Lower Manhattan
Public Engagement Meeting #2
University Settlement at the Houston Street Center

December 2nd, 2013
NY Rising Program

Key Strategies

Breakout Session

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NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Overview

**New York State assistance** for rebuilding after Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, Superstorm Sandy

10 NY Rising Community planning areas in New York City
Lower Manhattan planning area
Diverse funding sources to be considered in the planning process

**NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Funds:**
- Up to $25 million for Lower Manhattan
- Additional funding available under NY Rising to the Top Competition

**Additional select federal funds:**
- CDBG-DR
- Army Corps of Engineers appropriation
- FEMA: Public & Individual Assistance, Hazard Mitigation Grants
- Social Services Block Grants
- Federal Transit Authority & Federal Highway Administration Relief
- Clean Water & Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

**Additional select state and city funds:**
- NYS - Recreate NY Multi-Family Housing Mitigation/Elevation Grant Program
- NYC - Build it Back (CDBG-DR)
- NYC - Small Business Matching Grant Program (CDBG-DR)
- NYC - Nonprofit Recovery Loan/Grant Program
DOS has appointed a Planning Team to provide technical assistance to the Planning Committee

**Lower Manhattan Planning Committee**

Planning Committee Co-Chairs
Catherine McVay Hughes & Dan Ackerman

Committee Members

**NY State Government**

NY Rising
Community Reconstruction Program
Director: Jamie Rubin

NY Rising: NYC Planning
NYC Lead Planner: Steve Ridler
Regional Leads: Claudia Filomena & Alex Zablocki

NY Rising:
Lower Manhattan Community Planners
Fred Landa & Ron Rizzotti

**Planning Team**
HR&A Advisors/Parsons Brinckerhoff
The Planning Team brings together multidisciplinary expertise

Primary Lead
Project Management, Real Estate, Economic Development

Co-Lead
Planning, Coastal Protection, Infrastructure Engineering, Natural/Coastal Management

Urban Design
Landscape
Healthcare
Emergency Response

David Berman

Healthcare Landscape Urban Design

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The Planning Committee is working towards a Community Reconstruction Plan supporting specific goals

**Goals**
- Increase resiliency of key assets
- Address short, medium, and long-term risks
- Balance costs and benefits
- Protect vulnerable populations
- Drive economic growth
- Coordinate with regional initiatives
- Outline steps for implementation

**Community Reconstruction Plan**

**Six Recovery Functions**
- Community Planning & Capacity Building
- Health & Human Services
- Economic Development
- Housing
- Infrastructure
- Natural & Cultural Resources
Plan steps & major milestones

Meeting Objectives

1. Identify Assets and Risks
2. Define Needs, Opportunities, and Vision
3. Identify, Evaluate, and Prioritize Projects and Actions
4. Identify Funding Sources, Develop Implementation Plan
5. Create Final Community Reconstruction Plan
In next phase, preliminary initiatives are prioritized and categorized:

**STRATEGY**

**Short-term project**
- Short-term
- High priority
- Possible to fund through NYRCR or other readily-available program

**Short-term recommendation**
- Short-term
- High priority
- Policy recommendation

**Long-term project/recommendation**
- Long-term
- Large scale/cost
Parallel initiatives underway are being monitored and possible synergies explored

- Special Initiative for Rebuilding and Resiliency (SIRR) Report
- Seaport City integrated flood protection
- MTA system resiliency upgrades
- HUD Rebuild by Design Competition
### Planning schedule

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- **Planning Committee Meeting**
- **Public Meeting**
- **Deliverable**

**Public Meeting #2: December 2\(^{nd}\)**
Initial public and committee feedback captured in the Lower Manhattan Conceptual Plan

http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr/community/lower-manhattan
## Initial public and committee feedback

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Key strategies

1. Improve emergency preparedness, response, and recovery

2. Increase resiliency of small businesses

3. Increase residential resiliency

4. Increase infrastructure systems resiliency
Strategy: Improve emergency preparedness, response, and recovery

Source: CAAAV
Strategy: Improve emergency preparedness, response, and recovery

- Increase **capacity** and coordination of **community organizations** to serve constituents
- Improve quality and capacity of the area’s **evacuation center**
- Enable **vulnerable individuals** to better endure severe weather-related events

Source: CAAA AV
Strategy: Increase resiliency of small businesses
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- Provide publicly-available educational resources
- Provide direct technical and financial assistance
- Encourage corridor-level solutions
Strategy: Increase residential building resiliency
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- Provide **training** and **education** programs for landlords and property owners to implement resiliency upgrades

- Pilot **grant program** to offset costs of resiliency upgrades and insurance

- Recommend approaches to **streamlining approvals** for building resiliency improvements
Strategy: Increase infrastructure system resiliency

Source: MTA
Strategy: Increase infrastructure system resiliency

- **Telecom**: Sustain cell phone towers and mobile charging stations with renewable, redundant power sources
- **Transportation**: Support projects to increase capacity for people to evacuate after emergency events
- **Coastal Protection**: Encourage coastal protection improvements
- **Open space**: Support nonprofits in implementing open space resiliency upgrades

Source: MTA
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Discussion tables

- Small Business Resiliency
- Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery (x2)
- Residential Resiliency
- Infrastructure: Coastal Protection & Open Space
- Infrastructure: Transportation & Telecom
Additional stations

- NY Rising Program Information
- Lower Manhattan Conceptual Plan
- Interactive Online Map
OpenPlans interactive mapping website

http://nyrisingmap.org/
For more information, go to:

stormrecovery.ny.gov/community-reconstruction-program
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