Working Together to Build Back Better

Village of Washingtonville
NY Rising Communities Reconstruction Program (NYRCR) Planning Committee
Public Meeting # 2

November 12, 2013
Welcome by NYRCR Planning Committee

The Village’s Path Forward!

- Introduction by Co-Chairs
  - Washingtonville NYRCR Planning Committee
  - NYRCR’s Regional Representative
  - NY Department of State Staff
    - Identify the Consultant

- The Village’s Unique Opportunity
  - The NYRC Reconstruction Program
  - Leverage existing planning
  - Implementation funding to make a difference

- Community Involvement
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The Village’s Path Forward!

➢ Today’s Objectives
  ➢ Overview of NYRCR Planning Process
  ➢ Where We’ve Been, What We’ve Heard
    • Results of Public Meeting #1
    • Conceptual Plan

➢ Obtain additional information from the public

➢ The Committee’s Next Steps
NYRCR Program

Purpose

- Additional rebuilding and revitalization assistance for severely damaged communities
  - Funding to develop NYRCR plan
  - Initial commitment of funding for implementation – ($3 million)
  - Assigned staff from the NY Department of State
    - Professional consultant
- Building on previous planning efforts (i.e. HMP)
- Identify resilient and innovative reconstruction projects
- Identify other needed actions to improve economic growth in Village
- Implement reconstruction projects
NYRCR Planning Process
Plan Components

COMMUNITY VISION

Assets → Needs/Opportunities → Strategies → Projects

COMMUNITY RECONSTRUCTION PLAN
NYRCR Planning Process

Plan Components

- Planning Committee established - local residents
- Complete Community Reconstruction Plan – Required to apply for the $3 million
  - Identify critical assets and vulnerable areas effected by riverine hazards.
    - Social Assets, Economic Assets and Natural Assets
  - Identify needs and opportunities
    - To recover and become more resilient
    - To improve local economic growth
  - Formulate community vision and goals for the Community Reconstruction plan
  - Perform risk assessment and complete HEC-RAS Modeling
NY Rising Communities Planning Process

Plan Components

- Identify and develop reconstruction strategies (Required focus areas).
  - Infrastructure
  - Economic Development/Redevelopment
  - Health and Social Services
  - Housing
  - Community Toolbox
  - Vulnerable Populations
  - Cultural and Natural Resources

- Perform Cost Benefit Analysis for prioritized projects

- Finalize list of prioritized projects

- Develop funding strategies – identify all applicable funding sources

- Apply for initial $3 million of implementation funding
Where We’ve Been, What We’ve Heard
Review Existing Plans and Documents
Where We’ve Been, What We’ve Heard
Your Critical Assets
Where We’ve Been, What We’ve Heard
Your Community’s Vision and Goals

“To create a resilient and vibrant environment in the Village of Washingtonville that embraces the community’s history, charm and character while providing for future economic stability and reducing vulnerability to the effects of natural hazards, flooding and climate change. Through stakeholder driven action the Village will focus on its efforts to recover from the past and most recent storm and flood events by fostering economic vitality and focusing on the safety and well-being of people, property and critical assets.

The Village of Washingtonville will recover from the effects of Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee and past flooding events to create a community that is stronger and more economically robust as a result of re-building and re-visioning. By capitalizing on the social, economic and environmental assets, by protecting vulnerable populations, by maintaining community character and attracting new families and businesses, the Village of Washingtonville will remain a safe, resilient and welcoming place.”
What the Committee Heard

Results of Public Meeting #1 Voting Exercise

Topics Most Important to Meeting Attendees

- Community Toolbox: 53.1%
- Vulnerable Populations: 12.1%
- Housing: 14.0%
- Economic Development: 7.0%
- Health and Human Services: 8.4%
- Cultural and Natural Resources: 3.7%
- Infrastructure: 1.6%
Identify the Village’s Needs and Opportunities in the Seven Required Focus Areas
NYRCR Planning Process
Seven Required Areas of Focus

1. **Infrastructure** (ex: improve roads, bridges, stormwater and drainage, sewer and water, reduce flood vulnerability, etc.)

2. **Housing** (ex: identification of funding for house elevations, relocations, acquisitions, diverse housing options, etc.)

3. **Vulnerable Populations** (ex: implement programs to ensure evacuation or sheltering-in-place of populations that require special assistance during disasters)

4. **Community Tool Box**
   (ex: Better land use codes and enforcement, mixed-use housing, etc.)

5. **Economic Development/Redevelopment**
   (ex: Support of commercial hub, capital projects, branding, support tourism, etc.)

6. **Health and Social Services** (ex: improved access to community center, post-disaster access healthcare, etc.)

7. **Cultural and Natural Resources** (ex: historic preservation, utilization of natural flood attenuating systems, etc.)
NY Rising Communities Planning Process

Seven Required Areas of Focus
### Program Overview

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Where Does the Committee Go From Here?

Program Overview, cont.

6. Evaluate proposed projects
   • Cost-Benefit Analysis
   • Project Timeline and CDBG-DR Project Eligibility
   • External Funding Source Availability

7. Prioritize proposed projects

8. Develop implementation strategies for priority projects.

9. Identify ALL available funding sources.

10. Apply for initial $3 million of CDBG-DR funds.

11. Implement projects.
Thank You

http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr/community/village-washingtonville