Resilient America Roundtable: Building Community Resilience

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• Formed in 2014 to address a set of four key recommendations for building community resilience outlined in the 2012 report, *Disaster Resilience: A National Imperative*
  1. Understand and communicate risk;
  2. Build and strengthen partnerships among diverse stakeholders;
  3. Share information, data, and experts needed to build resilience;
  4. Measure resilience

• Focuses its work on engaging diverse stakeholders in communities to build resilience through our community pilot program
What is Resilience?

The ability to prepare and plan for, absorb, recover from, or more successfully adapt to actual or potential adverse events.¹

Community Pilot Program

Seattle, WA

Cedar Rapids, IA

Tulsa, OK

Charleston, SC

Some Lessons Learned

• There is no single definition of resilience. Communities define resilience based on their own goals and the challenges they face.

• Building community resilience requires the participation of stakeholders across the diverse community sectors.

• Local government is a key partner.

• In order to mainstream resilience, it is important to build it into existing efforts.

• The process for building resilience is itself an important act of strengthening resilience.

• Communities struggle with how to effectively community risk.
Thank you!

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