

On Wednesday, November 8, 2023, the Local Planning Committee recommended 10 projects to be considered for the State's DRI award. From the projects listed below, **the State will award up to \$9.7M in funding in Winter-Spring 2024.**

	Project Name	Responsible Entity	DRI Funding Request	Estimated Project Cost
1	Implement New York Avenue Streetscape Improvements	Town of Huntington	\$4,675,000	\$4,675,000
2	Install Kiosks, Wayfinding, and Signage	Town of Huntington	\$289,000	\$289,000
3	Construct Pedestrian Walkway Improvements Connecting to LIRR Station	Town of Huntington	\$802,000	\$802,000
4	Create New Open Space and Play Area at Huntington Public Library Station Branch	Huntington Public Library	\$536,000	\$631,000
5	Renovate St. Hugh Community Facility at 21 E 9th Street	St. Hugh of Lincoln	\$733,000	\$792,000
6	Implement Small Business Façade and Renovation Grant Fund	Town of Huntington	\$600,000	\$800,000
7	Redevelop Vacant Lot into a Film and TV Studio or Other Commercial Use	TOH Office of Film & Television	\$2,000,000	\$103,859,000
8	Redevelop 1264-1268 NYA into Southgate Affordable Mixed-Use Development	Town of Huntington Community Development Agency	\$2,000,000	\$11,575,000
9	Transform 1328 NYA into The Concord Mixed-Use Development	MDG Property Owners LLC	\$2,050,000	\$40,408,000
10	Redevelop 1395-1399 NYA into Mixed-Use and Community Facility	Sab y Bella Holdings LLC	\$2,250,000	\$6,391,000
	TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS		\$15,935,000	\$170,222,000

1. IMPLEMENT NEW YORK AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS

Project Cost: \$4,675,000

DRI Request: \$4,675,000 (100% of cost)

This project will implement a series of roadway and pedestrian improvements that create safer streets and improve walkability, safety, and attractiveness along New York Avenue. The improvements will be made from Depot Road to 11th Street, or at a minimum from Depot Road to 9th Street. Improvements would introduce pedestrian amenities, including but not limited to widened and updated sidewalks, safer crossings and new crosswalks, garden areas, pocket parks, benches, artwork, LED lighting, and street trees. New infrastructure elements would include updating roadway paving, improving signalization, installing new bike racks, and installing ADA compliant curbs.



2. INSTALL KIOSKS, WAYFINDING, AND SIGNAGE

Project Cost: \$289,000

DRI Request: \$289,000 (100% of cost)

Installation of interactive kiosks and wayfinding signage to improve navigation throughout the DRI Area. Kiosks will have security functions and will be integrated with the Town's Q-Alert system for queries. Kiosks will also provide both services and information, such as directions to available public parking areas and local businesses. Wayfinding signage will also direct visitors to parking lots. Additionally, the kiosks will be paired with public broadband internet access to increase Huntington Station's ability to attract new businesses and provide homes in the area with access to the internet.

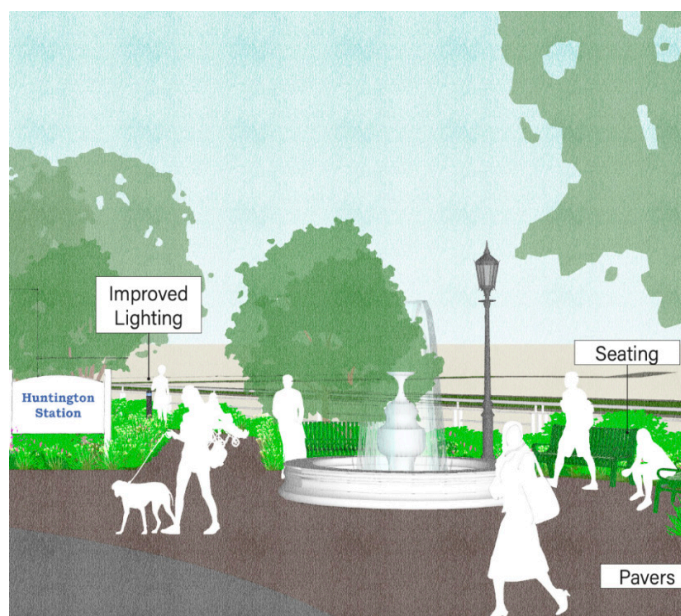


3. CONSTRUCT PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY IMPROVEMENTS CONNECTING TO LIRR STATION

Project Cost: \$802,000

DRI Request: \$802,000 (100% of cost)

Construction of a more appealing pedestrian walkway for residents and visitors using bus and/or the LIRR. The pedestrian walkway would extend south from the LIRR station to New York Avenue, ending north of the intersection of New York Avenue and East 2nd Street. The walkway would include a new brick path surrounded by elevated flowerbed gardens, benches, streetlamps, welcome sign, fountain, and a flagpole.



4. CREATE NEW OPEN SPACE AND PLAY AREA AT PUBLIC LIBRARY HUNTINGTON STATION BRANCH

Project Cost: \$631,000

DRI Request: \$536,000 (85% of cost)

Improvements will include replacing deteriorating fencing and concrete walkways, adding seating, lighting, and landscaping to the front courtyard, installing better signage, and improving the building facade. Outdoor spaces will be constructed including a secure outdoor children's area on the west side of the library building and a reading and program space in the front courtyard. The children's area would be 1,500 square feet of outdoor space that would provide capacity for expanded programming as well as a space for the neighborhood's children to play in a safe and secure environment. The reading and program space in the front courtyard would also expand program offerings and provide a welcoming environment on New York Avenue.

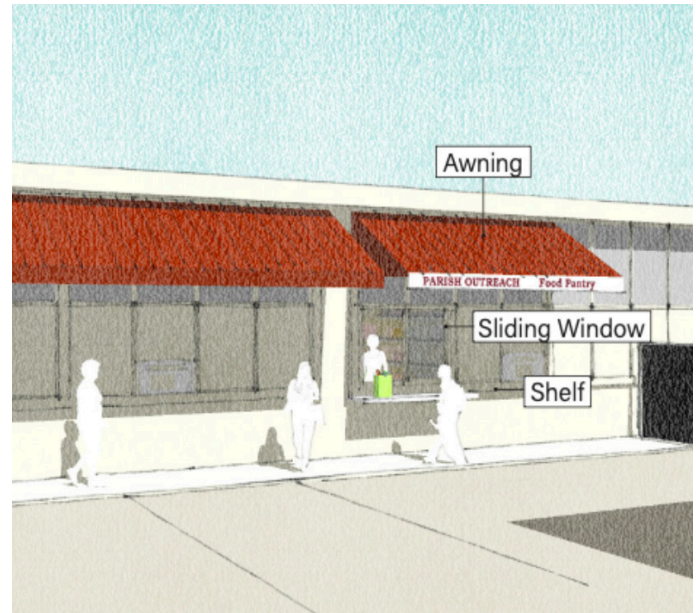


5. RENOVATE ST. HUGH COMMUNITY FACILITY AT 21 E 9TH STREET

Project Cost: \$792,000

DRI Request: \$733,000 (93% of cost)

Renovations and capital improvements that would improve the functionality and capacity of St. Hugh's community meeting rooms and community food bank. The food bank, which feeds over 8,000 families each month, will upgrade its freezer space, food preparation equipment, and sanitation equipment. Additionally, St. Hugh's will improve its community meeting rooms, adding new security doors, improving plumbing systems, upgrading antiquated restroom facilities, and adding ramps and chairlifts to comply with ADA requirements, making the space more accessible for all community members.



6. IMPLEMENT SMALL BUSINESS FAÇADE AND RENOVATION GRANT FUND

Project Cost: \$800,000

DRI Request: \$600,000 (75% of cost)

The Town will establish a grant fund that will help small businesses (re)invest in their commercial space in the DRI area. The fund would require participants to cover 25% of individual project costs. The grant will fund exterior renovations including: signage / awnings, windows, entrances / patios, doors, and exteriors / sidings. The fund will also prioritize owners with plans to maintain existing tenants. The Town will establish design guidelines for the grant fund.



7. REDEVELOP VACANT LOT INTO A FILM AND TV STUDIO OR OTHER COMMERCIAL USE

Project Cost: \$103,859,000

DRI Request: \$2,000,000 (2% of cost)

The Studios at Huntington Station will be built on a 4.9 acre underutilized parking lot owned by the Town. The lot is directly accessible from the train station. The sponsor has engaged with developers interested in building the entire campus and completely outfitting the structure. The Town will also consider other commercial uses for the property if there is developer interest. The campus is designed to be adaptable for alternate businesses when not in use for production. The campus includes an office building, an auditorium, a conference exhibit space, a woodwork shop, and sound stages. Many of these spaces can also serve a convention use, exhibition space, or distribution center.



8. REDEVELOP 1264-1268 NYA INTO SOUTHGATE AFFORDABLE MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT

Project Cost: \$11,575,000

DRI Request: \$2,000,000 (17% of cost)

Sponsor proposes a total demolition and redevelopment of the property 1264-1268 New York Avenue. The intended purpose would be to redevelop the site with two (2) brand new commercial office space on the lowest level floor. The commercial sites may host community organizations that currently serve the Huntington Station community. The sponsor would expand the second floor to the full span of the building. A third floor would be built above. The second and third floors will have 18 affordable apartments (1-bedroom units) that would be rented at 70% area median income as per HUD guidelines.



9. TRANSFORM 1328 NYA INTO THE CONCORD MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT

Project Cost: \$40,408,000

DRI Request: \$2,050,000 (5% of cost)

Construction of new, mixed-use workforce housing and retail space on a 1.4-acre site less than a 5 minute walk from the Huntington LIRR station. The development will consist of 2 buildings, 72 residential units, 4,230 square feet of residential amenity space, and 11,250 square feet of commercial space. The development will be three stories, with ground floor retail and two stories of studio, 1-, and 2-bedroom apartments above. The residential units will be workforce housing and will target young and rising professionals.



10. REDEVELOP 1395-1399 NYA INTO MIXED-USE AND COMMUNITY FACILITY

Project Cost: \$6,391,000

DRI Request: \$2,250,000 (35% of cost)

Owner of 1399 NYA is in negotiations to purchase 1395 NYA and redevelop both lots into a singular, three-story mixed-use building with community facility on first floor (potentially the Dolan Family Health Center). The Palacios Law Group would relocate its commercial offices onto the second floor. A total of seven (7) apartments would also be incorporated into the building's remaining spaces. The building will conform to affordable housing codes and will provide parking on the back lot.

