

Planner, Resiliency

Agency Description:

The New York City Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) is the nation's largest municipal housing preservation and development agency. Its mission is to promote quality housing and diverse, thriving neighborhoods for New Yorkers through loan and development programs for new affordable housing, preservation of the affordability of the existing housing stock, enforcement of housing quality standards, and educational programs for tenants and building owners. HPD is tasked with fulfilling the Mayor's Housing New York: A Five-Borough Ten-Year Plan to create and preserve 200,000 affordable units for New Yorkers at the very lowest incomes to those in the middle class.

Job Description:

Under the direction of the Executive Director of Resiliency Planning, Policy, and Acquisitions, the Planner will undertake all activities related to neighborhood recovery and planning for the preservation and development of housing in New York City neighborhoods impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The Planner will be responsible for performing analyses of neighborhood conditions using quantitative and qualitative data, implementing meaningful civic engagement efforts such as community workshops, and assisting in developing agendas, managing logistics, and creating communication materials for the workshops. The Planner will also be responsible for managing project teams comprised of multiple city agencies and/or consultants, and for overseeing the development of public-facing neighborhood planning documents. Potential projects include pre-ULURP and ULURP material development and project management, in support of the Resilient Edgemere Community Plan and the Build it Back Acquisitions Program.

The mission of the Resiliency Planning unit is to ensure that HPD's development and preservation efforts protect neighborhoods, existing buildings, tenants and property owners from climate-related hazards and related financial threats (e.g. changes in the flood insurance program). Team members collaborate with the Build it Back program, developers, community-based organizations, tenants, and building owners to rebuild, develop, or protect quality affordable housing in the flood plain.

All Planners in the Office of Neighborhood Strategies are expected to perform similar duties to ensure a flexible and multi-faceted team. Selected duties for the Resiliency Planner include analyzing and resolving complex neighborhood planning and geo-spatial issues; performing basic housing, real estate, and demographic research; and undertaking neighborhood planning studies and developing implementation strategies in collaboration with other City agencies, such as the Economic Development Corporation, the Department of City Planning, the New York City Housing Authority, State agencies, for- and non- profit housing and community developers, Community Boards and local organizations, public officials, and neighborhood residents. All Planners within the Planning Division are expected to participate and assist in neighborhood workshops, as necessary.

Preferred Skills:

- 1. 3-5 years of experience practicing urban design and/or architecture
- 2. Master's degree in urban design and/or architecture preferred
- 3. Ability to lead complex land use, planning, and urban design analyses, often balancing input from a variety of technical experts, advocates, elected officials, and community members
- 4. Ability to guide an iterative problem-solving process by proposing a course of action and the design of deliverables needed to aide in analysis and decision-making
- 5. Familiarity with NYC zoning resolution and entitlement processes, government operations, and housing/community development issues
- 6. Familiarity with principles and practice of community engagement and design thinking
- 7. Proficiency with Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, ArcGIS, AutoCAD, SketchUp, and/or other 3D drawing tools

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How to Apply:

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City Employees: Apply through the Employee Self Service portal (ESS) at www.nyc.gov/ess. Search for JOB ID# 333641

Salary range for this position is: \$62,000 - \$65,000

NOTE: Only those candidates under consideration will be contacted. NYC residency is required for this position.