



# County of Rockland Office of County Executive C. Scott Vanderhoef NEWS RELEASE

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## Rockland County Executive Reviews Two Centuries of History and Economic Development With Future Leaders

(Orangeburg, NY) County Executive C. Scott Vanderhoef today presented leaders from Rockland's businesses and not-for-profit organizations with a colorful overview of several centuries of Rockland County history and economic development. The group was part of *Leadership Rockland*, an educational program which brings local leaders together with the goal of identifying, informing and inspiring them through a series of programs that showcase best practices that exist within the county.



*Leadership Rockland* participants get tour of DHS Systems soft-walled shelter plant in Orangeburg.

Vanderhoef, one of the program's founders, captivated the group with his expertise and knowledge of county history, including interesting anecdotes about famous Rocklanders, and crucial facts about the growth and development of various parts of the county.



County Executive C. Scott Vanderhoef shares his expertise and knowledge of county history with *Leadership Rockland* participants.

"The *Leadership Rockland* class of 2012 continues to gain an enhanced knowledge of Rockland County, and over the coming months, I believe, will be prepared to demonstrate that they are most capable of bringing positive change to their local communities," said Vanderhoef. "For two decades *Leadership Rockland* has had a record of success in connecting participants with people and ideas, and as a result, leaders have emerged who have been helpful in moving Rockland County forward."

The County Executive also imparted special praise for DHS Systems LLC, which hosted today's event as "an example of a Rockland Business success story." He went on to add: "This Orangeburg-based company has evolved to become recognized around the world as the leader in soft-walled shelter technology and support equipment for military, homeland security and emergency medical situations."

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