



MEDIA ALERT

For Immediate Release

Governor's Office of Storm Recovery Invites Public to Attend Meeting of Go to High Ground Steering Committee

Public meeting will bring steering committee members together and provide progress updates.

New York, New York (April 7, 2016) – The Governor's Office of Storm Recovery (GOSR) invites members of the public to attend a meeting of the Go to High Ground (GTHG) Steering Committee. Associated with the GTHG Planning and Feasibility Study– developed by the NY Rising Community Reconstruction (NYRCR) Program's Staten Island Committee and the College of Staten Island (CSI)– the meeting will bring members together to discuss progress and provide feedback on education and outreach plans, as well as implementation strategies. With a diverse membership representing varied interests and regional organizations, the Steering Committee will continue to play an integral advisory role throughout the course of the study, and seeks to promote collaboration with City, State, and federal agencies as well as non-governmental and business organizations. The GTHG project aims to create a wayfinding signage program, examine potential locations for automobile parking, examine legal and regulatory barriers, and conceptualize education campaigns related to storm preparedness throughout the borough of Staten Island. The effort began on July 1, 2015 and is expected to be completed in January 2017. The original announcement is available here: http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/sites/default/files/go_to_high_ground_study_release.pdf

**When: Tuesday, April 12
5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.**

**Where: Staten Island Borough Hall
10 Richmond Terrace #2
Staten Island, NY 10301**

Who: New York State Governor's Office of Storm Recovery

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Established in June 2013, GOSR coordinates Statewide recovery efforts for Superstorm Sandy, Hurricane Irene, and Tropical Storm Lee. Through its NY Rising Housing Recovery, Small Business, Community Reconstruction and Infrastructure programs, more than \$4 billion made available through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant- Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program to better prepare New York for future extreme weather events. More information about the GOSR and its programs is available online at <http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/>.