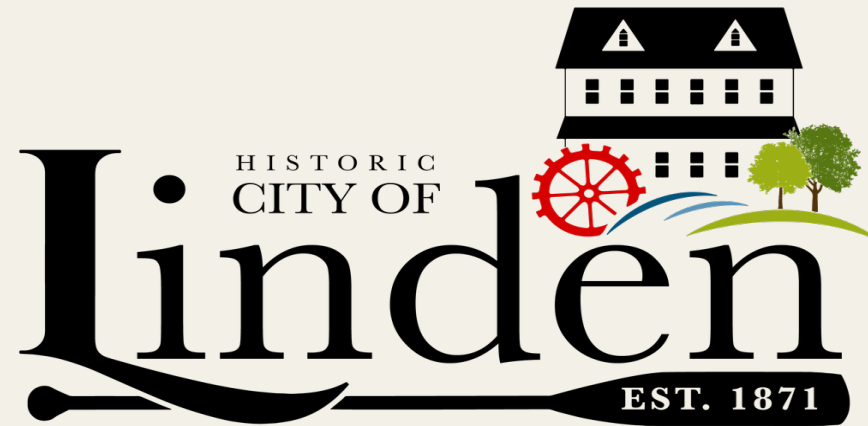




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Lobbying 3.0

Brad Dick, City Councilor, City of Linden








The Issues

- Aging Infrastructure
- Lack of Capacity
- Low Water Pressure
- Old City Owned Wells
- Small Water Towers
- Arsenic

The Solution

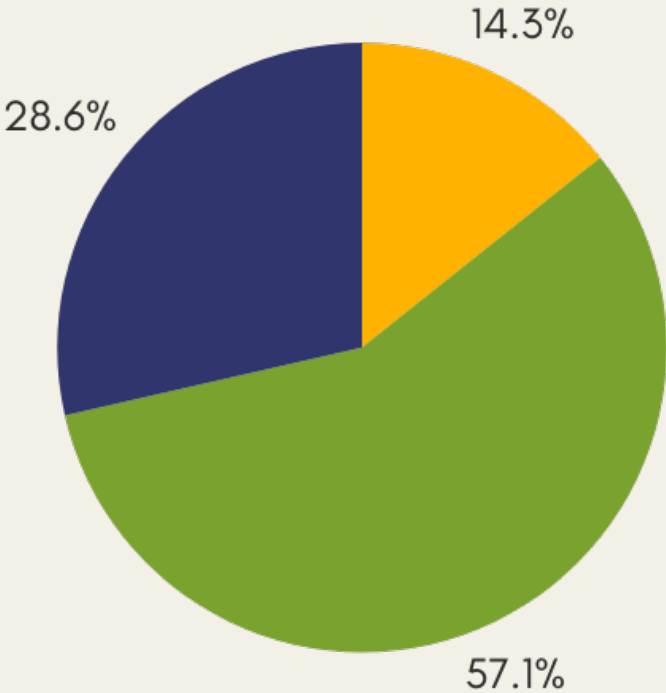
\$7,000,000

In new infrastructure investments to either improve City-owned infrastructure or to join the Karegnondi Water Authority

-  FEDERAL
-  STATE
-  LOCAL

THE ASK

3 MILLION IN FEDERAL ASSISTANCE
4 MILLION IN STATE WATER FUNDS
1 MILLION FROM OUR WATER FUND



The Players

State Representative Mike Mueller 72nd District

U.S. Congressman Dan Kildee MI 8th District

U.S. Congresswoman Kristen McDonald Rivet

Appropriations

01

SUBMITTED TO THE STATE AND DIED IN COMMITTEE

02

THREE MILLION SUBMITTED AND REDUCED TO 1.5 MILLION COMMITTEE APPROVED KILLED BY CONTINUING RESOLUTION

03

1.5 MILLION SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE KILLED BY CONTINUING RESOLUTION

04

100% OF THE PROJECT IS NOW FUNDED BY THE WATER ENTERPRISE FUND AND THE RESIDENTS IT SERVES



Apples into Cider



Saving the Historic Mill





JOIN US...

Linden Mills Project
Official Groundbreaking Ceremony

October 14  11:00 a.m.

201 North Main St., Linden

REMARKS FROM CITY OFFICIALS & STATE REP. MUELLER'S OFFICE
PROJECT PARTNERS • TURNING OF THE SOIL

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY:



The Rescue

REPRESENTATIVE MUELLER
SECURES A FOUR MILLION DOLLAR
GRANT TO SAVE LINDEN'S HISTORIC
MILL BUILDING

Our 150-year-old Mill, the first building in Genesee County to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is currently undergoing a 5.6 Million Dollar Renovation.



Relationships

LINDEN HAD BEEN SEEKING FUNDING FOR OVER TEN YEARS FOR THE MILL BUILDING RENOVATION.

Even though the Mill Building is the Landmark for Linden. The Historic Building needed improvements to ensure it would last another 150 yrs.

Lobbying 3.0+



1

KNOW YOUR STATE
REPRESENTATIVES
& STAFF



3

MAKE SURE THEY
KNOW YOU & YOUR
CITY, TOWNSHIP,
VILLAGE, ETC.



2

KNOW YOUR
FEDERAL
REPRESENTATIVES
& STAFF



4

AVOID POLITICS AND
HAVE CONVERSATIONS

Results

Linden received four million dollars, which we didn't lobby for in the traditional sense. We applied for over seven million dollars in water funding at both the state and federal levels. We lost on all fronts, but we tried. Our state representative reaches out and asks, "How much to renovate the Mill building?"

He knew we needed help with the Mill Building, first because he lives in Linden, and second because we talked to him about it and the proposed project. He saw an opportunity to secure a grant for the renovation and brought in four million in funding for his district.