



Hunts Point: A Shared Vision

Progress To-Date and a Look Ahead, from the City and Hunts Point Community

Expanding
economic
opportunity.

Improving
quality of life.

Preserving
what makes this
area unique—
its community,
cultural vibrancy,
and thriving
industry.

In 2004, the City and community released the Hunts Point Vision Plan, a set of recommendations developed by the Hunts Point Task Force for the future of the peninsula. Hunts Point is home to 12,000 residents, 18,000 workers, and one of the largest wholesale distribution campuses in the world. The release of the plan was followed by action, which delivered **new parks, safer streets, thousands of new jobs, and improved air quality**—progress that has been complemented by other City and community-driven projects advanced in recent years.

But, there is still much to be done. Today, the City and community are **building on our partnership to develop a shared vision** to guide the next 15 to 20 years of working together.

Project Progress and Commitment Updates

Highlights from the 2004 Vision Plan,
accomplished through partnership between the City and Hunts Point community:

In addition to the 2004 Vision Plan recommendations,
the City and State are advancing several other projects in Hunts Point:



Fish Market, opened 2005



Barretto Point Park, opened 2006



HP Riverside Park, opened 2007



Anheuser-Busch, opened 2009

Optimizing how land is used to support job growth and community amenities

- Created **new waterfront parks** equivalent to approximately three city blocks
- Created special zoning rules to separate the residential area from industrial uses, while also **encouraging food-related business**
- Remediated over 40 percent of the original Con Edison manufactured gas plant site to **foster job-intensive uses**
- Facilitated **creating over 1,000 new industrial jobs**
- Prevented new waste facilities from being created around the residential neighborhood

Creating connections between destinations to improve access and mobility for residents and workers

- Created Hunts Point Landing, Hunts Point Riverside Park, Randall's Island Connector, Anheuser-Busch Walkway, and Food Center Drive Greenway
- Built out **pedestrian and bike paths** along Spofford, Hunts Point, and Lafayette Avenues
- **Created the Bx46 bus route** to better connect the residential and industrial communities and improve commutes

Improving traffic safety and efficiency to enhance air quality and pedestrian safety

- Made 13 **intersections safer** for pedestrians
- **Improved air quality** through the Hunts Point Clean Trucks program
- Created new truck routes to increase the efficiency of trucks and **reduce the number of trucks in residential areas**
- Converted Food Center Drive to a one-way street with new, separated and landscaped bike lanes
- Invested in upgrades to the Oak Point Rail Yard and Produce Market rail

Implementing Workforce Solutions to link residents to employment opportunities

- Opened the **Hunts Point Workforce1 Career Center**
- Connected over 4,000 residents of Hunts Point to employment opportunities through the Workforce1 System

Expanding affordable housing, industrial space, community amenities, and quality jobs

- Redeveloping the former Spofford Juvenile Detention Center into The Peninsula, a mixed-use campus with **740 permanently affordable housing units, open space, commercial and community facility space, and industrial jobs**
- Committed \$150 million across the Food Distribution Center in infrastructure investments to support a modern, resilient, and job-intensive campus

Enhancing resiliency and sustainability

- Committed \$71 million to resiliency and sustainability, including:
 - Providing **year-round energy and emergency back-up power** to critical facilities in the Food Distribution Center
 - **Implementing solar energy and storage at two local schools** to provide year-round sustainable energy and allow the schools to serve as shelters during emergencies
- Establishing **resilient Wi-Fi networks** to support local businesses
- Committed \$67 million to **upgrade the Hunts Point Wastewater Treatment Plant and improve local air quality**
- Partnering with local community groups to promote climate-related emergency preparedness through the "Be A Buddy" Program

Transportation infrastructure improvements

- Planning for a new Metro-North station at Hunts Point Avenue that will connect residents to Penn Station and Connecticut
- Planning for a new marine barge terminal as a part of FreightNYC to reduce truck miles traveled, create jobs, and improve air quality



BankNote Rehab, completed 2009



Hunts Point Landing, opened 2013



Spofford Redevelopment, announced 2016

The economic benefits of City and community investment in Hunts Point are real. Over the past two decades, the **unemployment rate has dropped by over 50 percent**, workforce participation has grown by almost 5 percent, and the number of residents with a high school degree or equivalency has risen by 15 percent. Further, over 1,000 new industrial jobs are being created.

“For more than 15 years,
the Hunts Point Vision
Plan has served as a
working collaboration
between the South Bronx
and the City to plan for
the long-term success
of Hunts Point”

—Council Member
Rafael Salamanca Jr.
February 2020

What’s Next?

We want to hear from you. The City and NYCEDC are actively working with the community to shape a comprehensive strategy across current and future projects—an updated vision for Hunts Point.

We will continue to regularly update the community on past commitments and work together to develop new opportunities for the future.

Want to Be Involved?

To learn more about the past work or the current process, reach us at huntspointvisionplan@edc.nyc.

For more information about ongoing NYCEDC projects on the Hunts Point Peninsula, visit edc.nyc/HuntsPointVision.

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