

ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Note: Actions highlighted in yellow are "quick win" action items that the County can implement in the short term

The Economy: Support and Promote Investment and Job Creation	Short Term (3-5 years)	Medium Term (5-10 years)	Long Term (10+ years)	Responsible Entity
Establish a Nassau County venture capital fund devoted to seeding new high technology companies	X			County, IDA
Establish a biotechnology innovation center in Nassau County- partner with the Long Island Forum for Technology and foster participation by major hospitals, medical colleges, research laboratories and private pharmaceutical firms	X			County, Long Island Forum for Technology, hospitals and universities
Strategically utilize Industrial Development Agency to attract, retain, and expand clusters of economic development	X	X		Private investors, including health care institutions, universities, green energy companies, etc. with technical assistance from the County
Encourage partnerships among high tech/high skilled industry, education and health care sectors and local municipal governments	X			County, Municipalities, health care institutions, universities, private investors
Provide technical assistance to technology, education and healthcare companies/institutions to encourage expansion of existing operations and creation of new facilities	X	X		County
Strategically utilize Industrial Development Agency to retain and attract businesses in the sports, entertainment and tourism industries	X	X		Private investors with technical assistance from the County
Market sports, entertainment and tourism attractions	X			County, Venue Operators, LIRR (one-day getaways)
Create Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (C.E.D.S.) for Federal grant eligibility	x			County, Municipalities, LIRPC
Adopt an affordable housing/next generation/workforce housing goal for Nassau County	X			County
Support Green Job training programs through local non-profits, colleges, and school districts	x			County, non-profits, universities, school districts
Land Use: Target Sustainable Development in Growth Areas	Short Term (3-5 years)	Medium Term (5-10 years)	Long Term (10+ years)	Responsible Entity
Sponsor local planning initiatives	X			County, Municipalities
Amend zoning to create mixed-use downtown districts and/or downtown overlay zones	X			Municipalities with technical support from County
Create zoning incentives for higher density residential and commercial development	X			Municipalities with technical support from County
Provide incentives for mixed-income residential development near job centers and transit	X			County, Municipalities
Recruit developers through marketing and RFP processes	X			County, Municipalities
Provide technical assistance to developers in obtaining project financing	X			County
Study use of Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) to protect groundwater and direct future development to downtowns and designated growth areas	x			County, Municipalities
Utilize State and Federal grant assistance to inventory, assess, and prepare revitalization plans for brownfield sites throughout the County		X		County, Municipalities, Public/Private Partnerships
Provide technical assistance to developers to help them access IDA, New York State, and Federal economic development incentives	X			County
Provide technical assistance to developers to help them move efficiently through the SEQR process	X			County
Coordinate a detailed cross-municipal beautification plan and establish standards for enhanced landscape treatment along commercial corridors	X			County, Municipalities
Coordinate with NYS DOT to develop a beautification strategy for state-controlled right of ways	X			County
Require and/or create incentives for developers to provide and maintain enhanced landscape treatments along commercial corridors (County roads), consistent with the proposed beautification plan		X		County, Municipalities
Create and manage a GIS-based vacant and underutilized land inventory for public use	X	X		County
Create vacant land inventory	x			County
Provide incentives for facades and streetscape improvements	X	X		County, IDA, Municipalities,
Continue neighborhood stabilization programs and reduce foreclosures	X	X		County, Municipalities
Identify parcels that can be designated for open space	X			County, Municipalities
Sustain in perpetuity the County's open space acquisition program through additional funding. Establish a dedicated source of County open space acquisition funding.	X			County
Work with municipalities to encourage development of identified parcels as community open space	X	X		County

Infrastructure: Retrofitting Nassau	Short Term (3-5 years)	Medium Term (5-10 years)	Long Term (10+ years)	Responsible Entity
Transportation Alternatives and Increasing the People-Carrying Capacity of County Roadways				
Create a multimodal transportation center in the Hub with regional LIRR access		X	X	County, Municipalities, LIRR, NYSDOT, NYMTC
Prioritize the modernization of infrastructure linked to new downtown development and seek public/private partnerships to expedite improvements	X	X		County, Municipalities, NYSDOT
Implement express bus or bus rapid transit systems to better link existing or planned nodes of mixed use development, particularly for north-south travel in the County	X	X		County, MTALIB, NYSDOT
Increase LIRR service to enhance the use of transit for intra-county travel, especially at future planned Transit Oriented Development locations	X	X	X	County, LIRR
Establish a pilot LIRR station feeder bus route	X			County, MTALIB
Establish Traffic Incident Management Program (Quick Clearance; computer-aided dispatch for towing and recovery, service patrols)	X			County, NYSDOT
Lobby for State legislation to allow quick clearance of traffic incidents.	X			County
Adopt time is of the essence clauses in County roadway construction contracts in congested areas.	X			County, NYSDOT, Municipalities
Require longer life materials when available, to minimize frequency of repairs to existing roadways	X			County, NYSDOT, Municipalities
Require traffic plans for congested areas to minimize loss of capacity during construction	X			County, NYSDOT, Municipalities
Limit lane closures on arterials and expressways/parkways to off peak or night-time hours, especially in congested locations	X			County, NYSDOT
Continue with Enhanced County Traffic Signal Progression projects	X			County
Study reversible lanes on congested arterials (such as Old Country Road, Sunrise Highway, Hillside Avenue, Jericho Turnpike, Northern Boulevard)	X	X		County, NYSDOT
Promote and market alternative modes of travel such as biking, walking, public transit and ride-sharing to reduce emissions.	X			County
Prepare a comprehensive Nassau County bikeway network master plan	X			County, Municipalities,
Adopt "Complete Streets" policy that considers transportation improvements as opportunities to improve safety, access and mobility for all travelers within the County and recognizes bicycle, pedestrian and mass transit modes as integral elements of the transportation system.	X			County, Municipalities, NYSDOT
Work with NYSDOT and municipalities to integrate bikeways into the county's transportation system as a viable alternative to the automobile	X	X		County, NYSDOT, Municipalities
Promote State and Federal tax incentives for county, municipal and individual purchase of hybrid/electric vehicles and CNG/hybrid buses.	X			County, Municipalities
Enhance transit, trail and greenway linkages between County and municipal parks and major bus and rail hubs.	X	X		County, Municipalities, MTALIB, LIRR
Install bicycle racks outside County Buildings, municipal buildings, and railroad stations	X	X		County, LIRR, Municipalities
Create a central Long Island rail freight distribution center to reduce truck traffic on east-west arterials and the LIE	X			New York State
Consider flex work hours to reduce traffic congestion	X			County
Prepare a comprehensive Nassau County Greenway and Blue Way (nautical recreation) map illustrating existing links and interconnectivity as well as future opportunities and key gaps.	X			County
Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Production				
Establish a County government greenhouse gase emissions reduction target and performance tracking model	X			County
Prepare and adopt model alternative energy (solar, wind, etc) installation/zoning guidelines and codes	X			County
Encourage and aid subsidization of residential and commercial building retrofits that significantly enhance energy conservation.	X			County
Retrofit existing County facilities with renewable energy generators using NYSERDA Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants				County
Promote LIPA programs for off peak power generation and "smart home" energy controls.	X			County
Promote LIPA programs for buy back/bill reduction of grid power from alternative generation sources: wind, solar, geothermal, cogeneration, etc.	X			County
Provide incentives to encourage energy conservation, local clean power generation, enhanced distribution and generation technology, and innovative industries.	X	X		County, IDA, Municipalities
Provide incentives to encourage integration of innovative, energy efficient waste treatment technology into development projects.	X			County, Municipalities

Encourage expanded use and development of solar power (both photovoltaic and solar-thermal)	X			County, Municipalities
Amend subdivision and site plan regulations to encourage orientation of structures to take advantage of solar gain and maintain solar access for adjacent sites	X			Municipalities with technical assistance from County
Construct and renovate public facilities to serve as models for green building practices and include (where possible) renewable energy systems such as photovoltaic electricity or solar hot water panels	X	X	X	County, Municipalities
Adopt an energy conservation ordinance that provides incentives for updating buildings toward current energy code requirements	X	X		Municipalities with technical assistance from County
Educate residents and property owners on how they can improve energy efficiency, save money over time, and take meaningful steps to reduce carbon emissions	X			County, Municipalities
The Environment and Addressing Climate Change				
Initiate "Greening Nassau County," a new interdepartmental and municipal strategy to plant 40,000 new trees by 2030. (Identify desired species and sources of material and incentives for private landowners.)	X	X	X	County, Municipalities
Develop a comprehensive approach to disaster planning that integrates the variety of climate change scenarios and includes pre-disaster planning, post disaster redevelopment planning and adaptation to climate change.	X			County
Conduct a more detailed hazard risk assessment using GIS and track hazard mitigation in vulnerable areas and emergency services planning.	X	X		County
Sustain funding for capital improvements as previously accomplished with Environmental Bond Act funds.	X	X	X	County