# Is resilience resilient?

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Around the world, disasters are becoming more frequent and severe as recovery costs are growing.





Global Losses

# 75%

Attributed to extreme weather events

Financial losses from adverse events have grown exponentially over the past 36 years, rising from **\$50 billion** per year to **\$200 billion**.

#### 2001 - 2016



CDBG-DR Allocations



FEMA Major Disaster Declarations

Source: HUD, FEMA

In the US, federal recovery funding is unable to cover these increasing costs.



Cities, and the infrastructure that support them, are more vulnerable than ever to climate changerelated risks, and conventional solutions are ill-suited to address the increased risks urban density.

## At HR&A, we empower communities to addres pressing resilience challenges by leveraging assets to create value.

#### **PATHWAYS FOR RESILIENCE**



## CAPACITY BUILDING

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Resilience Practice

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Design, facilitate, and implement programs that build organization capacity and prepare communities to think strategically about resilience and sustainability.

## STRATEGIC PLANNING & POLICY

Evaluation of systems' vulnerability and climate mitigation and adaptation to identify opportunities for implementation in strategic resilience and sustainability plans.

## IMPLEMENTATION

Economic feasibility and creative funding strategies for resilience and sustainability of infrastructure and the built environment through adaptation to risks of extreme climate conditions and energy efficiency interventions.

#### THE RESILIENCE LOOP



### THE RESILIENCE PRINCIPLES









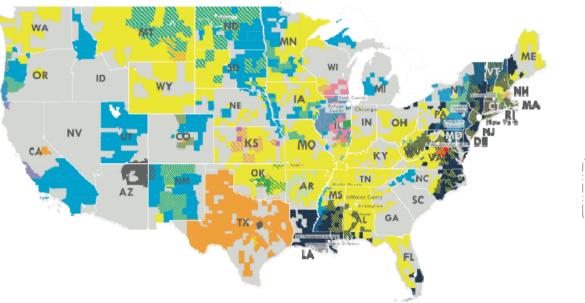


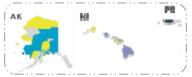
SUPPORT MULTIPLE BENEFITS WITH EACH ACTIVITY MAKE IMPROVEMENTS AS PART OF NATURAL BUILDING CYCLES, AND ADDRESS MARKET FAILURES

INCORPORATE LOCAL INVOLVEMENT IN DESIGN AND DECISION-MAKING WORK IN LAYERS FOR INDEPENDENTLY EFFECTIVE SOLUTIONS DEVELOP ADAPTIVE AND FLEXIBLE STRATEGIES









#### NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE COMPETITION

Led **67** disaster-impacted communities through resilience strategy development.

Produced **eight** academies attended by over **500** jurisdiction representatives and partners, including **250** subject matter experts.

Facilitated access to **technical assistance** from climate scientists, engineers, designers, and policy advocates.

Managed **federal** efforts to inform **local** resilience insights

NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE COMPETITION

#### **OUTCOMES**

# New Orleans \$141M

VIRGINIA \$121M

## NEW YORK CITY \$176M

**Gentilly Resilience District** 

Green Infrastructure & Economic Development Center Lower Manhattan Coastal protection system

#### **OTHER WINNING JURISDICTIONS**

The State of California will receive \$70M The State of Connecticut will receive \$54M The State of Iowa will receive almost \$97M The State of Louisiana will receive almost \$93M The City of Minot, ND will receive \$74M The State of New Jersey will receive \$15M The State of New York will receive \$36M Shelby County, TN will receive \$60M Springfield, MA will receive \$17M The State of Tennessee will receive almost \$45M

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# POLICY & STRATEGIC PLANNING

#### **100 RESILIENT CITIES | NOLA**

Supported **evaluation** of city performance and perceptions.

**Strategic action plan** support. Created briefing books, facilitated working groups, conducted research, & prioritized actions.

Developed city's **strategy framework**, which included goals and implementation actions.

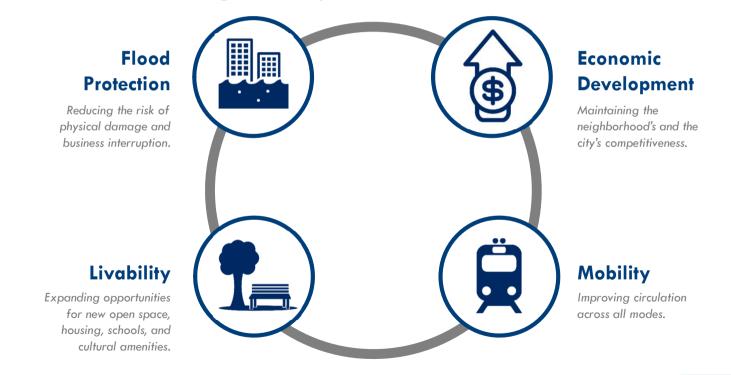


# IMPLEMENTATION

FUNDING SOURCES

### **STRATEGIES**

With multiple benefits, the potential to unlock new sources of funding is expanded.



**FUNDING SOURCES** 

## STRATEGIES

Ability to leverage other public and private investments to reduce certain project costs.

ALTERNATIVE FUNDNG SOURCES



**PROJECT COST** 

# INTEGRATE PARKS & INFRASTRUCTURE

#### DEVELOPER IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS



## **STRATEGIES**

By expanding project scope, additional funding sources can be utilized.

Local	State	Federal	Private/Utility
NYCDOT	NYSDOT	FTA, FHWA	Property Assessment
NYCDEP	NYSDEC	CDBG-DR	Development Rights
NYCHA	MTA	National Park Service	Earned Income
NYC Parks	PANYNJ	USACE	Philanthropy
		FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance	Utility Providers

**FUNDING SOURCES** 

#### LESSONS

Recognize and quantify a broad array of **public and private benefits.** 

Attract federal funds by **matching** the project **benefits** case to evolving federal **cost-benefit frameworks**.

Apply value capture mechanisms to **monetize the benefits** of resilience projects accruing to a diverse mix of parties.

Align resiliency investment plans with other municipal levers to **reduce total project costs**.