

Resilience Hubs – A Community Roadmap

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Engage community on extreme weather preparedness and recovery.

Reduced flood and heat impacts through stormwater management infrastructure and green space.

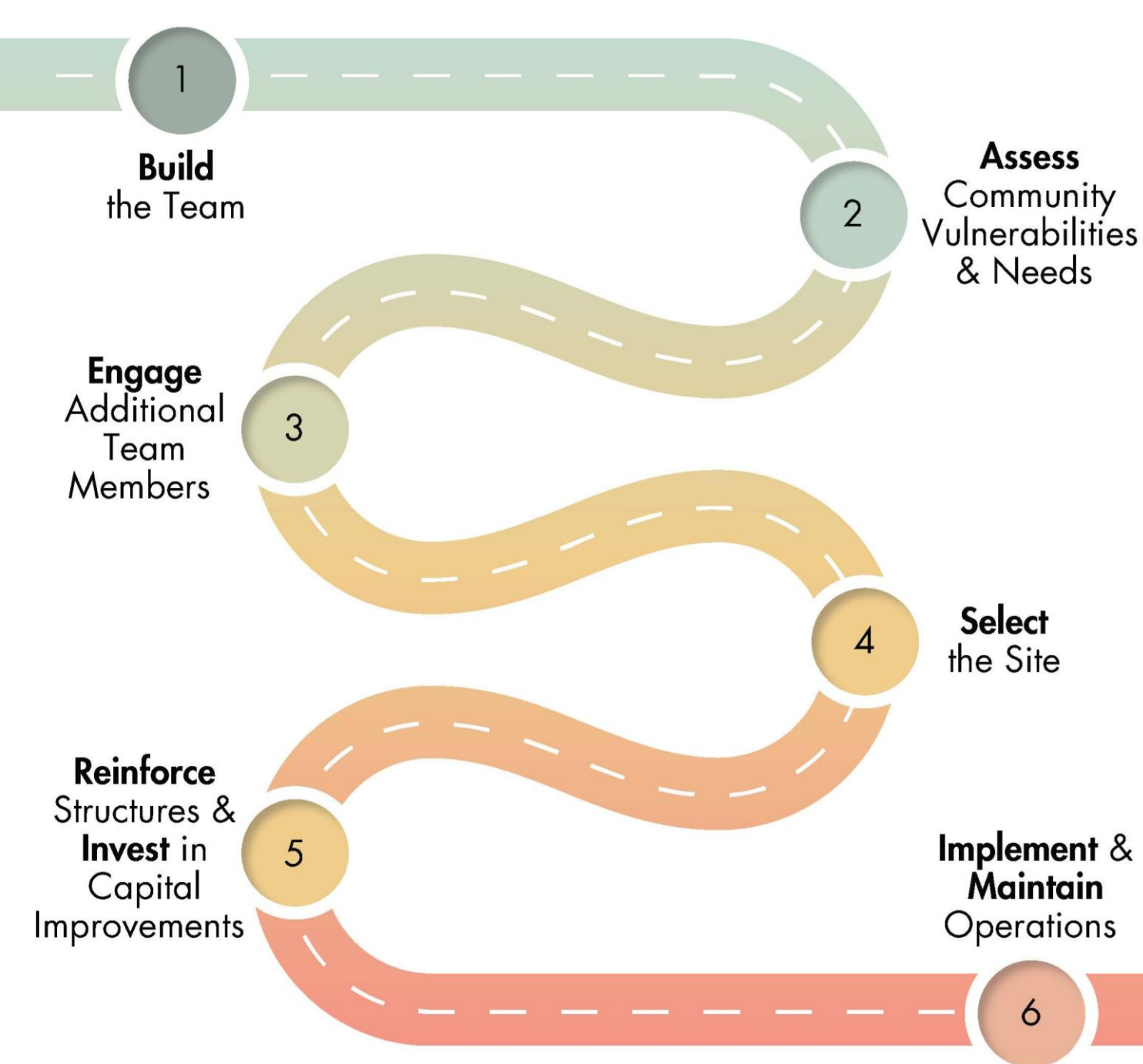
Enhance community welfare through holistic social service programs

During power outages, provide reliable electricity and heat.

*Alan M. Voorhees
Transportation Center
(VTC) at Rutgers*

What is a resilience hub?

A multi-functional place crucial to providing community support and offering services and resources before, during, and after extreme weather events.

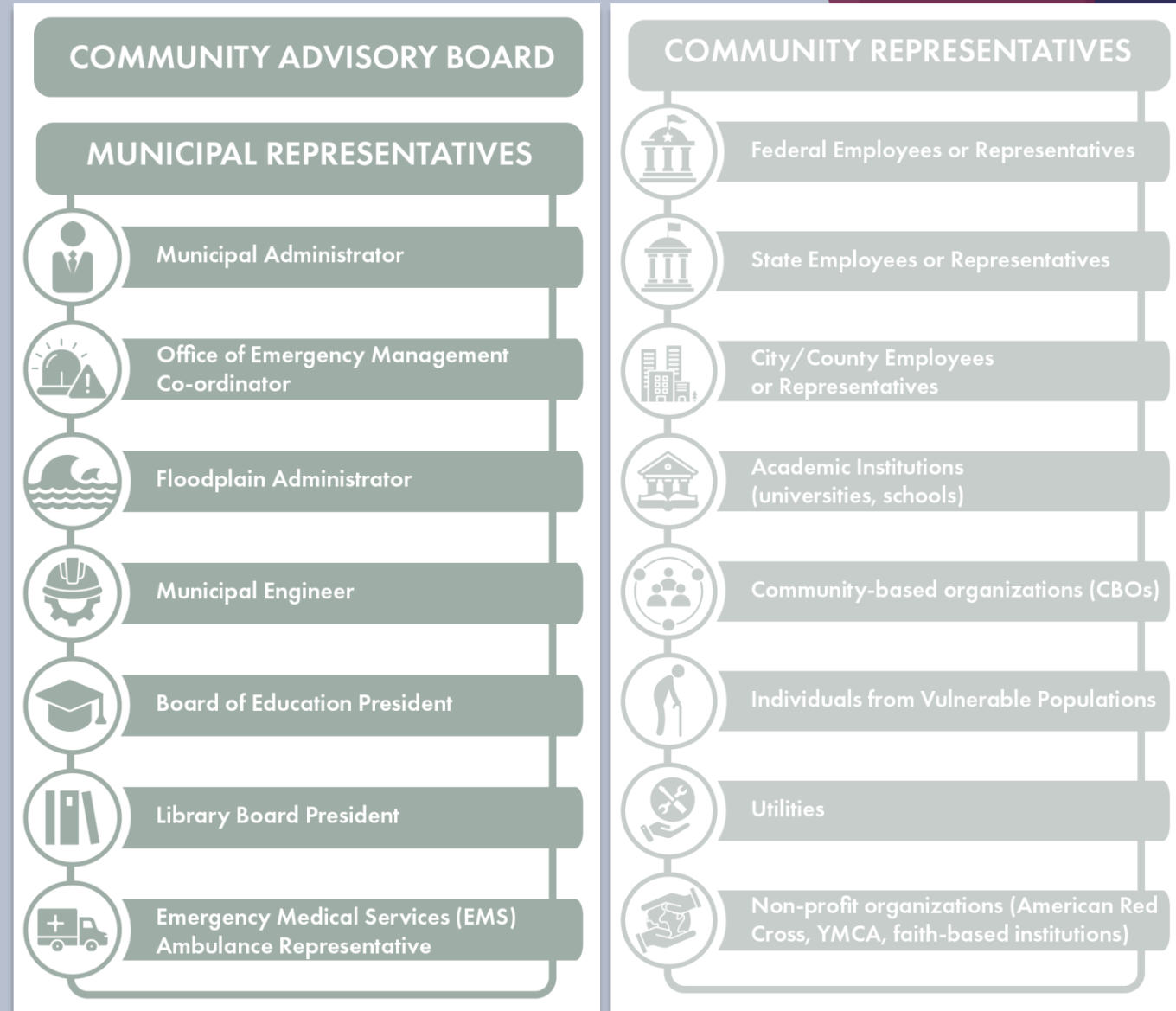


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Step 1: Build the Team

Build the team who will decide what facilities are trusted places.

They will also decide what community needs are before, during, and after extreme weather events.



Step 2: Assess Community Vulnerabilities & Needs

Find out the vulnerabilities and needs of the community that the resilience hub will serve.



Documents to Leverage



- **Hazard Mitigation Plan**
- **Master Plan**
 - Climate Change - Related Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (CCRHVA)
- **Resilience Action Plan**

Step 3: Engage Additional Team Members

If needed: Include new stakeholders from previously unidentified communities and trusted institutions.



Resilience Hub Implementation Toolkit

Step 4: Select the Site

- The resilience hub's location should be:
 - Informed by the community needs assessment (Step 2)
 - Centrally located to allow for easy, fair accessibility
- Consider publicly owned facilities such as schools, libraries, and recreational facilities; or houses of worship.



Step 5: Reinforce Structures & Invest in Capital Improvements

- Follow federal and state flood and stormwater regulations.
- Consider sustainable and resilient materials.
- Consider power generation needed for reliable electricity and heat.



Step 6: Implement & Maintain Operations



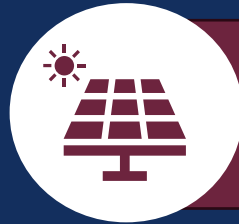
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Operations & Maintenance Plan documents standard policies and procedures related to:

- Staff/volunteer roles
- Emergency communication protocols
- Partner agreements
- Resource inventory

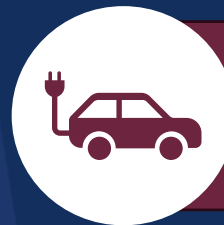
Toolkit Overview

A toolkit with a collection of resources for:



Providing Emergency Services

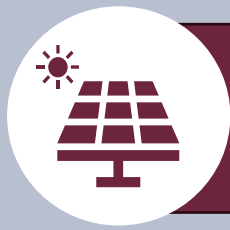
Providing Ongoing Services



Resilient Enhancements to Existing Facilities

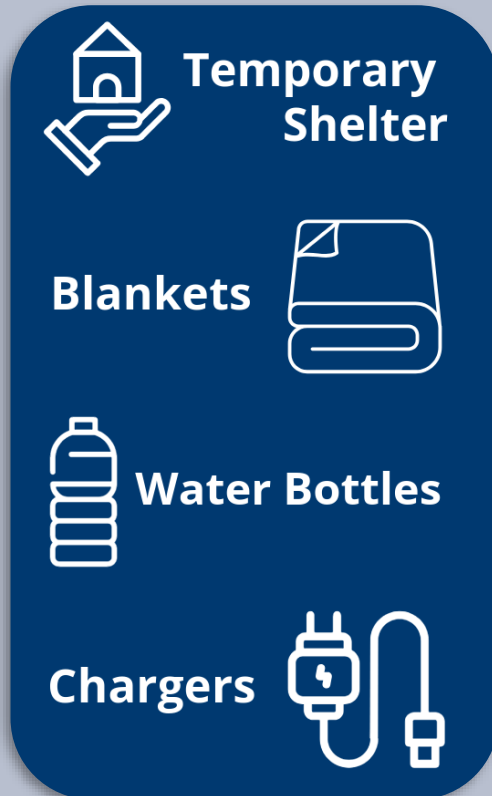
Finding Funding Sources





Emergency Services

Emergency services may include...



... but relies heavily on the consistent, reliable energy, which may be provided through:

- Microgrids
- Solar panels
- Battery storage
- Electric generator

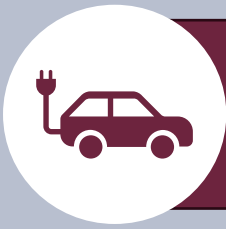


Ongoing Services

**Consider services
already provided...**

-  **Informative Materials**
- Library of Things** 
-  **Community Classes**
- Job Training** 

**... and fill in the gaps with
what your community might
need.**



Resilient Enhancements

Resilient enhancements to existing facilities can include...



NJTPA

**Electric Vehicle
(EV) Infrastructure**



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Biophilic Design



Ed Murray

**Community
Gardens and
Urban Forestry**



Funding Sources

- Combine and diversify revenue streams
- Can come from:
 - Federal and state grants
 - State incentives
 - Municipal funds
 - Philanthropic donations

The collage features several key elements:

- drive green new jersey**: A banner with green leaves and a car icon.
- NJWB**: New Jersey Water Bank with NJDEP. Includes text: "Low cost State funds and assistance for Water Infrastructure projects. LEARN MORE ABOUT NJWB CHOICES".
- NJ Transportation Bank Financing Program**: Includes text: "Low cost State funds and assistance for Local Transportation projects. LEARN MORE ABOUT NJTB CHOICES".
- NJTIB**: New Jersey Transportation Infrastructure Bank with NJDOT. Includes text: "Low cost State funds and assistance for Local Transportation projects. LEARN MORE ABOUT NJTIB CHOICES".
- NJ Resilience Bank Financing Program**: Includes text: "Low cost State funds and assistance for Resilience projects. LEARN MORE ABOUT NJRIB CHOICES".
- NJRIB**: New Jersey Resilience Infrastructure Bank with NJDEM.
- NEW JERSEY MITIGATION RESOURCE GUIDE**: Federal funding, technical assistance, and other resources to support hazard mitigation. FEMA REGION II • JULY 2020.
- SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANTS PROGRAM**: Cycle Funded By: PSEG FOUNDATION. Sections 1 & 2 of Grant Application Due: Friday, February 13. PSEG-Funded Grants Cycle Now Open! \$20k, \$10k and \$2k grants available for municipal sustainability projects. Click here to learn more.
- New Jersey's cleanenergy program™**: Logo with a sun and waves.
- New Jersey FUNDING One Stop Shop**: WELCOME TO NEW JERSEY'S FUNDING ONE STOP SHOP.
- RESILIENT NJ CLIMATE RESILIENCE FUNDING DIRECTORY**: Explore Grants, About, Success Stories, Resources.

RESILIENT NJ

New NOFA!!

Resilient NJ: Regional Assistance Program – Regional Planning Grants



The Resilient NJ program, administered through DEP's Office Climate Resilience, is providing the opportunity for New Jersey municipalities to apply to establish self-identified regions to apply to be part of a regional resilience planning process led by multidisciplinary professional consulting teams. These plans are crafted to increase resilience, build local capacity, and allow local governments to address their needs and identify and implement innovative regional solutions to address climate change related risk, while enhancing the value and integrity of ecological, economic, recreational, and natural resources in their communities.

Through funding made available from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) as part of the Building a Climate Ready NJ initiative (<https://climateready.nj.gov/>), and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), this Resilient NJ opportunity is open to municipalities in all twenty-one counties. As many as four regional teams will receive grants of up to \$300,000 each to improve climate resilience in their communities. Regional teams must be made up of at least three contiguous municipalities and at least one community-based organization.

Regional teams will be paired with multidisciplinary consulting teams to participate in a comprehensive planning process to develop regional resilience action plans and ultimately implement selected actions from those plans. Once all regions and consulting teams have been selected and matched, it is expected that these projects will kick off in early 2026.

Grant applications are due July 7, 2026, at 12PM.

A webinar will be held on **May 12, 2026**, from 2 pm-3 pm to learn more about this opportunity. [Click here to register.](#)

For more information and application materials, visit: <https://resilient.nj.gov>



Thank you!

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