

# THE MONROE 2030 ACTION TEAM

## Summary of Recent Activities #3: July 2016

This note is part of our regular updates on the activities of the Monroe 2030 Action Team. You can learn more about the initiative at: <http://www.monroecountypa.gov/Dept/2030Action/Pages/default.aspx>

Since our last update of March 2016, our three task forces—focused on issues related to small business, workforce development, and community collaboration—have each held numerous meetings and have each developed a preliminary set of action plans that will be implemented over the coming months.

Early proposed action items include a number of new ideas, including:

- The development of a guide to starting a new business in Monroe County
- An expanded economic development role for the Monroe County Planning Commission
- Updates to help improve and expedite current planning processes related to new and expanding development projects
- A new website and coordination effort—tentatively called Community Monroe—to better publicize new education, training, and career opportunities in Monroe County.

These ideas, and many others, will be presented in the forthcoming report: *Monroe County 2030 Action Team: Our Work Plan (Version 1.0)*. This report will share more information about our planning efforts, and provide details on how we are beginning a wider community conversation about engaging all of us in promoting economic development in Monroe County. The report will be released later this summer and will also be a prime topic for discussion at the annual Economic Outlook Summit, to be held at East Stroudsburg University on September 9, 2016. We look forward to seeing you there and we welcome your continued input and interest in the work of the Monroe 2030 Action Team, and in the future of Monroe County.

We will continue to provide updates on our efforts. To learn more, visit the 2030 Action Team link at <http://www.monroecountypa.gov/>.