

Planning Process

Progress and Next Steps

Resilient Edgemere Community Planning Initiative



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During two public workshops in October and December 2015, the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) and partnering City agencies worked with the Edgemere community to define goals, priorities, and guiding principles for the neighborhood's future. Participants established the main community goals as create resilient housing and maintain neighborhood character, protect the neighborhood from flooding, improve streets and transportation, and increase neighborhood services. While working to accomplish these goals, we seek to:

- Maintain the close-knit, low-density character of the neighborhood
- Prioritize opportunities and services for existing residents
- Focus on rebuilding Sandy-damaged homes

CREATE

In the Create phase, HPD and its partner agencies created a set of draft strategies to achieve the community's goals. In April 2016, we held open houses for the Edgemere community to learn about these strategies, provide feedback, and shape their further development.

FINALIZE

In the Finalize phase of the planning process, we turned the draft strategies for the neighborhood into concrete strategies and projects. The strategies and projects include both programs, like vacant lot clean-ups, and physical projects, such as the construction of a coastal protection feature. The strategies and projects are listed in the final Neighborhood Plan, which will be released in the fall of 2016.

IMPLEMENT

Starting in the fall of 2016, HPD and partner agencies will begin to implement the Neighborhood Plan. Some projects are funded and ready to be implemented soon. Other projects will need to go through a longer public approval process or need outside funding. The Edgemere community will need to play an active, engaged role over the next several years to ensure the successful implementation of the Neighborhood Plan.



EXAMPLE PROJECT TIMELINES

Short term (1-5 years)	Medium term (5-10 years)	Long term (10+ years)
Create resilient and affordable housing on privately-owned land through the NYC Housing Partnership	Develop mid-rise, multifamily buildings with ground floor retail and/or community facilities, where appropriate, along Rockaway Beach Boulevard between B44th Street and B36th Street subway stations	Support U.S. Army Corps' beach restoration and dune system and advocate for proposals within the Rockaways Reformulation Study