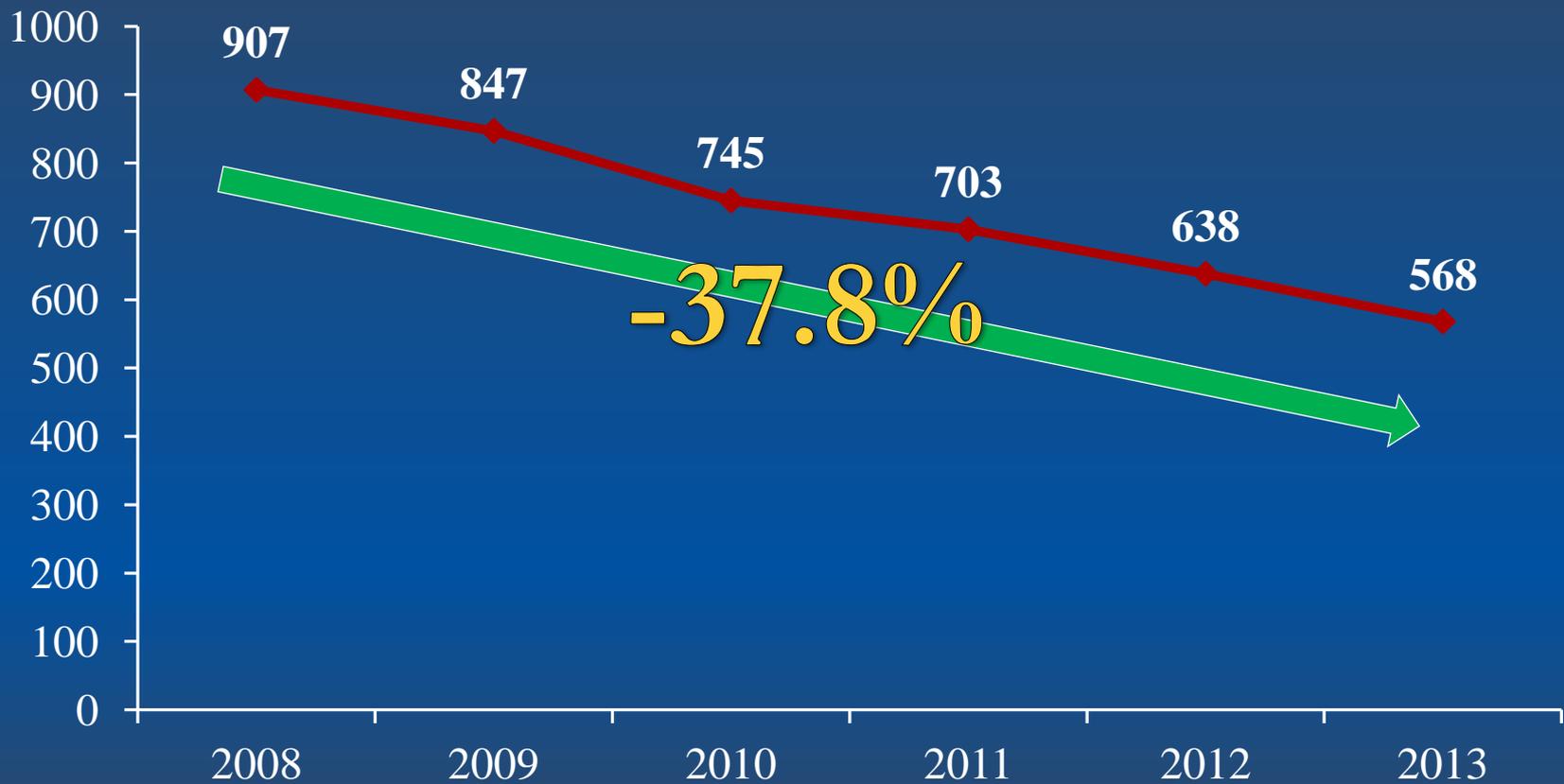
3,223

2010

3,816

2013

# Foster Care: Caseloads All-Time Low



**Promote  
Economic Growth**



Scott Vaccaro,  
Captain Lawrence  
Brewing Company

Maria and Pablo  
Morales,  
Bake-Me-A-Wish

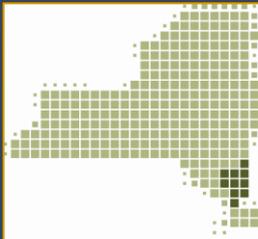


**Promote  
Economic Growth**

# Record of Accomplishment

- ✓ \$500 million in new investment
- ✓ 4,800 jobs retained
- ✓ 4,600 new jobs





# Westchester County

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*Office of Economic Development*

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## The top 10

Large metro areas with the highest  
% of residents with college degrees.

RANK	METRO AREA	% WITH DEGREES
1	Washington	47.3%
2	San Francisco	43.5%
3	San Jose, CA	43.2%
4	Raleigh, N.C.	42.2%
5	Boston	42.2%
6	Austin, TX	38.7%
7	Minneapolis	37.6%
8	Denver	37.6%
9	Seattle	37.4%
10	New York	35.6%

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

**45%** of people age  
25+ have at least a  
bachelor's degree

# Intel Finalists



Jiayi Peng,  
Chappaqua

Daniel McQuaid,  
Ossining



Chris Traver,  
Croton

# Star Athletes



Mary Cain,  
Bronxville

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Saniya Chong,  
Ossining

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# Unfunded Mandates:

## Strangling Schools, Governments



\$225 M  
Medicaid

\$91 M  
Pensions

\$42 M  
Preschool  
Special-Ed

\$40 M  
Public  
Assistance

**85%**

**of County Tax Levy**

\$3 M  
Youth  
Detention

\$13 M  
Early  
Intervention

\$15 M  
Probation

\$17 M  
Child  
Welfare

\$18 M  
Indigent  
Defense

# Pensions: Soaring Out of Control

2001 \$3.3 M

2008 \$35 MILLION

2012 \$81 MILLION

2013 \$91 MILLION

\* 2013 Budget

# Ahead of Schedule: Units With Financing

300

2013 Goal

305

April 2013

Actual





# Westchester's top 10 immigrant groups: Surprising in their diversity

Newsday, April 5, 2013



Photo credit: Xavier Mascarenas | Hashir Raja, 4, of Monsey, waves an American flag while on his father's lap during the naturalization ceremony for his mother, Rina Ayub, originally of Pakistan, at Clarkstown High School South in West Nyack. (April 5, 2013)

### Galleries



Rockland County naturalization ceremony

Nearly one in every four Westchester residents is an immigrant, with many of the country's foreign-born not just hailing from Latin America but also from Jamaica, Italy, India and China, according to a new analysis that is surprising even the experts.

In a first-ever Top 10 ranking of home countries for Westchester's largest immigrant communities, Mexico led the list in 2011, followed by the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Ecuador, Italy, Guatemala, India, Colombia, China and Peru.



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC 20410

May 13, 2011

Mr. Kevin Plunkett  
Deputy County Executive  
Westchester County  
148 Martine Avenue  
White Plains, NY 10601

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

By letter dated April 28, 2011, HUD disapproved Westchester County's ("County") FY2011 annual action plan based on HUD's rejection of the County's FY 2011 certification that it will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH"). Pursuant to Section 105(c) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act and 24 CFR 91.500, this letter provides the specific reasons for HUD's disapproval of the action plan as well as actions the County can take to meet the criteria for approval. The rejection of the County's AFFH certification is based on HUD's review of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice ("AI"), submitted on April 13, 2011 ("Submission").

In a letter dated December 21, 2010 ("December letter"), HUD identified deficiencies in the County's AI submitted on July 23, 2010, provided specific ways that the County could remedy the noted deficiencies, and offered further technical assistance for a revised AI. The County was given until April 1, 2011 to submit an acceptable AI. The Submission came to HUD on April 13, 2011, twelve days after the April 1, 2011 deadline. The Submission demonstrates limited progress in addressing the concerns outlined in the December letter, but it falls short of certain clear expectations. In this regard, the Submission remains substantially incomplete and unacceptable to HUD. To meet the criteria for HUD approval, the County must submit a revised AI that provides a clear response and specific goals and timetables for the corrective actions set forth in this letter by June 13, 2011. HUD will reconsider the County's AFFH certification(s) based on the submission of a revised AI. HUD will contact the County in the next five days to provide technical assistance to the County.

**Reasons for Disapproval and Corrective Actions**

The County's Submission does provide some specificity and discussion in response to the December letter, primarily in Chapter 12 of the document in terms of promotion of a model ordinance and its outreach and education efforts. It does not, however, adequately address certain other concerns raised in the December letter that were based on applicable HUD regulations, the Fair Housing Planning Guide ("FHPG") and requirements in the August 10, 2009 Stipulation and Order of Settlement ("Settlement"). The corrective actions set forth in this letter require a substantive response from the County for HUD to deem the AI acceptable and approve its action plan.

“beyond the four corners of the Settlement”

- HUD, May 13, 2011

# “restrictive zoning practices”

- HUD, March 13, 2013

- Size of lot
- Size of development
- Number of bedrooms



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March 13, 2013

*By email*

Kevin J. Plunkett  
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Re: *Westchester County Action Plan Certifications*

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

This letter addresses our review of the County's supplemental zoning submissions to the Monitor since our April 20, 2012 letter.<sup>1</sup> We undertook the review to determine whether the submissions, together with the County's earlier submissions discussed in our April 20 letter, provide sufficient evidence to support the County's certifications that it will affirmatively further fair housing ("AFFH"). As you know, federal law requires a satisfactory and accurate AFFH certification to receive community planning and development formula grants from HUD.

Upon review, HUD has determined that the supplemental zoning submissions do not provide sufficient evidence to support the County's AFFH certification. Specifically, the County has failed to conduct a proper analysis of exclusionary zoning practices and to develop a clear strategy to overcome such practices, including litigation. In this regard, the County refuses to apply established legal precedent in examining whether a zoning ordinance has a discriminatory or segregative impact. In addition, the County failed to analyze five out of the six restrictive zoning practices identified by the Monitor for examination. With respect to the one practice reviewed by the County, single-family zoning districts with certain minimum lot size/area requirements, the data examined by the County is too limited to support its conclusions.

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New target:

10,768

\$1 BILLION



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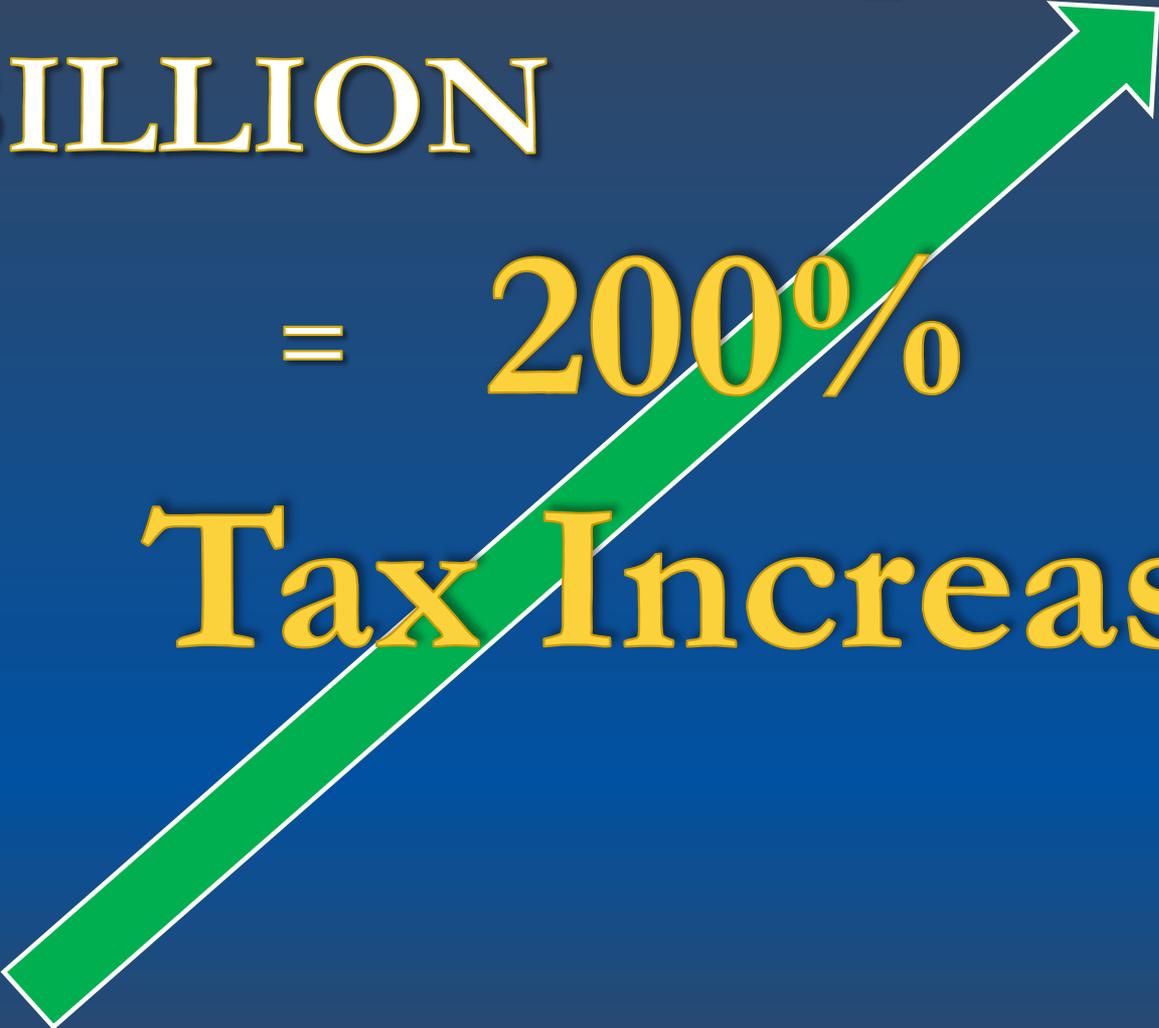
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HUD's "Grand Experiment"

\$1 BILLION

= 200%

Tax Increase



# HUD Is Hurting the Very People it Claims to Help by Withholding \$12 Million

- ➡ Homeless prevention programs
- ➡ Foreclosure counseling
- ➡ Neighborhood rehabilitation
- ➡ Youth and seniors programs

# Tale of the Tape

## **IN Settlement**

- **31 communities**
- **750 units**
- **\$51 million**

## **NOT in Settlement**

- **Entire county**
- **10,768 units**
- **\$1 billion**

# Position Westchester for the Future

# Tappan Zee Bridge





# Protecting the Environment



# REINVENTING PLAYLAND FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY





Sustainable  
Playland





# State of the County Address

Robert P. Astorino, County Executive

April 23, 2013