

SULLIVAN COUNTY LAND BANK: PUBLIC COMMUNITY SPACE - MONTICELLO, NY

SCLBC acquired 9 vacant parcels through donation in the Fall of 2018, comprising an unbuilt portion of a housing subdivision in the Village of Monticello, located in the heart of the Sullivan County Catskills. Referred to collectively as, Bailey Commons, the parcels are located a short walk from Broadway, the historic downtown. Grant funding totaling \$12,500 was obtained from the Laura Jane Musser Foundation and Sullivan Renaissance to implement this community project during the Summer of 2020. Working in conjunction with Sullivan County Center for Workforce Development Summer Youth Program, Phase 1 was completed. Work was accomplished in spite of COVID-19, resulting in a ¼ mile trail throughout the property. The total contribution by the County program was \$28,854, in staff time and supplies. A ribbon cutting was held on Thursday, August 20th and local officials, organizations and residents showed their support for the youth that worked on this great community asset project. Overall the project was successful and resulted in outdoor public space for the community to use. SCLBC is currently planning Phase 2 for Summer 2021.

