

NEWS RELEASE

**Village and Town of Perry
Shared Municipal Services Study
and
Public Survey**

The Village and Town of Perry have been awarded a Local Government Efficiency Grant from the NYS Department of State. The grant funds will be used to conduct a study to identify measures that the two municipalities can take in order to provide local government services in a more cost-efficient manner. The ultimate goal is to save tax payers money.

Local government merger has been a topic of much discussion in recent months across New York State and the NYS Legislature has enacted a law to make it much easier for residents of villages to successfully petition for the dissolution of their respective villages. Several alternatives to merger, however, exist which enable municipalities to reduce operating costs by sharing services without merging. These alternatives to merger will be the focus of the Village and Town of Perry Shared Services Study.

The Village and Town have appointed a Shared Services Project Committee to oversee the study. The Committee would like determine if Perry residents and business owners and operators support the efforts of the Village and Town to find ways to operate more cost efficiently by sharing municipal services with each other and potentially with neighboring municipalities. To this end, the Shared Services Project Committee is requesting Perry residents and business owners and operators to complete a short survey questionnaire. A Web-based survey has been developed so Perry residents can complete the survey questionnaire online at their convenience. The link to the survey questionnaire can be found on the Village of Perry's website at the following Web address.

<http://www.villageofperry.com/>

Hardcopies of the survey questionnaire are available at the following locations for persons who do not have access to the Internet. Drop-off boxes have also been provided at these locations for returning completed surveys.

- Perry Village Hall
- Perry Public Library
- Perry Town Hall
- Perry Food Market

Contact Perry Village Administrator Terrance Murphy at 585-237-2216 or tmurphy@villageofperry.com for additional information or questions about the Shared Municipal Services Study.