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Welcome to the *Disaster Recovery Bulletin*, an electronic dispatch for recovery workers produced weekly by the Hurricane Sandy federal disaster recovery coordination team. The bulletin includes information, resources, news and events to serve the recovery effort. Most of the content is organized by sector, allowing readers from a wide range of perspectives to easily find the items of greatest interest to them. If you have questions, comments or calendar items you'd like to submit, please email us at editorNYrecovery@fema.dhs.gov. To subscribe click [here](#). Please help us reach more recovery workers by emailing this to a friend.

Thanks for reading, and keep up the good work!

FOCUS: SIGNS OF RECOVERY

Manhattan

Hurricane Sandy: One year later

Architectural Record, Oct. 22, 2013

Hurricane Sandy has proven to be much more destructive than predicted and with the ongoing argument regarding climate change being a huge factor in future storms, simply rebuilding becomes questionable. Architects must not only assist in raising buildings and strengthening roofs; they are also thinking about how to prepare whole communities for tough future decisions including whether to move people away from areas that can't be protected.

While survivors struggle to rebuild, architects are planning for the next big disaster. Instead of simply building back communities, experts recommend diverse architectural and landscape strategies such as wave-deflecting dunes, water-storing wetlands, and armatures to permit the quick installation of flood walls during emergencies. Tailored to neighborhood conditions, these tactics — some now in design — are more readily implemented and less costly than civil-engineering works.

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Nassau County

Long Beach boardwalk complete, at no cost to residents

Long Beach Herald, Oct. 25, 2013

Residents of Long Beach finally saw their famous boardwalk return. The newly restored boardwalk is a symbol of the resilience and strength of Long Beach as well as the unwavering spirit of the many hard-hit communities across the state that are building back better and stronger.

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Queens

Madelaine Chocolate Company reopens one year after Hurricane Sandy devastation

Daily News, Oct. 22, 2013

One year after Hurricane Sandy turned the candy wonderland into a muck-filled mess, the 200,000-square-foot factory on Beach Channel Drive is again turning out its famous foil-wrapped chocolate balls, cigars and coins. The factory celebrated its official reopening, but the recovery is far from finished. Rockaway's largest employer has been able to re-hire only 125 of its 450 workers while it struggles to rebound from the storm that cost it roughly \$50 million in damages and lost sales.

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IN THE NEWS

Conference eyes uses for Sandy recovery money

Newsday, Oct. 23, 2013

Leaders from Oakdale, Freeport, Babylon and other communities in Long Island told a panel convened by Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo that Long Islanders had little interest in selling their homes to the government and moving out. Therefore, communities have to find smarter and better ways to protect homes and critical infrastructure. Long Island communities outlined proposals for using recovery money, including raising roads, protecting sewage treatment plants and improving backup power supplies.

U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development announces additional \$5 billion in recovery funds

HUD.gov, Oct. 28, 2013

One year after Hurricane Sandy devastated coastal communities in the Northeast region, HUD has allocated a combined \$5 billion through a second round of recovery funds to five states and New York City. Provided through HUD's Community Development Block Grant Program, these recovery funds will assist impacted communities in meeting unmet housing, economic development and infrastructure needs. Grantees will be required to incorporate a risk assessment in their planning efforts to ensure long-term resilience.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Flood insurance in New York City following Hurricane Sandy

Rand Corporation

This report examines dimensions of the changing flood insurance environment in New York City and explores the consequences for the city's residents and businesses.

U. S. Dept. of the Interior Secretary Sally Jewell announces \$162 million for 45 projects to protect Atlantic Coast communities from future storms

U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Oct. 24, 2013

Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell announced that \$162 million will be invested in 45 restoration and research projects to better protect Atlantic Coast communities from future powerful storms by restoring marshes, wetlands and beaches, rebuilding shorelines. The investments are consistent with President Obama's Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force Strategy Report and the administration's commitment laid out in the Climate Action Plan to build resilience by restoring natural features along shorelines to help better protect communities from future storms.

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CALENDAR

Event: Nov. 08

Conversation with Daniel Zarrilli, director of resiliency at the Mayor's office of long-term planning and sustainability

AIA New York

Daniel Zarrilli, the director of resiliency at the mayor's Office of Long-Term Planning and Sustainability, will conduct a presentation on the current outlook of New York's resiliency trends past, present and future. Zarrilli will engage in an informal conversation on policy and planning recommendations being considered for New York City in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

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JOB OPENINGS

Storm Sandy Recovery and Mitigation –Project Manager

Administrative Staff Analyst

Disaster Assistance Construction Specialist - Housing Repair Inspector

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Benefit-Cost Analyst

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