



Developing the East New York Community Plan

- The Department of City Planning and other City agencies held numerous workshops, forums, and visioning sessions to hear the needs and goals of community members.
- The proposed Community Plan includes strategies to meet these goals and guide long-term growth and livability in East New York.
- This Plan builds on a two-year study conducted by the Department of City Planning, Sustainable Communities East New York, which identified opportunities for new housing, jobs, and businesses in the neighborhood close to transit.

Next Steps

- The rezoning proposal and other land use actions that are part of the Plan will undergo public review (Uniform Land Use Review Procedure, or ULURP). This is a seven month review process in which the public has a chance to comment on the proposal. The Community Board, Borough President, and City Planning Commission will all hold hearings and issue formal recommendations on the Plan before it is heard and reviewed by the City Council.
- The Plan will continue to be shaped by public comment throughout the ULURP process.
- Other elements of the Plan such as affordable housing preservation, economic development programs, and improvements to parks are not subject to the ULURP process and will continue to be refined with stakeholders.

Where can I get more information & share feedback?

To learn more about the Community Plan, share your thoughts, and stay updated on future events, please visit our website:

www.nyc.gov/eastnewyork

The East New York Community Plan is being developed in partnership with the Department of City Planning, Department of Housing Preservation and Development, Department of Small Business Services, Economic Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, Department of Parks and Recreation, and School Construction Authority, among others.



The Community Plan Process



The East New York Community Plan

The East New York Community Plan is a neighborhood plan to promote affordable housing development, encourage economic development, create pedestrian-friendly streets, and introduce new community resources to support the long-term growth and sustainability of East New York, Cypress Hills and Ocean Hill.

The Department of City Planning and other City agencies held numerous workshops, forums, and visioning sessions to hear the needs and goals of residents. Through this process, community members developed a series of goals for East New York, including opportunities for affordable housing, economic development and improvements to community resources.

To address these goals, the Community Plan includes a tailored East New York Housing Plan, a new 1,000-seat school, a new Workforce1 Satellite Center, an expansion of City Line Park, and other strategies to ensure continued affordability, new job and business opportunities and increased services.

The East New York Community Plan is part of Housing New York, the Mayor's housing plan to build and preserve affordable housing through community development initiatives that foster a more equitable and livable New York City.



The Goals for East New York

- **Protect existing affordable housing** so current residents can continue living in their community
- **Build new affordable housing** for all
- **Promote growth opportunities** for new and existing **businesses and jobs**
- **Add more stores** to neighborhood shopping corridors
- **Transform Atlantic Avenue** into a pedestrian-friendly street
- **Improve and expand parks** and identify sites for **new schools** and

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STRATEGIES for LAND USE & ZONING

- Growth Corridor**
 Allow mixed-use growth with new affordable & mixed-income housing, retail, businesses and community facilities
- Mixed-Use Corridor**
 Allow moderate density development with new affordable & mixed-income housing, retail, businesses and community facilities near transit
- Residential Area**
 Preserve existing low-rise character of side streets by continuing to allow low-scale homes & rowhouses
- Industrial Mixed-Use District**
 Allow moderate density industrial, commercial and residential development
- ENY Industrial Business Zone**
 Maintain current zoning for industrial uses and plan for business and job growth in the ENY IBZ
- Broadway Junction**
 Develop a long-term plan for regional destinations



STRATEGIES for COMMUNITY RESOURCES

- Increase Access to Health Care**
 Expand services of NYC Health + Hospitals in ENY
- Strengthen Local Arts & Culture**
 Enhance capacity of local organizations to provide diverse arts and cultural programming for residents
- Build a New School**
 The City has identified a site and is committed to building a new school with up to 1,000 seats
- Make Atlantic Avenue a Great Street**
 Redevelop Atlantic Avenue with safer crosswalks, a new planted median, new trees and sidewalks
- Improve Connectivity around Transit**
 Implement redesign of Broadway Junction and complete new bike lanes along Pitkin Avenue
- Create New Green Space at City Line Park**
 Redevelop asphalt area to expand active living and recreational opportunities
- Improve Community Open Space**
 Provide new, modern play equipment at Highland Park and rebuild courts at Sperandeo Brothers Park
- Install New Green Infrastructure**
 New curbside rain gardens & trees will manage stormwater to reduce flooding & beautify the street

STRATEGIES for AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- Preserve Existing Affordable Housing**
 - Focus and expand financing and tax incentive programs to **maintain affordability** by striving to preserve all existing government-assisted housing, using the new Green Preservation Program to rehabilitate and preserve affordable housing, streamlining and expanding small home repair loan programs, and enhancing marketing and outreach efforts to enroll buildings in preservation programs.
 - Strengthen community partnerships to **protect residents from displacement** by providing free legal representation to East New York tenants facing harassment, working with the new Tenant Harassment Task Force to investigate and take action against landlords who harass tenants, and **ensuring housing quality** by targeting code enforcement and increasing the number of inspectors.
- Develop New Affordable Housing**
 - Implement Mandatory Inclusionary Housing to ensure that all **new development in the rezoning area provide permanently affordable housing**.
 - Prioritize the development of approximately **1,200 units of affordable housing within the next two years**.
 - Ensure that at least 50% of new housing built in the East New York rezoning area over the next 15 years is **affordable to low- and moderate-income residents**.
 - On private sites that HPD subsidizes, buildings must be 100% affordable and provide apartments at income levels that match those of local residents. On public sites, HPD will require even **deeper affordability levels**.
- Promote Local Economic Development Through Affordable Housing Development**
 - Design programs that **support important neighborhood amenities** like grocery stores in new affordable buildings
 - Expand opportunities for minority- and women-owned businesses and jobs in affordable housing

STRATEGIES for ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Connect Residents to Career Opportunities**
 - Locate a **Workforce1 Satellite Center** in the community to prepare and connect residents to jobs
 - Require projects receiving \$2M or more in HPD subsidy, as well as City contracts of \$1M or more, to **post open positions through Workforce1**
 - Establish new "Industry Partnerships" in retail, hospitality, manufacturing & construction sectors
- Strengthen Commercial Corridors & Promote New Retail**
 - Partner with local community organizations to complete an assessment of the current conditions and needs of commercial corridors in East New York
 - Provide advisory services and resources for **customized commercial revitalization projects**
- Support Business Growth**
 - Provide support to help women start, operate and grow businesses (WE NYC)
 - Help small businesses with lease negotiation and execution
 - Launch **East New York FastTrac Growth Venture Course** to provide business training to owners
- Promote Industrial Business Growth in the Industrial Business Zone (IBZ)**
 - Conduct the ENY IBZ Study with local participation to **transform the IBZ into a thriving jobs center**
 - Invest in and renovate the City-owned Industrial Building
 - Attract new businesses with Industrial Development Agency incentives
 - Improve connectivity in and around the Industrial Business Zone
 - Install new East New York Industrial Business Zone signs