

VISION STATEMENT



The Ulster County NY Rising Community Group Reconstruction Process will identify projects to advance a regionally-coordinated plan for resiliency that addresses the specific needs of our 10 municipalities to respond and recover from future disasters.

Our vision is to protect our residents and our man-made and natural resources by implementing ecologically-sound policies and programs that will sustain our local and regional environments and promote further growth in our economies.

TO REALIZE OUR VISION, THE ULSTER COUNTY NY RISING COMMUNITY GROUP WILL:

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- Advance educational outreach to ensure our residents understand natural hazards and how they can protect themselves, their homes, neighborhoods, and communities against future disasters.
 - Develop policy, design, and construction standards to make our community more resilient in the future.
 - Contribute to community recovery and regional preparedness with a defined approach to crisis planning, attracting and retaining volunteers, and enhanced communication between and among our municipalities and emergency services.
 - Cultivate partnerships among private organizations, public agencies, and municipalities to address hazard mitigation, and ensure coordinated preparedness, and response.
 - Identify a plan for business continuity designed to ensure the availability of goods and services, and to advance economic opportunity in the region.
 - Identify and evaluate natural resources, waterways, and watersheds to restore, preserve, protect, and conserve our natural assets, and reduce the vulnerability of our watersheds to storm-related hazards.