

Superstorm Sandy Alumni

Lessons from Pratt Institute students supporting community resilience

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How has a decade of community-engaged climate mitigation, adaptation, resilience, and justice work since Superstorm Sandy shaped Pratt Institute alumni careers, approaches, and interactions with frontline communities?



Introductions (5 min.)

Framing: Pratt Institute & Community Engagement (5 min.) Reflections (25 min.)

THE RESPONSE with Roxanne Earley THE RECOVERY RAMPS UP with Leonel Lima Ponce THE REBUILDING with Matea Kulusic THE NEW REALITY with Delaney Bianca Morris

Q&A (15-20 min.)





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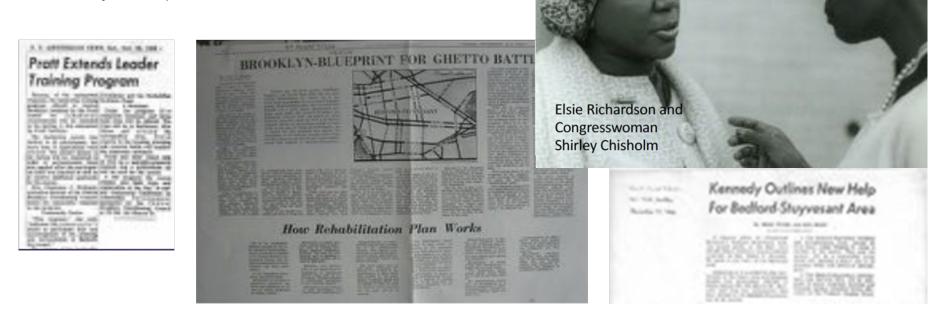
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PRATT INSTITUTE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

PRATT INSTITUTE & COMMUNITY ENGAGED PLANNING: HISTORY

Pratt responds to a request from Church Community Services to undertake a plan for Bedford Stuyvesant. After an initial confrontation, Pratt begins to work with the Central Brooklyn Coordinating Council, a broad based coalition of B-S organizations, and with Elsie Richardson, Chair of its Community Development Committee.



PRATT INSTITUTE & COMMUNITY ENGAGED PLANNING: HISTORY

... IF GOVERNMENT WON'T HELP TO REBUILD, THEN THE COMMUNITY WILL CREATE ITS OWN ENTITY. THE CONCEPT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CDC) EMERGES



PRATT INSTITUTE & COMMUNITY: A PLACE-BASE, ENGAGED APPROACH



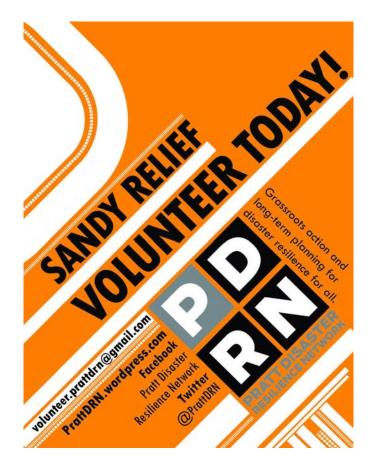
THE RESPONSE

with Roxanne Earley



IMMEDIATE AID: PRATT DISASTER RESPONSE NETWORK

SHORT TERM RELIEF & RECOVERY: PRATT DISASTER RESILIENCE NETWORK





FROM RECOVERY TO RESILIENCE: PDRN TO RAMP



Community networks are critical resiliency infrastructure - social ties are a critical form of response and resilience preparedness are thematic to my career.

Prepare to improve response: community is the first line of defense. Connect as a part of preparedness: networks of neighbors had you long before first responders.



THE RECOVERY RAMPS UP

with Leonel Lima Ponce



Recovery, Adaptation, Mitigation and Planning-RAMP, a post-Sandy initiative of Pratt Institute **Programs for Sustainable Planning and** Development (GCPE), was a suite of studios, classes and public programs that works closely with community partners to address issues of recovery, sustainability and resilience in the face of a changing climate.

Recovery Adaptation Mitigation +Planning

RAMP is an interdisciplinary suite of studios. classes and open workshops that will address issues facing the coastal communities of New York City and the Region post-Sandy.

BEGINNING SUMMER 2013 Summer Session May 13-August 5

In the face of climate change, we must go beyond resiliency to approach the social, economic, and environmental injustices that have plagued neighborhoods for decades at the detriment of us all.

STUDIOS

Community Planning

Green Infrastructure Design/Build

Sustainable Business

Undergraduate Architecture: Repositioning in Place -Strategies for a Resilient Red Hook

Resilience

OPEN WORKSHOPS

Innovative Recovery and

Adaptation Financing

Presenting Policy

Adapting to Rising Currents Community Organizing **Hazardous Materials** Examples from Abroad

Continuing GIS

and Climate Change:

Facilitating Environmental Solutions

Public Housing Grassroots Initiatives for **Building Community**

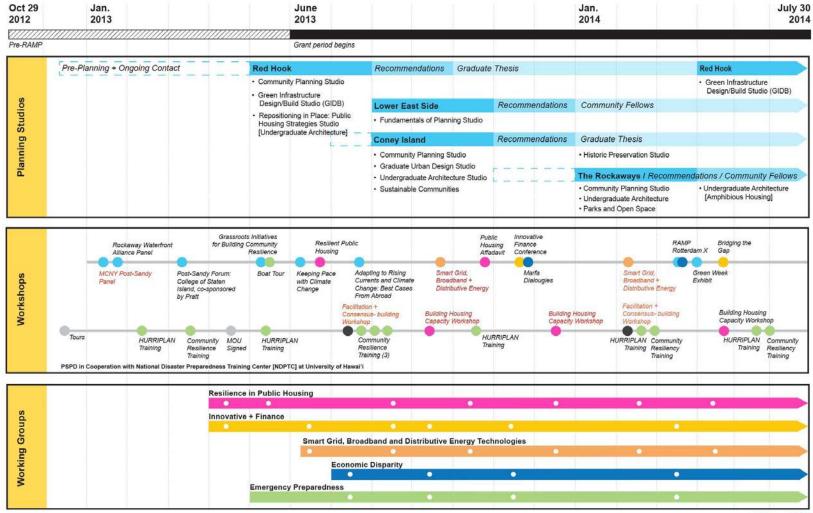
Smartgrid / Broadband Access

AND MORE! Urban Alchemy: Social Integration & Human Health

The Regulation of Space: The Impact of Emerging City Policy on the **Rebuilding of Neighborhoods**



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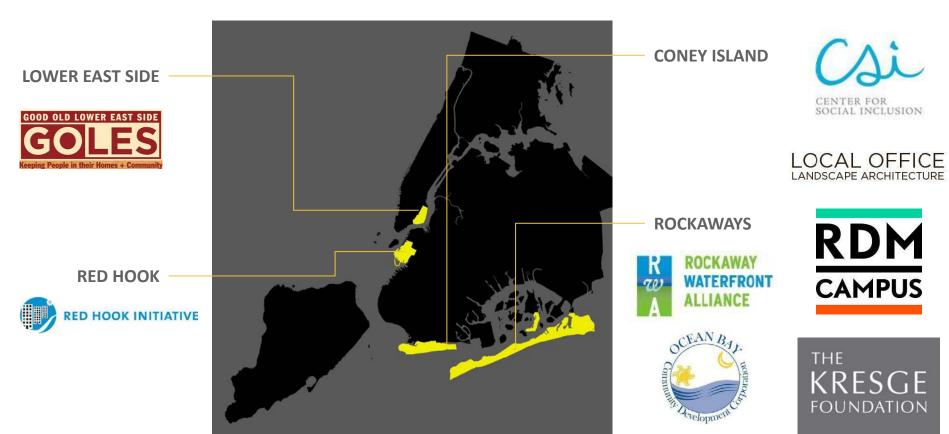


Recovery, Adaptation, Mitigation and Planning Timeline

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COMMUNITIES & PARTNERS



COURSES & STUDIOS

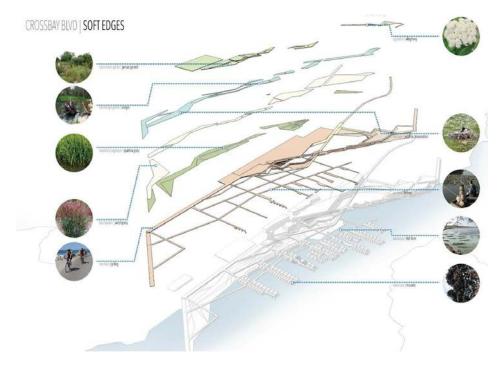
At its core, the RAMP studios served matriculated undergraduate and graduate architectural students and graduate students in planning, preservation, and environmental management at Pratt, as well as students from other accredited planning and architectural programs interested in getting credit for participating in these classes. The studios/urban labs were open to practicing professionals seeking to update their skills.

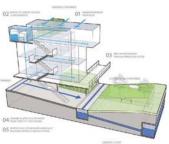
The studios included:

Community Planning Architecture Sustainable Business Green Infrastructure

The studios worked with community-based clients addressing issues of recovery, sustainability and resiliency.

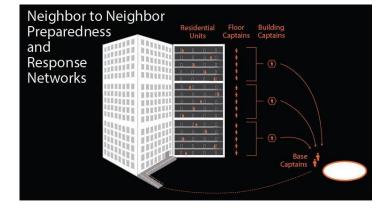














COMMUNITY VISIONING & WORKSHOPS

In addition to the participatory studios/urban labs, a series of workshops and/or conferences to expand on and/or complement the topics covered in the studios will also be offered starting in the spring/summer of 2013. The workshops were open to practicing professionals in the field, community residents and advocacy groups, and, wherever possible, co-sponsored by various technical assistance providers, advocacy organizations, professional associations and community-based organizations.

Workshops included the following topics:

Building Human Capital and Community Organizing Health/Mental Health Money, Politics, Power and Resiliency Efforts Creative Finance Public Housing Resiliency and Green/Grey/Blue Infrastructure Techniques for Smart Grid and Broadband Business and Job Retention and Creation.







INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE



RETI: Red Hook [Resilience + Education + Training + Innovation + Incubation]

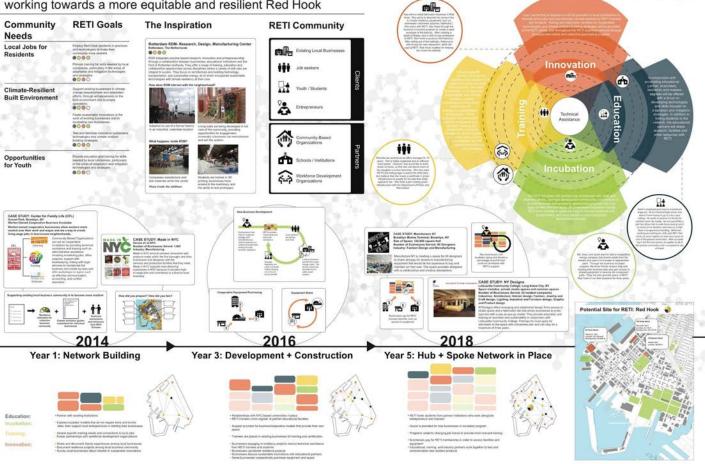
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a workforce development and business innovation initiative working towards a more equitable and resilient Red Hook



Maintaining momentum during protracted crises is an enormous challenge, both for frontline communities and organizations, and for academic and technical partners.

Institutional memory must be preserved to ensure we learn our lessons - in approach and in proposed outcomes.

We must look inward, within our academic and professional networks - first and continuously - and ask tough questions of ourselves, our institutions, our disciplines. Are we working in a just manner?



CAREER CARRYOVER:



THE REBUILDING

with Matea Kulusic



DELTA CITIES COASTAL RESILIENCE STUDIOS

Graduate Center for Planning and the Environment + Undergraduate Architecture + ...

FALL 2022 (ongoing): Flushing Creek, Queens

Waterfront Access, Ecological Restoration, and Development Pressures | client: Guardians of Flushing Bay

FALL 2021: Green Resilient Industrial District Resilient Water Hub, Sunset Park, Brooklyn Operationalizing a Just Transition in an industrial waterfront | client: UPROSE

FALL 2020: Radical Rethinking / Resilience Infrastructure, Jamaica Bay Queens

Humanistic Retreat and Habitation of this Barrier Island | client: RISE & Science Resilience Institute of Jamaica Bay

FALL 2019: Bay to Beach, Edgemere Queens

Humanistic Retreat and Habitation of this Barrier Island | client: RISE (formerly Rockaway Waterfront Alliance)

FALL 2018: Reach by Reach, Newtown Creek

The 3rd EPOCH, Circular Economies & the Future of Urban Waterfronts | Newtown Creek Alliance & Evergreen Exchange

FALL 2017: North Shore Staten Island

NY Rising Along the North Shore, an Industrial Re-Envisioning | client: NYC EDC & NYS Governor's Office of Storm Recovery

FALL 2016: Hunts Point, Bronx NY

On The Working Waterfront | client: The Point CDC

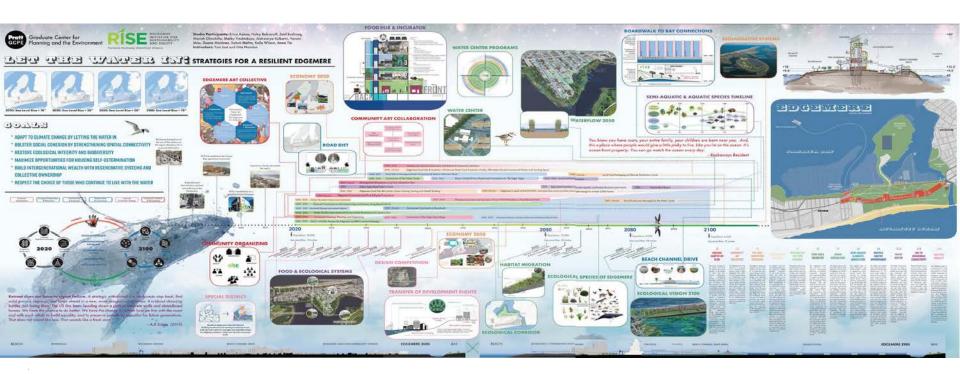
FALL 2015: Red Hook Brooklyn

Living with Water in 2100, Red Hook Brooklyn | client: Resilient Red Hook

EDGEMERE: BAY TO BEACH 2019

A MODEL FOR NYC, MULTI-GENERATIONAL HUMANISTIC RETREAT STRATEGIC PLAN











NEWTOWN CREEK: REACH BY REACH 2018

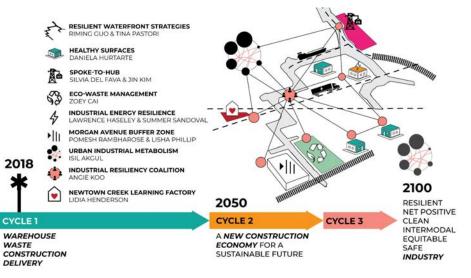
CIRCULAR ECONOMY, A RESILIENT FUTURE IN THE THIRD EPOCH









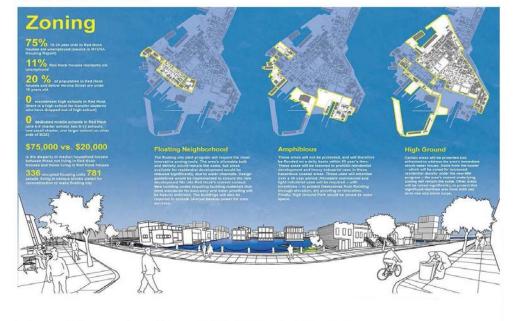


RED HOOK: LET THE WATER IN 2016

LIVING WITH WATER, AN INNOVATION RESILIENCE DISTRICT 2100



ZEHRA KUZ + GITA NANDEN + THOMAS JOST



A. Bamman + J. Bezemes + R. Gene + A. Levers + K. Selden & UG ARCH: S. Conigliaro, S. Halvorsen

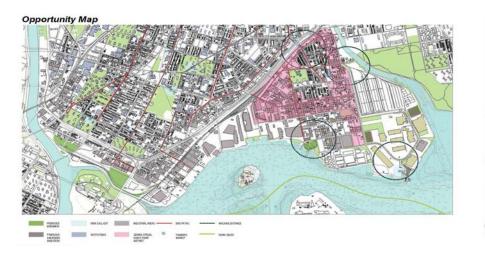
Master Plan



HUNTS POINT: ON THE WORKING WATERFRONT 2016

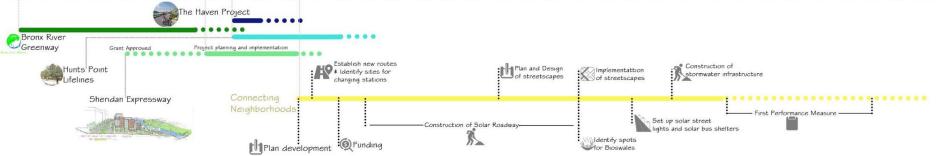


SOUTH BRONX COMMUNITY RESILIENCE AGENDA RECOMMENDATIONS



	Short Term STABILIZATION	Medium Term FUNDING INFRASTRUCTURE	Long Term ACQUIRING/MANAGING/DEVELOPING INFRASTRUCTURE	
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	Plan Development and Funding Acquisition	Roadway and Pedestrian Bridge Construction	Construction of Streetscape & Water Retartion Features; Ongoing Performance Measures	
0	Digital Communication Skill-Based Training &		Protect critical infrastructure & Invest in Biodigestion and Community Microgrids	
NERGENCY PAREDNESS	Organizational Capacity-Building Good Neighbor Standards Creation	Pilot Programs Implementation	Property Acquisition and Management for Manufacturing and MR Uses	
HBORHOOD	Legal Assistance Network Research and Data Tools	Anti-Displacement Zone	Community Land Trust on Understilized NYCHA Land	

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All solutions need to be interdisciplinary, and one discipline does not hold more weight than another - all perspectives need to be heard and addressed.

Any solution to a challenge made today should be made with consideration for its long term impacts.



THE NEW REALITY

with Delaney Bianca Morris



PLANNING BEYOND COVID-19



Manufacturing

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Social Infrastructure

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Education and Housing 2 cards



Energy and Heat 1 card



Food 1 card





Water





Implementation 1 card

Local Governance 3 cards

Waste

1 card

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Education & Housing - Zehra, Matea & Jerrod Energy & Heat - Browne Sebright

Food - Ana Fisyak

Local Governance: Emergency Mgmt - Simon Betsalel Implementation: Green New Deal - Gita Nandan

Manufacturing - Eva H

Social Infrastructure & Libraries - Delaney Morris

Transportation & Public Space - David Burney

Water & Waste - Leonel Ponce





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Public Space 1 card

Public Space

Problem Statement

Public space and social interaction

We are suddenly realizing the importance of human interaction, of our mutual dependency, and of the need for places for this to happen. Public places are the fundamental glue of neighborhood life. These places are capable of transcending differences in race, age and income if we plan them properly and manage and defend them well. As soon as we are allowed out again we should not forget this fact.

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Transportation 1 card

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supplies.

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Manufacturing

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A huge drop in the Manufacturing sector has left

dependent on global manufacturing businesses

chains. During the COUD19 crisis this situation

resulted in serious problems when the US and

both the United States and New York City

and on long/distant supply and distribution

NY City and State were unable to provide

adequate numbers of masks, shields, tests,

ventilators or other PPP equipment and found

themselves competing to purchase needed

products from other countries with existing

manufacturing capacity. Unfortunately, this

the need for drugs, medical equipment and

problem is expected to continue, and worsen, for

example, with the development of a vaccine and



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Education and Housing - ZK+MK



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Housing and Education zk+mk

The pandemic outbreak was a financial shock that rocked the foundations of an already burdened system causing increased housing insecurities, as well as strain on individual wellbeing. The pandemic has forced people to spend their days in spaces that are not designed to be occupied 24/7. The home has become a workplace and a classroom while the parents are tasked with both making rent payments, as well as facilitating their children's education. Amenity spaces, which were designed to alleviate the need of activity space within the unit, in some cases have been closed in the hopes of containing the virus spread.

The pandemic has revealed New York City's long

COVID-19 & PRATT DISASTER RESILIENCE NETWORK



COMMUNITY ENGAGED WORK IN INTERLOCKING CRISES: RAMP-ING BACK UP



LESSONS LEARNED:

Community engagement and buy-in is key, but also understanding the root cause of an issue is immensely important. You never want to go into a community and assume what is needed or even what the cause is of the state of an area post disaster, because community perspectives might give you completely different reasoning.



CAREER CARRYOVER:





Community Visioning for Vacant Land following Managed Retreat in Edgemere, Queens, N.Y. March 31, 2022

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Exploring possibilities for vacant land









Carlton Wharf Preferred Design



Lewis Mall Preferred Design Alternative - Phase 1





with Helen Harman and Sarah Varghese



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