

### Why develop an ADA Transition Plan?

According to the United States Department of Justice, more than 55 million Americans (approximately 18% of the population) have disabilities and by the year 2030, approximately 71.5 million Baby Boomers will be over age 65 and will need services and surroundings that meet their age-related physical needs.

To comply with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), municipal governments are required to prepare an ADA Transition Plan. A Transition Plan should provide an inventory and evaluation of all pedestrian infrastructure, prioritize areas for improvement, and outline a plan to bring all pedestrian infrastructure into compliance with the provisions of ADA.

### How is plan being prepared?

To meet this requirement, the Town of Glenville Economic Development and Planning Department is working with the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) and the Chazen Companies to develop a municipal ADA Transition Plan. Using cloud-based Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping programs, Town staff and Chazen employees are mapping and evaluating all sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, accessible transit stops, pedestrian signals, and multi-use trails.

The plan is particularly important as Glenville continues to add new sidewalks and study the feasibility of creating connections between residents and activity centers like municipal buildings, public parks, commercial areas, and residential neighborhoods.

### Next Steps...

Town officials are asking the public to comment on the plan and to help determine what the priority improvement areas are and what the criteria are for determining those areas. The draft plan and criteria for prioritization is available for review on the Town website. The ADA Transition Plan will also be discussed at the January, 20, 2021 Town Board meeting. Comments can be submitted to [mcherubino@townofglenville.org](mailto:mcherubino@townofglenville.org).

