What is the Gowanus Neighborhood Planning Study?

The Gowanus Neighborhood Planning Study seeks to foster a thriving neighborhood by reinforcing and encouraging a robust local economy anchored by a mix of uses and businesses, while creating opportunities for new housing with affordable housing in appropriate locations.

Study Goals

The study will examine ways to balance the range of issues and needs in Gowanus by seeking to:

• support existing and future resiliency and sustainability efforts
• encourage and expand neighborhood services and amenities
• improve streetscapes and pedestrian safety
• explore incentives to preserve and develop space for job-generating uses, including arts, cultural and creative sectors
• promote opportunities for new housing with affordable housing and protect residential tenants against harassment and displacement
• coordinate necessary infrastructure improvements throughout the area to support the continued cleanup of the Gowanus Canal and to accommodate existing and future needs

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About the Department of City Planning

The Department of City Planning (DCP) is New York City’s primary land use agency and is instrumental in designing the City’s physical and socioeconomic framework. DCP’s ambition is to make all of New York a better place to live, to maintain what works and improve what doesn’t.