

# Bay Area UASI - Local Roadmaps to Community Resilience Project Overview

### What are the Local Roadmaps to Community Resilience?

A process developed for communities to become more resilient by *understanding risks* through the self-assessment and analysis of hazards, exposure, vulnerabilities, and capacities. It is *action orientated* in that it supports communities to move from understanding risks to identifying preparedness and risk reduction action plans.

Local Roadmaps to Community Resilience will be developed in Phase 1 of the Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP) Equitable Community Resilience Project (November 2023 - July 2024).

Phase 2 of the RCPGP Equitable Community Resilience Project (starting Fall 2024) will focus on implementing actions/projects identified in the Local Roadmap to Community Resilience. Phase 2 includes grant writing technical assistance and an <u>opportunity to fund smaller-scale priority projects identified in Phase 1.</u>

The Local Roadmaps to Community Resilience project consists of 4 sequential milestones:

- 1. Preparation
- 2. Assessment
- 3. Planning
- 4. Document and Share

Important Note: Due to project constraints materials and meetings during Phase 1 and 2 will be developed/conducted in English Only. There is an opportunity to have live Spanish (or potentially other languages) translated during meetings, if requested.

### Who should be involved in the development of the Local Roadmap to Community Resilience?

- ★ Bay Area UASI: Project sponsor and grant awardee for RCPGP funds; provides oversight and overall project management
- ★ Consultant Team: Supports project implementation including development of meeting materials and documents and facilitation of meetings; reports to Bay Area UASI project manager
- ★ Jurisdictional POC (Government): Supports consultant team with subject matter expertise; identification of census tract and community partners; participation in project milestones and meetings; supports Phase 2 grant opportunities
- ★ Community Representatives (Nonprofit, Volunteer/Faith-Based Organization, Local Business): provides crucial subject matter expertise on the census tract/community identified; participates in all aspects of project milestones and meetings; supports the identification of prioritized actions/project

The above groups and/or individuals are referred to as the project **Planning Team** throughout this document.



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### What will happen during Phase 1 milestones of the project?

#### **MILESTONE 1: PREPARATION**

- Step 1: Select your disadvantaged census tract
  - o Jurisdictional POC will select a disadvantaged census tract using the Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) Click here for CJEST Tool
  - o Jurisdictional POC will begin to identify the "planning team" to include community partners (volunteer organizations, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, local businesses, etc.) and County/City representatives (i.e., Office of Sustainability, AFN/Equity Officer, Climate Change representatives, Emergency Management staff, etc.)
- Step 2: Gather existing research & data
  - o The Consultant Team will gather available demographic, hazard, social vulnerability and climate change data for the identified census tract
  - o Jurisdictional POC and community partners will share any additional data about the community identified (if available) for inclusion into the UASI Regional Resilience GIS platform
  - o Consultant Team will compile research and data into a "community profile"
- Step 3: Introductions
  - Consultant Team will schedule a virtual Local Kickoff Meeting with the project planning team (includes community partners and City/County staff) this meeting will lay out project purpose, outcomes, meetings, timelines, roles and responsibilities and any address questions
- Step 4: Setting the foundations
  - o All planning team members are encouraged to attend the **Community Resilience** training course when it is offered; this course will help establish common terminology and best practices for the project implementation
  - o The **Community Resilience** training course will be offered both in-person and virtual several times in 2024; dates TBD

## MILESTONE 2: ASSESSMENT (Virtual Meeting: Focus Group Discussion)

- Step 1: Review Community Profile
  - Consultant team will present the "Community Profile" research & data findings to the planning team during the Focus Group Discussion; planning team will provide insight, feedback and validate findings
- Step 2: Understand Risks
  - o Planning team will be guided through the self-assessment process by the Consultant Team to include:
    - Assess hazards/threats → what is affecting us?
    - Assess exposure → where is it affecting us?
    - Assess vulnerability → why is it affecting us?
    - Assess (coping) capacity → what do we have to face it



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- Step 3: Determine level of risk
  - Planning team will prioritize hazards, calculate risks and identify how these hazards/risk affect the community

## MILESTONE 3: PLANNING (In-Person Meeting: Community Level Action Planning Workshop)

- Step 1: Visioning
  - Planning team brainstorms on what they want to achieve in their community in the future (in terms of disaster preparedness & response – including actions to address equity barriers and climate considerations)
- Step 2: Identify actions
  - o Planning team discusses potential solutions and identifies and prioritizes actions/projects
- Step 3: Develop an action plan
  - o For identified actions/projects brainstorm the potential resources needed (costs, personnel, etc.) and timeline for implementation
  - o Consultant Team will gather all actions/projects into a matrix and provide to planning team for feedback (via online survey and virtual listening session)

#### **MILESTONE 4: DOCUMENT AND SHARE**

- Step 1: Documentation
  - Consultant Team will develop Draft/Final Local Roadmap to Community Resilience which will include project methodology, community profile (including equity and climate discussions) and matrix of identifies actions/projects
- Step 2: Digitalize
  - o Upload non-sensitive information to the UASI Regional Resilience GIS platform
- Step 3: Share with key stakeholders
  - Share Final Local Roadmap to Community Resilience with planning team including link to UASI Regional Resilience GIS platform