

Jamestown DRI | Project List

Strategies	#	Project Description
ESTABLISH DOWNTOWN DESTINATIONS	1	<p>National Comedy Center Gap Funding Provide a capital grant to the National Comedy Center to fund project completion. DRI funds would allow NCC to access a New Market Tax Credits allocation and would supplement significant prior investment by the State through Consolidated Funding Application awards. The total budget includes fabrication and installation of attraction components, including the hologram system.</p>
	2	<p>Former Key Bank Building Redevelopment Redevelop the historic former Key Bank Building on the corner of Main Street and 2nd Street into a mixed-use property with ground-floor retail and restaurant space, and a tech-focused office component, and corporate apartments.</p>
	3	<p>Furniture Mart Building Redevelopment Redevelop and refurbish the Furniture Mart Building on Washington and 2nd streets into a mixed-use residential, hotel, and commercial building with retail on the ground floor. The project would accommodate growth space for The Connection, which is slated to grow, and would include development of a private parking garage to supplement existing public parking.</p>
	4	<p>Downtown Programming and Activation Identify, fund, and execute all-season programming to attract a range of audiences to the Downtown and Riverwalk. Funds would coordinate and supplement efforts currently undertake by individual cultural attractions and local foundations. Potential new funding vehicles include a Riverwalk Downtown Activity Fund or a Theater District Events Fund.</p>

ESTABLISH DOWNTOWN DESTINATIONS	5	<p>Downtown Student Housing Development Find a suitable location in the downtown core for student housing serving Jamestown Business College, Jamestown Community College, or another college. Student housing could be a standalone dormitory, or incorporated into an existing redevelopment.</p>
	6	<p>Medical Area Opportunity Zone (STUDY) Advance the Medical Area Opportunity Zone through the creation of a comprehensive medical corridor plan in the Harrison-Foote-Institute area, where a cluster of major medical facilities are located. The plan would aim to identify a coordinated approach for addressing the range of medical and support services located within the district, sites for future expansion, circulation, parking, and transit links within the district.</p>
	7	<p>Rail Museum Plan, design, and develop a rail museum which would be the home of the restored Trolley Car #93. The museum would be located near the proposed excursion train depot.</p>
	8	<p>Excursion Train (STUDY) Fund a feasibility and impact study of a proposed excursion train running from Buffalo to Jamestown. The study is scope and partially funded.</p>
	9	<p>Robert H. Jackson Center/St. Bonaventure Partnership Support the proposed partnership between the Robert H. Jackson Center and St. Bonaventure University, which would bring four-year degree courses to Downtown. Funding would support the creation of SBU courses at the Jackson Center, internships through the Jackson Center, and other programming such as lecture series, faculty panel discussions, and mock trial competitions.</p>
	10	<p>Maker Space Develop a co-working or incubator space for light manufacturing (i.e. maker) businesses downtown. The space would provide shared equipment (e.g. drills, saws, etc.) to provide capacity for professional-grade production, defray startup costs, and provide a network for skill and resource sharing.</p>
	11	<p>Broadhead Mills & Arts Center Redevelopment Redevelop the brownfield and underutilized properties on East 1st Street, including the Broadhead Mills site and Arts Center, to create a portion of an Arts and Heritage Trail, connecting to locations throughout Downtown. The redevelopment could include upper-floor housing units and retail frontage such as cafes. Vacant lots could be repurposed into community gardens, greenspace, and an industrial heritage park.</p>

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SUPPORT SECONDARY ACTIVITIES	12	<p>Hilton DoubleTree - Hotel Refurbishment Provide gap funding to the development group seeking to refurbish the former Ramada Inn into a Hilton DoubleTree on 4th Street and Washington Street. The project would add 144 hotels rooms and the first full-service product to Jamestown.</p>
	13	<p>Jamestown Brewing Company Enhancement Provide funding to the Jamestown Brewing Company to enhance its planned renovation at the corner of Washington Street and 3rd Street. Enhancements include building an elevator that would allow access to the roof and second levels, additional deck space facing the National Comedy Center, and a second digital sign.</p>
	14	<p>Shawbucks - The Mindful Eatery Enhancements Renovate Shawbucks and create a space for a healthy lifestyle-focused dining, retail, and activities space.</p>
	15	<p>10-12 West 2nd Street Redevelopment Renovate 10-12 West 2nd Street for retail space on the ground floor, boutique hotel use on the upper levels, a cocktail lounge on the roof, and a stone's course below grade. The project would entail a full interior and exterior renovation.</p>
	16	<p>509 W. 3rd Street Redevelopment Renovate 309 W. 3rd into a mixed-use building with artist apartments and studio space, short-term rentals marketed to NCC performers, and professional offices.</p>
	17	<p>Fund for Riverfront Redevelopment Establish a public fund for future redevelopment to create riverfront attractions for public use, including potentially recreational, event space, or other uses. Redevelopment could be timed with completion of the pedestrian bridge at Washington Street.</p>
	18	<p>Willow Bay Renovation Renovate ground floor of Willow Bay Building to create a new street-level office space for the Jamestown Renaissance Corporation. The space would include a visitors center, a multipurpose space, and a conference room. The property will also house a commercial real estate brokerage.</p>

SUPPORT SECONDARY	19	<p>Business and Development Loan Funds Enhance local revolving loan funds to attract businesses into ground-floor retail spaces, including spaces needing rehab and new spaces in mixed-use development. Create a growth fund for small to mid-sized businesses to fund capital improvements, working capital, and market expansions. Funds could be managed by JRC or other organizations.</p>
	20	<p>Hospitality/Culinary Training Program Develop a workforce development program housed downtown to provide hospitality or culinary training for local residents. The program, potentially in partnership with a local college, would seek to prepare a new local workforce for newly created visitor-serving jobs, and increase the student population Downtown.</p>

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STRENGTHEN CONNECTIONS	21	<p>Riverwalk Lighting Implement Riverwalk lighting program that would focus lighting on the BPU buildings, Washington & Main Street bridges, the Riverfront wall, and surrounding trees. The lighting program would entail build-out of a control center, installation of lights, and wi-fi across the six areas of lighting concentration.</p>
	22	<p>Connect West End to Downtown Core Enhance the pedestrian experience along Washington Street and 2nd and 3rd streets from Washington Street to Main Street. Improvements would include lighting upgrades, new benches, trash cans, and planters, and wayfinding signage.</p>
	23	<p>Eastern Downtown Core Streetscape Improvements Enhance pedestrian experience along Main Street, and 2nd and 3rd streets from Maine Street to Spring Street. Improvements would include lighting upgrades, new benches, trash cans, and planters, and wayfinding signage.</p>
	24	<p>Two-Way Conversions Convert 2nd Street and 4th Street from one-way traffic to two-way traffic to reduce travel speeds and improve downtown circulation.</p>

STRENGTHEN CONNECTIONS	25	<p>West End Traffic and Parking Study Study and implement traffic circulation and calming measures on Washington Street and in the streets surrounding the National Comedy Center, as well as parking needs. Interventions might include installation of bike lanes, widening of sidewalks, narrowing of thru-traffic lanes, rerouting of traffic, and addition of parking capacity during peak times.</p>
	26	<p>Major Entry Installations Create "gateways" at major city entry points to improve visitor arrival experience. Potential sites include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3rd and Washington streets - Jamestown High School - Intersection of 4th and 3rd streets
	27	<p>National Comedy Center Piazza Build a well-lit piazza next to the National Comedy Center that would contain a bandshell, and connect the piazza to the Riverwalk.</p>
	28	<p>Transit Improvements Launch a shuttle service to connect key Downtown assets like the National Comedy Center and the Reg Lenna Center, and study options to connect Jamestown Community College and the Downtown to enhance the visitor and student experience.</p>
	29	<p>West End Design Principles (STUDY) Fund a study to establish design principles that will create a cohesive built environment on the West End.</p>
	30	<p>Boating Launch Create a formal launch for canoeing and kayaking near the Washington St. Bridge to provide public access to the river and create a daytime recreational activity for residents and visitors. This investment could involve partnership with a private operator for boat rental services.</p>
31	<p>Warner Dam Catchment System Install a catchment system for debris at the Warner Dam, to reduce river pollution and create a more desirable environment for Riverwalk visitors and boaters.</p>	

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BUILD CAPACITY	32	<p>Reg Lenna Center Master Plan Provide a capital grant to the Reg Lenna Center to complete their master plan, including infrastructure and general safety updates to existing facilities in the form of new a HVAC system, sprinkler system, and ADA accessibility improvements; the creation of new street-level Gallery and retail space; and back office renovations to improve the organization's capacity.</p>
	33	<p>Local Business Association Strengthen an existing local business association or create a new association to help small businesses share resources, achieve cost savings through volume, partner in marketing efforts, and otherwise access resources.</p>
	34	<p>Enforcement and Monitoring of Vacant or Underused Sites Expand city capacity for projects that could include updated boarding requirements and vacant building penalties, a Sponsor-A-Lot program for vacant parcels, or a Sponsor-A-House program for seniors and the disabled.</p>
	35	<p>Little Theater Upgrade Install an air conditioning system at the Lucille Ball Little Theater to improve the theater experience and enable all-season entertainment.</p>
	36	<p>Food Hub Create an organization in Jamestown that would manage the aggregation, distribution, and marketing of source-identified food products, primarily from regional producers to strengthen their ability to satisfy wholesale, retail, and institutional demand.</p>