### Additional Resiliency Recommendations

Additional resiliency recommendations include projects and actions that are not categorized as Proposed or Featured Projects.

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| A1 Strategic Adaptation Study and Long-term Action Plan | - Identify long-term retreat and resilience options for Merrick and Bellmore to protect future residents and business from higher occurrence and more intense storms/surges.  
- Work with flood insurance providers to study existing models and assumptions.  
- Use a combination of climate change and sea level rise forecasts and actual events to develop triggers for changes to zoning, planning and building regulations. | Community-wide |
| A2 Voluntary Property Acquisition Program Study | - Study potential impacts of existing voluntary acquisition program on Bellmore and Merrick.  
- Focus on strategies to acquire open space in extreme risk areas for public use. | Neighborhoods along the waterfront and canals south of Merrick Road |
| A3 Inclusive Housing Plan | - Develop a housing plan to accommodate the region's aging population and provide new housing opportunities for first-time buyers.  
- Maintain and support existing housing programs that provide funds to purchase and rehabilitate vacant or abandoned properties.  
- Work with Nassau County, the State and private developers to establish a relocation assistance program that gives residents relocated due to strategic adaptation priority in new developments.  
- Provide tax incentives and direct incentives for residents to assist with the adaptation and relocation process, and work with developers to increase density in less vulnerable areas and provide more housing options for community residents. | Community-wide |
| A4 Senior Education Campaign | - Study to identify ways to better reach Seniors during storm events and support their needs following events.  
- Education campaign to increase emergency preparedness awareness. | Community-wide |
| A5 Improve resilience of Community Marinas | - Develop emergency preparedness and evacuation procedures for marinas, including uniform procedures for securing vessels.  
- Study and develop guidelines on managing stormwater, adapting to sea level rise and climate change and monitoring and responding to erosion.  
- Develop an outreach and education module for marina operators and boat owners. | Waterfront areas |
| A6 Downtown and Commercial Corridor Resiliency Plan | - This project includes a comprehensive planning and resiliency study to re-envision the downtown and commercial corridors in both Merrick and Bellmore.  
- The study would address opportunities for housing, emergency response and recovery services, alternative energy and microgrid implementation, stormwater management, traffic improvements, and zoning and building code updates. | Sunrise Highway and Hewlett Avenue, Sunrise Highway and Bedford Avenue, Merrick Road, Additional commercial corridors if desired |
| A7 Merrick Road Streetscape Improvements and Urban Design Guidelines | - Study to identify ways to make Merrick Road more walkable and attractive.  
- Improved guidelines for commercial development so businesses are oriented to the street and create a better sense of place.  
- Identify opportunities to plant street trees and underground utilities. | Merrick Road |
| A8 Emergency Parking | - Designate areas outside of flood zones to be used by residents in evacuation zones for off-street parking and storage during emergencies and major storm events without being ticketed or towed. (This may include new structured parking near rail stations). | Various locations |
| A9 Natural Gas Infrastructure Modernization | - Work with National Grid to modernize natural gas distribution infrastructure.  
- Identify and invest in implementable technologies to better regulate and isolate natural gas lines in the event of damage or leakage.  
- Connect residents and businesses to gas lines where service is available, and expand service into areas of need. | Community-wide |
| A10 Emergency Animal Shelters | - Work with local businesses and organizations to establish a refuge center for animals or families with animals to go to during a storm emergency or flood event.  
- Establish a program to recruit volunteers, such as local veterinary professionals or students, to help manage the facility. | Various locations |
| A11 Residential Generator Rebate Program | - Provide rebates for residential installations of natural gas generators.  
- As part of a homeowner energy education program, provide residents with an overview of the permitting process and outline regulatory requirements for installation. | Community-wide |