



# Village of Owego

178 Main Street, Owego, New York 13827

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April 10, 2002

Dear Resident and Business Owner:

## **WE NEED YOUR OPINION - IT'S IMPORTANT!**

The Village of Owego faces many challenges. How can it accommodate new economic development and provide for needed community facilities? How can it grow and preserve its historic character? What can be done to strengthen the downtown? These are critical questions. We've decided, for this reason, to prepare a Strategic Plan, building on earlier work and previous surveys. **We need your help.**

This Plan will examine the Village's needs and opportunities. It will lay out a strategy for best dealing with them. It will provide a foundation for downtown and Village-wide initiatives to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life in the Village.

This is a very important matter . We need your help in completing the attached survey. **We'd also like you to come to special meeting on Thursday, April 18 at 7:00 PM at the Owego-Apalachin Middle School on Elm Street where we'll discuss the survey and some of the major issues and opportunities confronting Owego.**

Please take time to complete the attached survey and return it to us by April 30, 2002. **All survey responses are strictly confidential and will be used for no other purpose.** The individual surveys, in fact, will be collected unopened and forwarded directly to our consultants for tabulation. The Village will receive only the summarized results.

To verify the authenticity of this survey you may contact the Village Clerk's office at 687-3555. Also, please note the survey must be returned in the envelope provided. Responses returned in other envelopes will be discarded. This is to ensure the independent nature of the survey. If you'd like to know more contact go to our website at [www.shepstone.net/Owego/Owego.html](http://www.shepstone.net/Owego/Owego.html).

Thank you, again, for your cooperation!

Sincerely,

Barbara Fink  
Mayor, Village of Owego