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FOCUS: LONG ISLAND TO GET \$240 MILLION FROM THE STATE

Several [Long Island communities are set to receive \\$240 million](#) through the New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program to make the region's infrastructure stronger after Hurricane Sandy. The state program is funded by Community Development Block Grants, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

On Long Island, Long Beach is expected to receive \$25 million, Oceanside \$22.2 million and Freeport \$17.8 million

In October 2013, 21 communities across Nassau and Suffolk submitted their first rebuilding proposals. Community leaders led public engagement meetings to gather feedback on the proposed projects from local residents and businesses. Projects require strong community support and must be eligible for HUD funding to gain state approval. The final plans must be submitted by the end of March.

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IN THE NEWS

NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

New York parks recover after damage by Hurricane Sandy

Crain's New York Business, February 28, 2014

New York state parks and historic sites had more than 60 million visitors in 2013, setting the second highest annual attendance record. Many of the state's parks and historic sites were closed temporarily to remove dangerous debris left behind by Hurricane Sandy.

\$75,000 state grant helps repair Sandy damage at Nyack Beach State Park

LoHud, March 4, 2014

The state Department of Environmental Conservation Hudson River Estuary Program has awarded a \$74,865 grant to Princeton Hydro LLC to design a sustainable shoreline demonstration project at Nyack Beach State Park. The funds will help repair damage from Hurricane Sandy, stabilize the shoreline in Upper Nyack and improve public use of the park.

Protecting Long Island's south shore

Legislativegazette.com, March 3, 2014

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Department of the Interior have agreed on the details for a project that would protect coastal areas of Suffolk County from natural disasters. The \$700 million plan includes methods to protect endangered species and establishes multiple barriers of coastal protection.

Six miles of Rockaway beaches will be raised by infusion of sand

The New York Times, March 1, 2014

Six miles of Hurricane Sandy-damaged Rockaway beaches will be expanded and raised by as much as 10 to 14 feet above sea level with an infusion of 2.9 million cubic yards of sand. In addition, a new 40-foot-wide boardwalk includes bicycle and jogging lanes.

Post-Sandy cleanup completed at Lido Beach

Longisland.com, March 4, 2014

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service completed a major cleanup of post-Hurricane Sandy coastal debris at the Lido Beach Wildlife Management Area. The operation will ultimately clean up eight of the national wildlife refuge units on Long Island.

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HOUSING

Residents seek replacement of temporary boilers installed after Hurricane Sandy

News12Brooklyn.com, February 27, 2014

This video provides an overview of the New York City Council's Committee on Public Housing's first meeting in Coney Island. Some residents requested temporary boilers that were installed after Hurricane Sandy be replaced. Representatives from the New York City Housing Authority said it has spent nearly \$56 million to operate 24 temporary boilers that won't be replaced until sometime in 2016.

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COMMUNITY PLANNING & CAPACITY BUILDING

Current storm protection proposals are similar to the 1970s "Westway" project

New York Observer, February 24, 2014

This report covers two proposals that the author says seem similar to a project called Westway, which was proposed in the 1970s. The plans - "Seaport City" and "The Big U" - each use landfills to help protect the coastal areas of Manhattan.

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RECOVERY EVENTS

MARCH 14: *Brooklyn Long Term Recovery Group*

Sustainable and resilient disaster recovery training

This one-day training will provide information on sustainable rehabilitation and restoration of flood-damaged property.

MARCH 17: *Center for Architecture*

Presentation: Waterfront housing in a post-Sandy world

Presenters will discuss some of New York City's major waterfront residential developments and will review their plans in response to our changing environment.

MARCH 18: *Bronx Long Term Recovery Groups*

Capacity building, community mapping and coalition building

Free help will be available for homeowners who are in need of foreclosure-prevention assistance, renovation loans, flood insurance or other disaster-related assistance.

MARCH 19: *NYC Department of Environmental Protection*

NYC Green Infrastructure Grant Program workshop

This Manhattan workshop explains the eligibility requirements and online application system for the NYC Green Infrastructure Grant.

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GRANT DEADLINES

DEADLINE: MARCH 17, 2014

Lily Auchincloss Foundation, Inc.

This foundation supports art, preservation and community programs that serve to enrich the lives of the people of New York City.

DEADLINE: APRIL 3, 2014

Request for proposal: business resiliency investment program

The American Eagle Outfitters Foundation strives to create positive change in areas that are important to youth development and environmental conservation.

DEADLINE: MAY 6, 2014

New York City Department of Environmental Protection

The [Department of Environmental Protection](#) has made \$6 million available in grants for community groups, nonprofits and property owners building green projects. There will be three workshops to explain the eligibility requirements and guide users through the application process.

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SANDY RECOVERY GRANTS AWARDED

The American Red Cross has awarded \$250,000 in grants to provide Sandy assistance to Staten Islanders

The American Red Cross has awarded almost \$600,000 in grants to the Health and Welfare Council of Long Island for a volunteer recovery program

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JOB OPENINGS

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