Village of Freeport
Community Reconstruction Plan
Public Engagement Meeting #3

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 – 7:00 PM
Freeport High School Cafeteria
Welcome
Team – Planning Committee

• G. Dewey Smalls, Co-Chair
• Rob Weltner, Co-Chair
• Ken Bellafiore
• Rich Cantwell
• Paul Eberst
• Ellen Kelly

• Cynthia Krieg
• Jim Ruocco
• Chris Squeri
• Rev Ed Jusino
• Joe Madigan
• Anthony Fiore
Team – Planning Team

Provided by the state to assist the committee with preparing the plan

– Nassau County Regional Lead
  • Laura Munafo

– State Planners
  • Nancy Rucks, Department of State
  • Terra Sturn, Department of State

– Consultants
  • Arup
  • Sasaki
  • Urbanomics
  • HealthX
Tonight’s Presentation

1. Welcome
2. Overview of NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program (NYRCR)
3. Projects
   - Proposed Projects
   - Featured Projects
   - Additional Resiliency Recommendations
4. Open House – Learn, Rate, & Enhance
Overview of NYRRCR Program
NY Rising Program

• Empowers localities severely damaged by Superstorm Sandy, Hurricane Irene, or Tropical Storm Lee

• Culminates in a community-driven recovery plan for the Village of Freeport:
  – Identifies resilient and innovative reconstruction projects
  – Considers current damage, future threats, and economic opportunities
# Program Process and Timeline

## The NYRCR Program Timeline

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- **Organize For Action**
- **Inventory Assets**
- **Determine Needs and Opportunities**

**Concept Plan**
- **Risk Assessment**
- **Engage in Regional Planning Process**

**Develop Strategies for Investment & Action**

**Final NYRCR Plan**
Work Completed

- Conceptual Plan
  - Community Assets
  - Needs / Opportunities
  - Vision, Goals, Strategies
- Risk Assessment
- Project Development
- Cost-Benefit Analysis

Final NYRCR Plan

Addressing Recovery, Reconstruction, and Resiliency

1. Community Planning and Capacity Building
2. Economic Development
3. Health and Social Services
4. Housing
5. Infrastructure
6. Natural and Cultural Resources
Issues

• Travel routes and information for disasters are not clear
• Resource and information centers are not available within the community
• There’s a need for employment opportunities in new industries
• Economic development opportunities outside of flooding risk areas exist
• 4,000 houses are in high and extreme risk areas
• Large quantities of paved surfaces makes storm drainage and infiltration difficult
• Many elements of Freeport Electric’s supply and distribution system are vulnerable
Approach to Projects

- Can’t stop a major storm surge, but can reduce future damage and address tidal flooding
- Energy resiliency for every home could not be addressed within budget
  - BUT ensuring power at Community Resiliency Centers can
- Focus on life safety and improving access in and out of extreme risk areas
- Acknowledging need for better regional information about water systems and shoreline
  - Better inform future capital projects
- Supporting local business continuity
- Evaluate opportunities for commercial and residential uses on ‘higher ground’
CDBG-DR Funding

• Funds have been allocated to the Village of Freeport for recovery efforts involving
  – prevent further damage
  – economic development
  – housing
  – infrastructure

• Funds may not duplicate, but can complement funding from other sources such as
  – FEMA
  – the Small Business Administration
  – the US Army Corps of Engineers
Project Definitions

• Proposed Projects
  – Proposed in whole or in part for the community’s allocation of CDBG-DR funding

• Featured Projects
  – Meet CDBG-DR funding requirements but exceed allotment; are eligible for other identified funding; regulatory reforms; or do not involve capital expenditures

• Additional Resiliency Recommendations
  – Projects the Committee would like to highlight that are not included above
Next Steps

• Update All Project Descriptions
• Incorporate Community Support for Projects

March 31, 2014 – Final NYRCR Plan
Public Engagement Event #4 – Plan Presentation
Projects
Village of Freeport currently has...

- 19 Proposed Projects
- 10 Featured Projects
- 11 Additional Resiliency Recommendations
- $17,780,855 CDBG-DR Allocated Funding

Posters around the room provide details of these projects.
Proposed Projects

- Freeport Channel Electrical Cable Crossing Improvements
- Outage Management System
- Protection for Freeport Electric’s Power Plant II: Phase I: Study and Design
- Downtown Microgrid Phase I: Financial and Engineering Feasibility Study
- Public Bulkhead Repair
- Backup Power for Sewer Lift Stations
Proposed Projects

Lifeline Road Networks Phase I: Street Light Retrofit
Lifeline Road Networks Phase II: Signage
Community Resource Centers

Operation SPLASH: Resilience Education Center
Nautical Mile Buoyant Architecture
Proposed Projects

- Regional Transit Oriented Development, Access and Parking Study
- Revise Zoning and Building Codes for Resilience
- Modernize the Industrial Park Study
Proposed “Shared” Projects

- Integrated Communication Network
- Business Continuity
- South Shore Stormwater System Modeling and Analysis
- South Shore Conditions Analysis and Restoration
- Regional Energy Action Plan
Featured Projects

- F1 – Downtown Microgrid Phase 2: Redundant Energy Supply at Power Plant I
- F2 – Downtown Microgrid Phase 3: Redundant Distribution Surrounding Microgrid
- F3 – Protection for Freeport Electric’s Power Plant II Phase II: Construction
- F4 – Convert home heating to natural gas in extreme and high risk areas
- F5 – Regional Stormwater Drainage Cleanout, Survey and Verification
- F6 – Lifeline Network Phase III - tree maintenance and guidelines
- F7 – Green Infrastructure Plan
- F8 – Green Infrastructure Implementation: Main Street Improvements
- F9 – Green Infrastructure Implementation: Meadowbrook Corridor Improvements
- F10 – Study viability of relocating or protecting DPW
Open House: Learn, Rate, and Enhance
Instructions

1. Visit each project poster
2. Share local knowledge by filling out Project Comment Cards
3. Complete your Participant Questionnaire
   ✓ Rate each project high, medium, low
   ✓ Indicate top five priorities
4. Share your priorities with sticky dots
5. Return your questionnaire as you leave
Project Comment Card

1. Write in the Project ID
2. Provide your feedback
   - Support project and why
   - Missing information
   - Potential challenges to implementation
   - Any duplication
   - Who support or advocate
3. Return card at each station
Rate & Rank

1. Complete the Participant Questionnaire rating each proposed & featured project

2. Select the 5 projects you believe are most important
   - Write projects on questionnaire
   - Post sticky dots on Prioritization Poster
Open House
Learn, Rate, and Enhance