# 2 Strategies for a Working West Shore

Working West Shore 2030 has defined four strategies for creating economic opportunity, managing growth, and providing infrastructure on the West Shore for the next 20 years. By accounting for demographic changes, physical constraints, the potential of existing job centers, and the unique residential neighborhoods of the study area, the framework targets future growth opportunities and infrastructure improvements to a limited number of areas that:

- Have concentrated amounts of developable and vacant/underutilized land;
- Are accessible to current and future transit stops and highway exits;
- Are near existing and future employment and commercial centers; and
- Would support existing communities by their development.



Richmond Terra

SI Expressway

### 2. Connect the West Shore

Connect communities and businesses with the rest of the borough and the region, while reducing autodependency and minimizing the traffic impact of new development by:

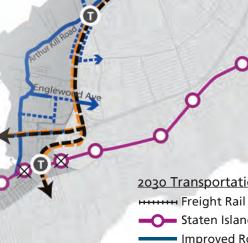
#### Improving the local road network

- Widen/upgrade existing roads
- Build new roads
- Separate truck traffic from residential communities
- Improve cross-island connections

#### Creating a sustainable transit network

- Build upon SIEDC's West Shore Light Rail Study recommendations to create a Rt. 440/WSE Bus Transit Corridor
- Expand local bus destinations
- Improve transit connections to New Jersey and regional destinations
- Create new park and ride facilities
- Relocate and improve Staten Island Railway stations

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2030 Transportation Network

Staten Island Railway (SIR)

Improved Roads

New Road Connections

**= =** WSE Transit Corridor

Bus Transit Hub (Park and Ride, Bus Stop)

**Relocated SIR Stations** 

— Potential Bus Rapid Transit Corridor



## 3. Preserve and Link Open Space

Preserve existing open space and establish, activate and connect new ones to existing areas and to nearby communities by:

- Preserving natural lands
- Recovering and reutilizing brownfield areas
- Creating open space and new connections
  - Arlington and Mariners Marsh, Freshkills Park and Fairview Park
- Expanding the Bluebelt system
- Bringing the West Shore to its shoreline
- Celebrating historic places
- Encouraging development that provides open space and remediation



Open Space Connections at Freshkills Park





Arlington and

Arlington

Mariners Marsh

## 4. Improve Community Services and Choices

Diversify housing options and concentrate expanded services and infrastructure investments adjacent to existing communities by:

- Creating and expanding local retail and services
- Providing more housing options for younger and older Staten Islanders
- Leveraging growth to improve sewer infrastructure and roadways in existing neighborhoods
- Focusing growth to support more transit options





