

Authority Mission Statement and Performance Measurements

Name of Public Authority: Griffiss Local Development Corporation

Griffiss Local Development Corporation's Mission Statement:

Griffiss Local Development Corporation's mission is to promote, facilitate, and oversee the redevelopment of the former Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, NY through the implementation of a comprehensive redevelopment strategy (Which includes the development of the Griffiss Business and Technology Park) and to maintain, strengthen, and expand the viability of the remaining Air Force and other Federal assets including the Air Force Research Laboratory, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, and the Eastern Air Defense Sector.

Date Adopted: October 28, 1994, Reaffirmed by Board action & vote on **March 26, 2026**

List of Performance Goals (in bold) (If additional space is needed, please attach):

- **Promote, facilitate, and oversee the redevelopment of the former Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, NY**
- **Implementation of a comprehensive redevelopment strategy**
- **Maintain, strengthen, and expand the viability of the remaining Air Force and other Federal assets**

2025 Griffiss Business Park Performance:

GLDC's Featured Projects

- **Installation of nine new disc golf baskets enhances recreational experience and community engagement.**
- **Significant landscaping upgrades improve visual appeal and ecological health at park entrances and trail locations.**

Griffiss Institute

- **Blueprint 2030 aims to support 25 startups annually and raise a \$25 million venture fund.**
- **Innovare Advancement Center fosters academic and industrial partnerships, opening new innovation pathways.**
- **450 interns placed across 40 companies, with some programs attracting over 1,000 applications for 50 positions.**

Air Force Research Lab

- **Developed a groundbreaking supercomputer using 1,763 PlayStation 3 consoles for neuromorphic computing.**
- **Designated as a national resource for counter-drone technologies, addressing evolving warfare challenges.**
- **Research in quantum computing includes plans for a quantum network across New York State.**

Griffiss Trail Upgrades

- **Extensive repairs to the blacktop path along Route 825 improve safety and accessibility for**

pedestrians and cyclists.

212 Hangar Road Demo

- **Demolition funded by the EPA Revolving Loan Fund began in fall 2025, with plans for a 102,000 SF office building.**

Building 776

- **Proposed sublease for 22,410± sq. ft. for ICAN daycare services, with 88 spots created and a tentative opening in fall 2026.**

Additional questions:

1. Have the board members acknowledged that they have read and understood the mission of the public authority? **GLDC reviewed the mission statement and reaffirmed it via resolution on March 26, 2026.**
2. Who has the power to appoint the management of the public authority? **The twelve-member Board of Directors annually reviews and adopts a budget that includes administrative services fees.**
3. If the Board appoints management, do you have a policy you follow when appointing the management of the public authority? **The Board of Directors decides through annual**

consideration of the staff services agreement between GLDC and Mohawk Valley EDGE to contractually engage the professionals of EDGE to provide services. Mohawk Valley EDGE is a staff of economic development professionals that GLDC would otherwise have to retain through excess expenses, i.e. directly, it would have to retain an individual CFO and economic development expertise in carrying out its duties and functions.

4. Briefly describe the role of the Board and the role of management in the implementation of the mission. The Mission of the Griffiss Local Development Corporation (GLDC) was developed by the Board of Directors through much consideration and discussion. The GLDC board is an independent body of members who all take their roles and responsibilities as members very seriously. They consider the facts and implications when making determinations. They turn to the Authorized Representative to provide insight and recommendations. However, all final decisions reside with the voting members of the Corporation.

5. Has the Board acknowledged that they have read and understood the responses to each of these questions? All members participated in drafting, presenting for discussion, and appraising these responses.