



Mixed-Use
Housing



Local Business
Growth



Village
Identity



Pedestrian
Safety



Recreational
Connectivity



Improve Collins Park with Accessible Restrooms and Gateway Entrances



Project Location

Collins Park along
Schonowee Ave

Project Type

Public Improvement

Project Sponsor

Village of Scotia

Property Ownership

Village of Scotia

Total Project Cost

\$1,124,000

NY Forward Request

\$702,000

Sponsor Match

38%

Project Overview

The project will improve Collins Park through coordinated accessibility and entrance upgrades, including replacement of the existing restroom facility, construction of a new two-stall ADA-compliant restroom on the park's east side, and enhanced park gateway features. Work will include demolition, foundations, plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems, utility connections, accessible routes, grading, restoration, signage, and related site work.

These improvements will make the park more welcoming and inclusive, support recreation and community events, and strengthen the connection between downtown and the waterfront.

Comments

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Existing restroom facilities and entrance features do not fully meet current needs for accessibility, capacity, visibility, and visitor experience. The Village previously secured OPRHP funding, completed detailed design and bid documents for a broader improvement program, and advanced Phase I playground work. The current proposal narrows the NY Forward scope to the two restroom improvements and entrance/gateway elements.

The Village has the legal authority, staff structure, and financial systems to implement public capital projects and reimbursable grants. Recent experience includes an \$8.8 million firehouse, OPRHP-funded Collins Park work, TAP-funded multimodal trail improvements, CDBG Village Hall accessibility work, and other State and Federal projects.

Accessible restrooms and a more welcoming park entrance will improve a signature public space, support recreation and community events, and strengthen the connection between downtown and the waterfront.

The Village owns the site. Prior Collins Park work produced detailed design and bid documents for a broader improvement program that included SEQR and SHPO review for the proposed components.



Public Improvement

Medium

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