

# County Executive Launches Online Dialogue

*Dutchess Dialogue another tool to engage residents  
& improve the way government operates*



**Poughkeepsie, NY...**Dutchess County Executive Marcus J. Molinaro continues the County's efforts to connect and engage residents with the launch of "Dutchess Dialogue" – a series of online webcasts at [dutchessny.gov](http://dutchessny.gov) designed to inform and educate residents about the issues and opportunities impacting Dutchess County government and its taxpayers. Dutchess Dialogue webcasts will feature short videos on a wide variety of topics such as unfunded mandates, shared services and consolidation, the criminal justice system, workforce size, and much more. Residents will then have an opportunity to share their feedback through brief surveys, action items and comment submissions.

County Executive Molinaro said, "We work for the residents of Dutchess County and we want to hear from you. Help us understand what is most important to you and your family and find out how your input and feedback can change the way government does business. The input we get from our residents helps us to enhance our programs and service



delivery, identifies areas where we can further improve efficiency, and lets us know when we need to change direction. Be part of the conversation, be part of our Dutchess Dialogue."

The Dutchess Dialogue webcasts are designed to compliment ongoing efforts to get input from residents and community stakeholders. Social media presence including Facebook and Twitter, redesigned county website and public forums are all part of efforts to generate public involvement. Since taking office in 2012, County Executive Molinaro has hosted more than 30 town hall style forums all across Dutchess County in order to provide residents updates about what is happening in county government and learn more about the issues that impact residents and their families. Upcoming events will be in held in Red Hook, East Fishkill and Beekman.

County Executive Molinaro provided a preview of Dutchess Dialogue this morning at the New York Association of Counties (NYSAC) annual fall conference in Buffalo, NY, attended by several hundred county officials from across the state. County Executive Molinaro discussed Dutchess County's ongoing efforts to transform how government operates to make it smarter, smaller and more effective at the conference's General Closing Assembly "*Maximizing Efficiencies in Government.*"

To go directly to the Dutchess Dialogue webpage, go to  
<http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/CountyExecutive/23644.htm>