

# Community Capacity Building for Climate Change, Hudson Valley New York

## Key Problem:

Hudson Valley municipalities with small staffs and budgets struggle to plan for and fund climate change adaptation

## Solution:

Bringing the academic resources of Cornell University to these communities through the Climate Adaptive Design (CaD) studio

## Top 2 Challenges:

1. Not another plan on the shelf
2. Inclusive engagement



CaD Kingston Point

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## Takeaways

1. Resilience needs to be redefined to include socio/economic considerations outside the traditional purview of environmental organizations
2. Climate change adaptation can be an opportunity to create the thriving and equitable communities of the future

## Best tools:

- [CaD.....https://wri.cals.cornell.edu/hudson-river-estuary/climate-change-hudson-river-estuary/climate-adaptive-design/](https://wri.cals.cornell.edu/hudson-river-estuary/climate-change-hudson-river-estuary/climate-adaptive-design/)
- [Inclusive resilience planning for climate change.....https://www.nj.gov/dep/climatechange/trainings/asat-unit2-part1.html](https://www.nj.gov/dep/climatechange/trainings/asat-unit2-part1.html)
- [Gould and Lewis. 2016. Green gentrification: urban sustainability and the struggle for environmental justice](#)