



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

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013

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# **NY Rising Program**

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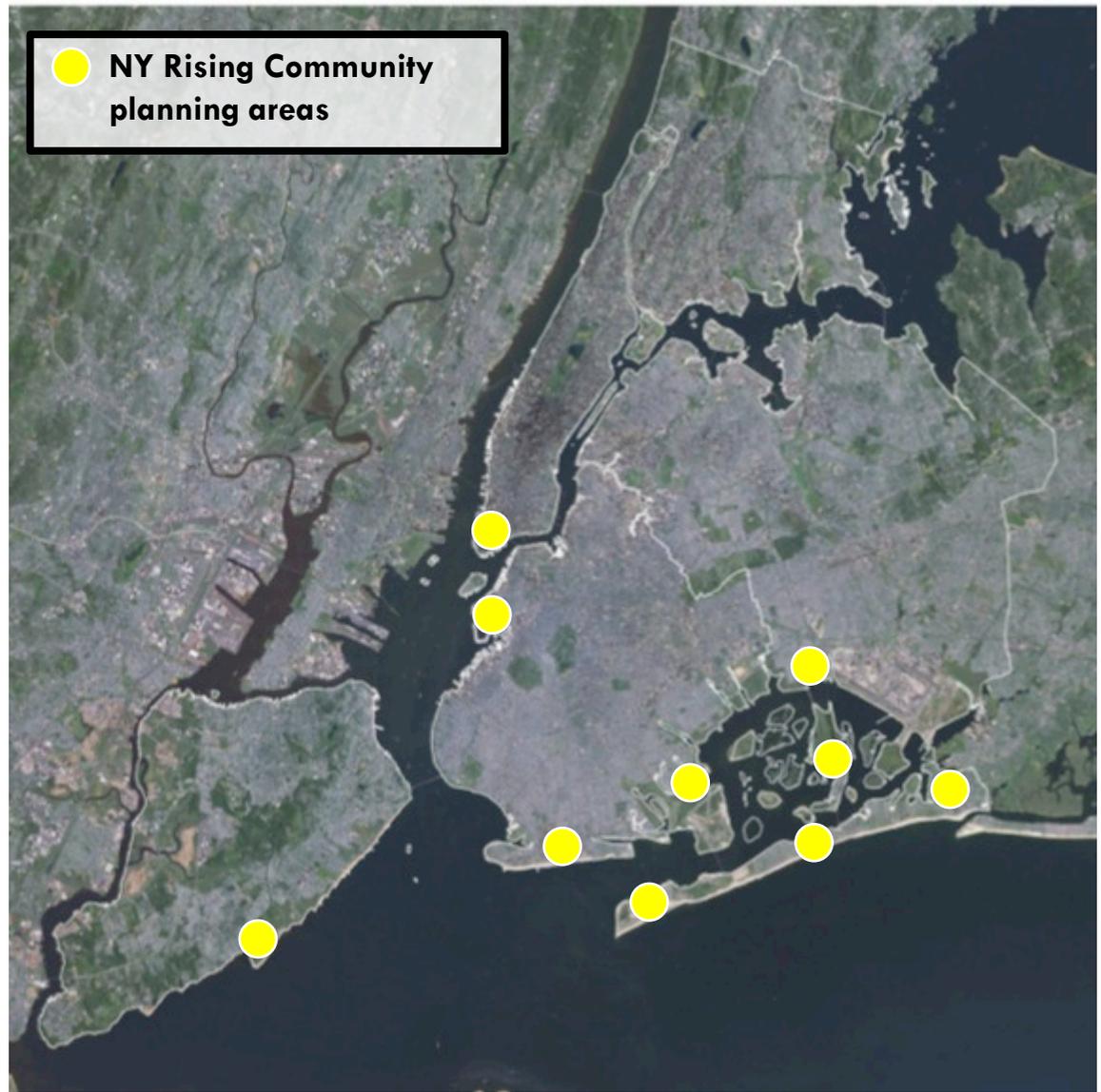
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# NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Overview

**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



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## Diverse funding sources to be considered in the planning process

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### **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

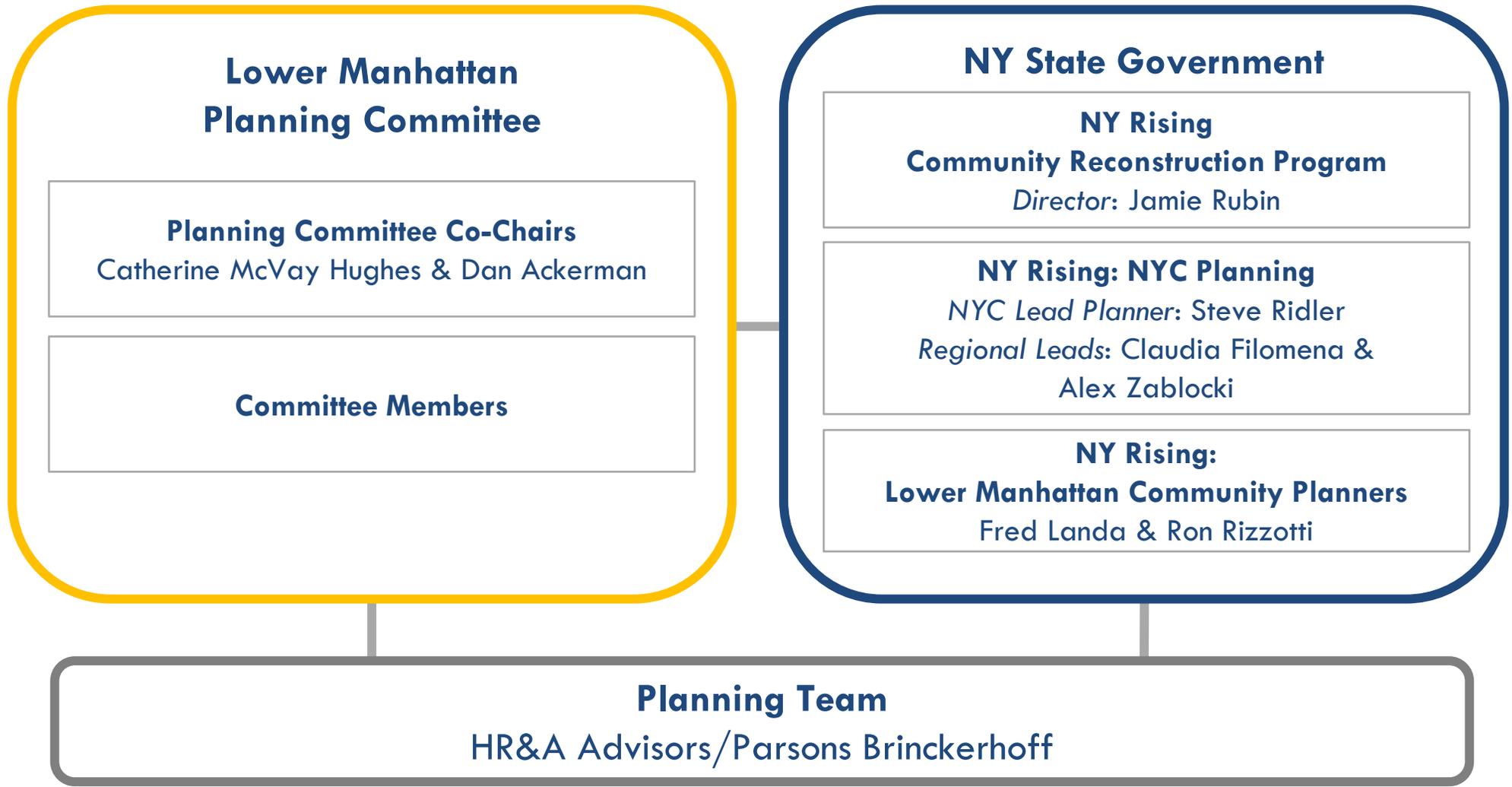
### **Additional select state and city funds:**

- 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

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DOS has appointed a Planning Team to provide technical assistance to the Planning Committee

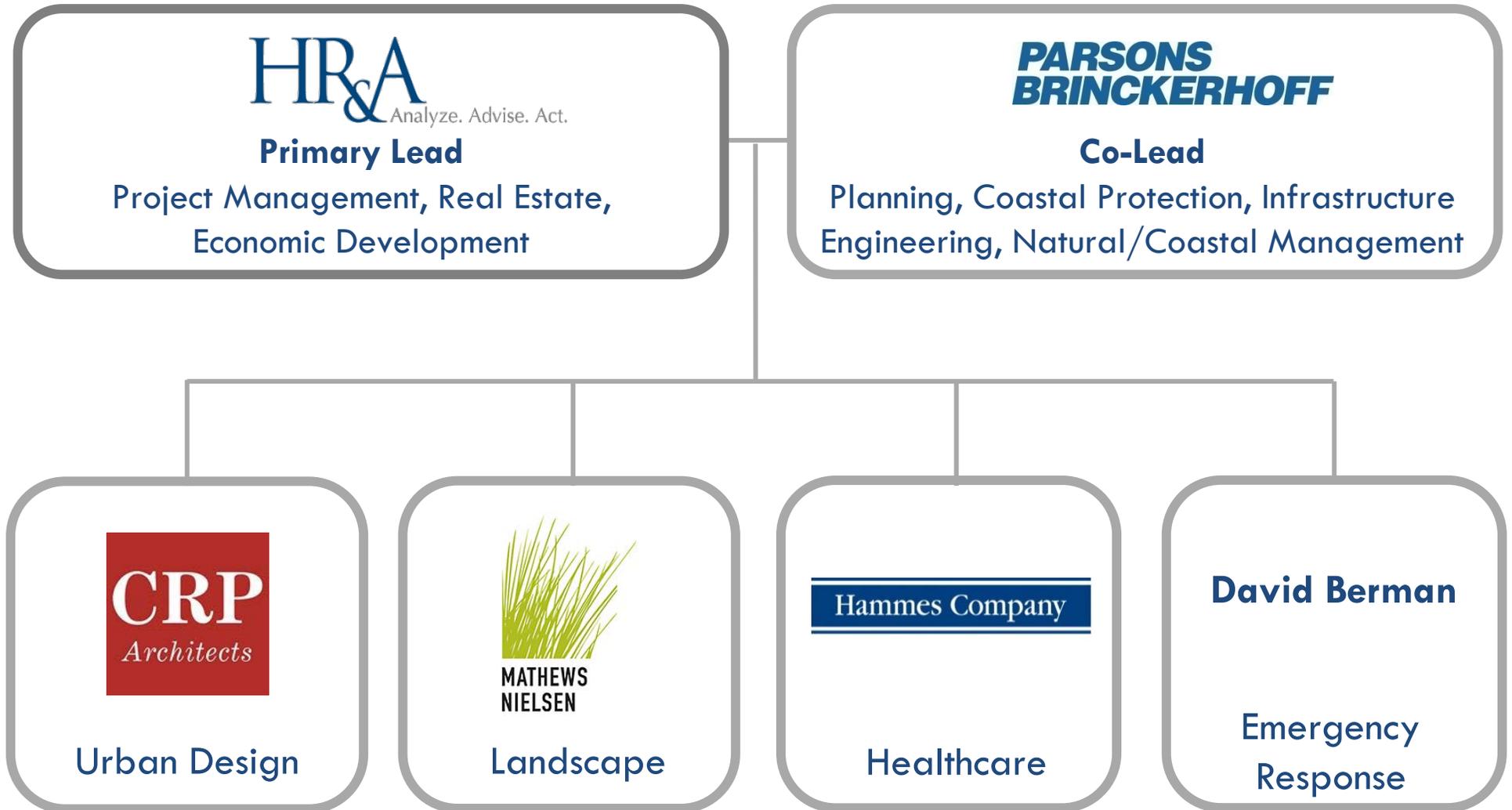
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## The Planning Team brings together multidisciplinary expertise

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

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## Goals

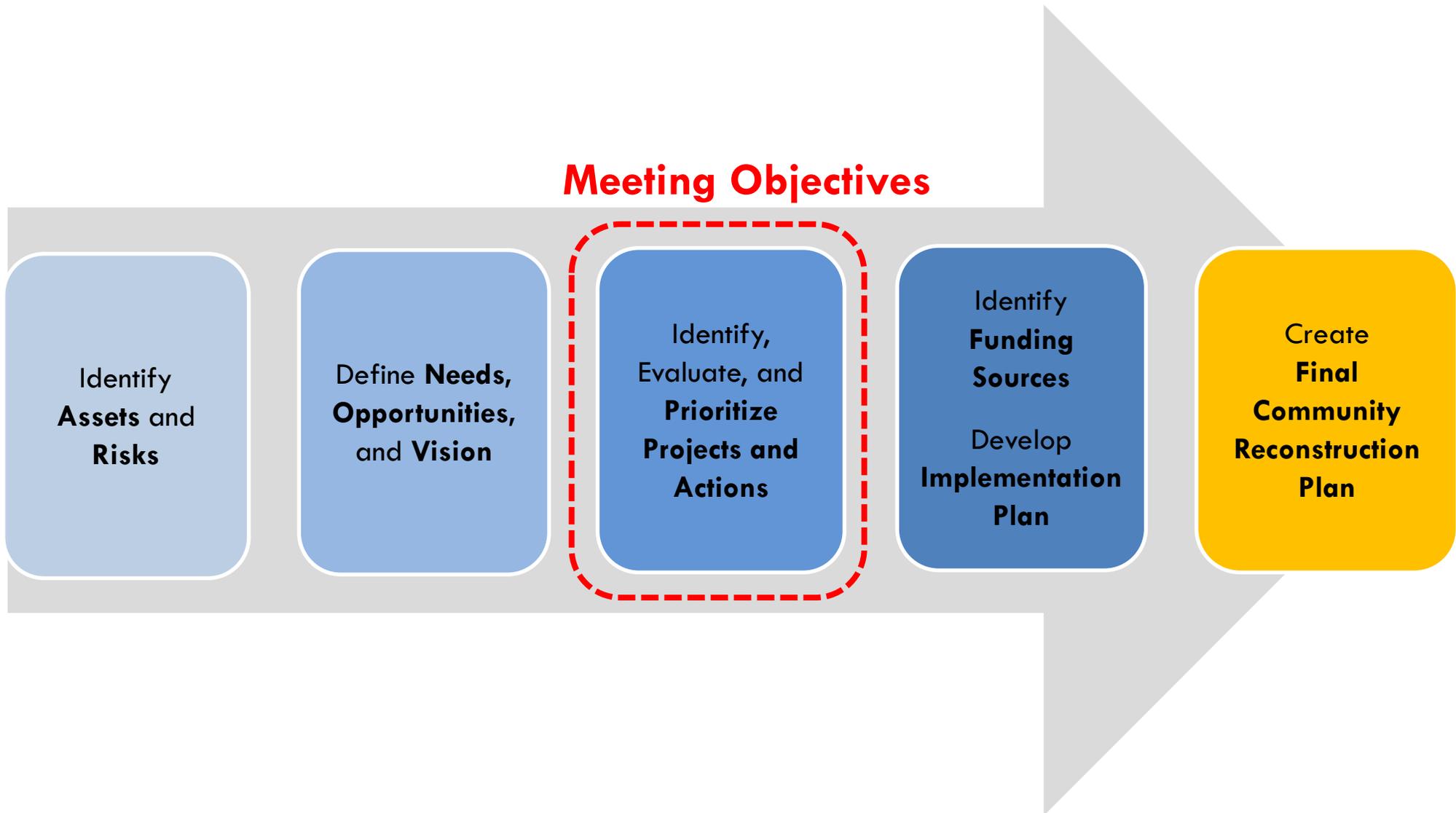
- Increase resiliency of key assets
- Address short, medium, and long-term risks
- Balance costs and benefits
- Protect vulnerable populations
- Drive economic growth
- Coordinate with regional initiatives
- Outline steps for implementation



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## Plan steps & major milestones

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In next phase, preliminary initiatives are prioritized and categorized:

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## STRATEGY

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### 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

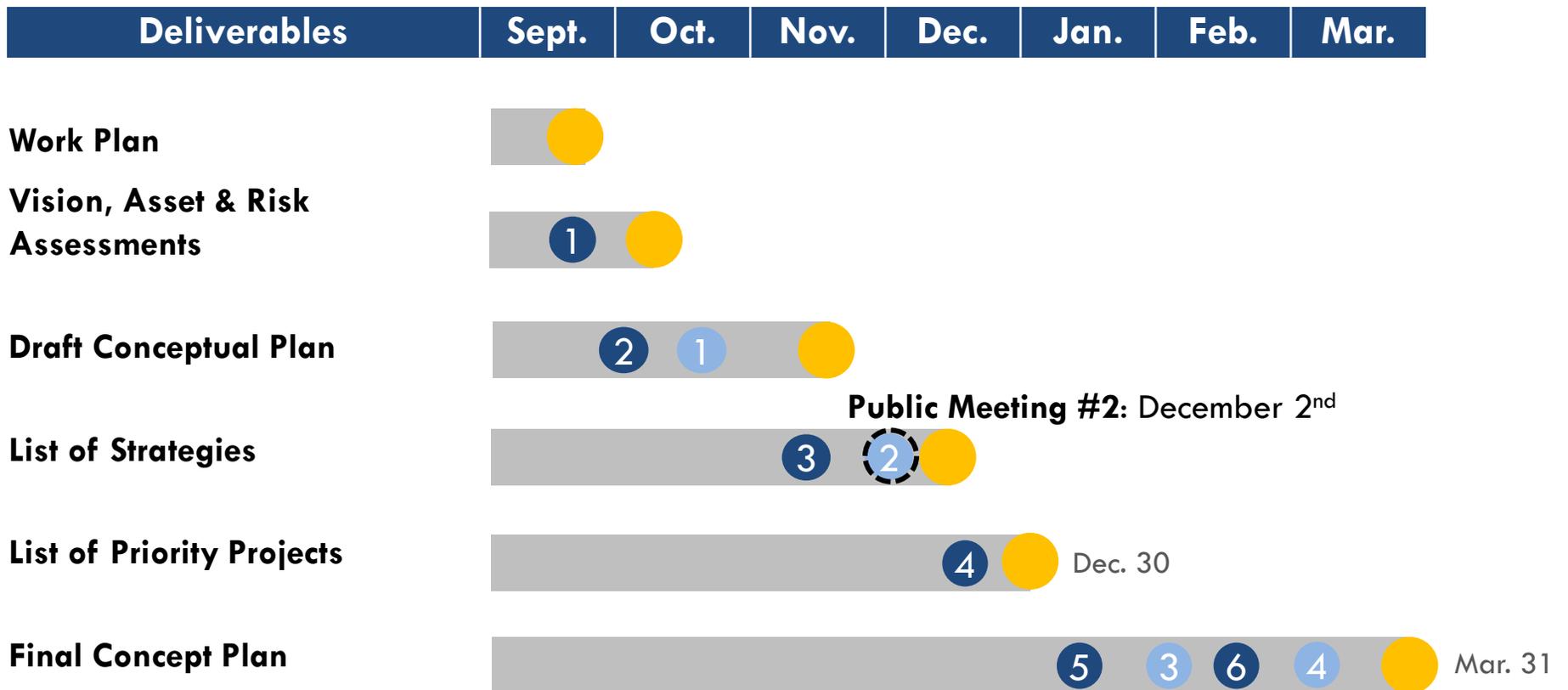
### Long-term project/recommendation

- Long-term
- Large scale/cost



# Planning schedule

- Planning Committee Meeting
- Public Meeting
- Deliverable



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# Initial public and committee feedback captured in the Lower Manhattan Conceptual Plan

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<http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nycrcr/community/lower-manhattan>

# Initial public and committee feedback

Recovery Function	Need	Times Mentioned
COMMUNITY PLANNING & CAPACITY BUILDING	Improved knowledge around preparedness, response, and recovery	18
	Protection of vulnerable populations	11
	Strengthened community organizations	6
INFRASTRUCTURE	Resilient power supply	8
	Coastal flood protection	7
	Resilient and redundant transportation options	4
	Improved drainage	3
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	Resilient telecommunications	1
	Improved and expanded evacuation center(s)	8
	Ensured access to quality healthcare and medicine	3
HOUSING	Ensured food supply	2
	Resilient residential buildings	8
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	Resilient affordable housing	1
	Resilient small business operations	4
NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES	Resilient groundfloor businesses and retail	1
	Resilient public realm	2

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## Key strategies

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- 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**





## 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

**Strategy: Increase resiliency of small businesses**





## Strategy: Increase resiliency of small businesses

- Provide publicly-available educational **resources**
- Provide direct **technical** and **financial assistance**
- Encourage **corridor-level** solutions

**Strategy: Increase residential building resiliency**



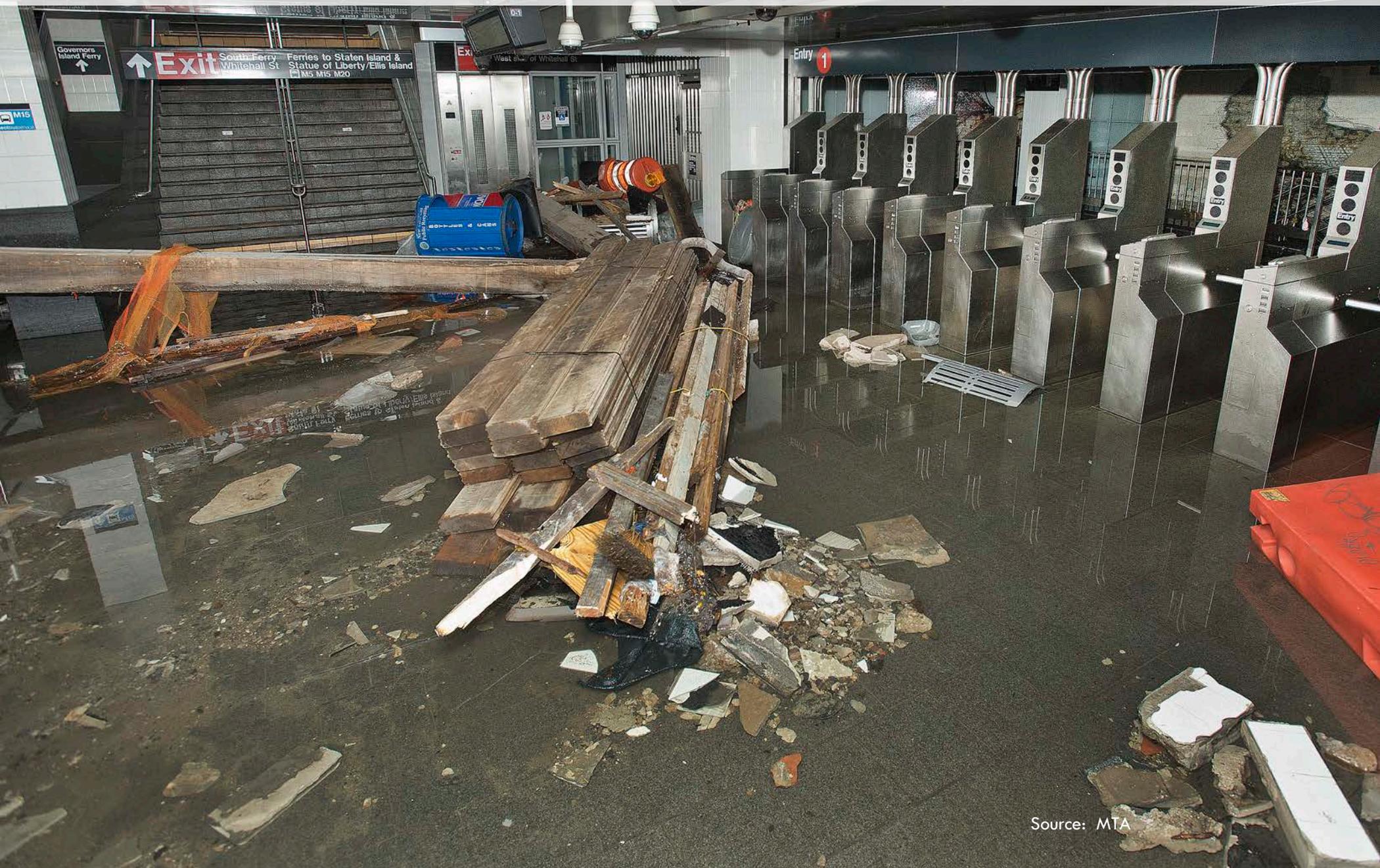


## Strategy: Increase residential building resiliency

- 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



## 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

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## Discussion tables

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**Small  
Business  
Resiliency**

**Emergency  
Preparedness,  
Response, and  
Recovery (x2)**

**Residential  
Resiliency**

**Infrastructure:  
Coastal  
Protection &  
Open Space**

**Infrastructure:  
Transportation  
& Telecom**

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## Additional stations

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**NY Rising  
Program  
Information**

**Lower  
Manhattan  
Conceptual  
Plan**

**Interactive  
Online Map**

# OpenPlans interactive mapping website

<http://nyrisingmap.org/>

The screenshot shows the 'NY Rising: Lower Manhattan' interface. At the top left is the 'NY Rising Communities' logo. The main title 'Lower Manhattan' is in large blue text, with 'WHAT TO DO' in smaller text to its right. On the top right, there are 'SIGN IN WITH' buttons for 'Twitter' and 'Facebook'. The map itself is a street view of Lower Manhattan, with various buildings and areas highlighted in color according to asset categories. A legend on the right side lists these categories: Economic (red), Health and Social Services (blue), Housing (yellow), Infrastructure Systems (purple), and Natural and Cultural (green). Below the legend is a blue button that says 'Comments on the whole neighborhood'. At the bottom right, it says 'Powered by Shareabouts, a project of OpenPlans.' and '© OpenStreetMap contributors, CC-BY-SA. Terms & Feedback'.

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For more information, go to:

[stormrecovery.ny.gov/  
community-reconstruction-program](https://stormrecovery.ny.gov/community-reconstruction-program)

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