

Centering the Community in Resilience Planning

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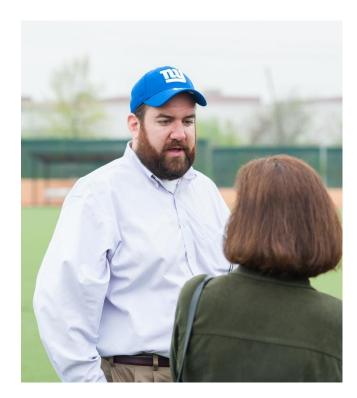




We are a peer-to-peer network of people and organizations working to restore and revitalize urban waterways and the socioeconomically challenged communities that surround them

### **Today's Presenters**





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UWLN Webinar September 12, 2019 Corrine Van Hook-Turner



### Who We Are

Movement Strategy Center (MSC) supports people, grassroots organizations, alliances, networks, and funders to build the leadership, vision and relationships necessary for powerful and transformative social justice movements.



# **Big Inquiry**

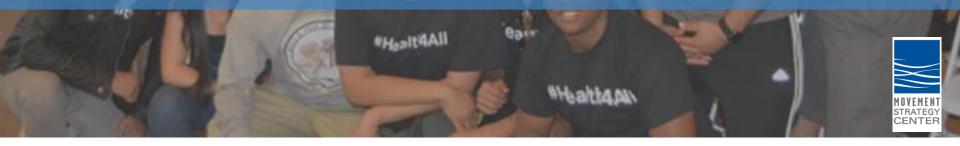
How do we lead a transition from a world of domination and extraction to a world of regeneration, resilience, and interdependence?





### **Our Projects and Programs**

- Transitions in Place
  Innovation Center
  Restorative Economy
- Youth and Intergenerational Organizing
- Community Climate Solutions



## What is Climate Resilience?

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### RESILIENCE =

Adaptation +

Mitigation +

Social Cohesion +

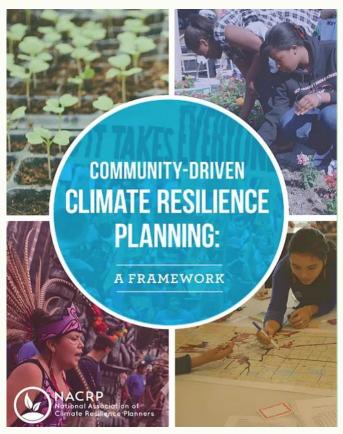
Equity



### Community-Driven Climate Resilience Planning Framework

- This <u>framework</u> was co-launched with NACRP members and grassroots partners via the NACRP in the summer of 2017.
- It was created through convening community driven planners from basebuilding and base-building support organizations.
- It includes principles, practices, and key capacities for community-driven







# Community-Driven Planning



- Builds leadership outside of local government agencies
- Increases collaboration and capacity
- Advances a multi-sectoral approach for more holistic and effective solutions



### **Priorities**

- Promote communitydriven climate resilience solutions and centralize frontline community leadership
- Ensure climate solutions meet real needs of climate-impacted communities

- Increase capacity for whole systems thinking and cross-sector collaboration
- Foster opportunities for strategic alignment among leaders in climate movement ecosystem to scale up communitydriven solutions



Seven Components of Community-Driven Planning



Engine of Climate Resilience Planning



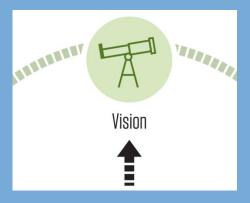


Define the goal

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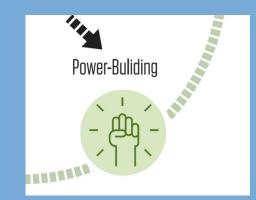
- Make sure it's communityderived
- Inspire social cohesion
  - Motivate engagement for the work ahead

### Visioning



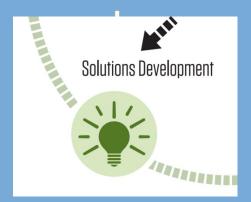
- Invests in both people and systems
- Builds cross-sector coalitions
- Increases self-governance
- Increases democratic engagement capacity
- Builds strategies and connection across all levels of governance and stakeholders (residents to decisionmakers)

### **Power Building**





# Solutions Developmen



## **Five Principles**

- 1. Whole Systems Thinking
- 2. Desired Outcomes Reflected in Every Step
- 3. Planning Process as a Learning Process

- 4. Planning into Action
- 5. Balancing Power Dynamics among Stakeholders





### National Association of Climate Resilience

NACRP is an emerging multi-stakeholder, peer-learning, resource, and referral network that fosters effective, place-based climate resilience planning and implementation. Visit nacrp.org for more info. Members O Facilitator  $\mathbf{O}$ 



o Partners





### Climate Justice for Ironbound and for Newark



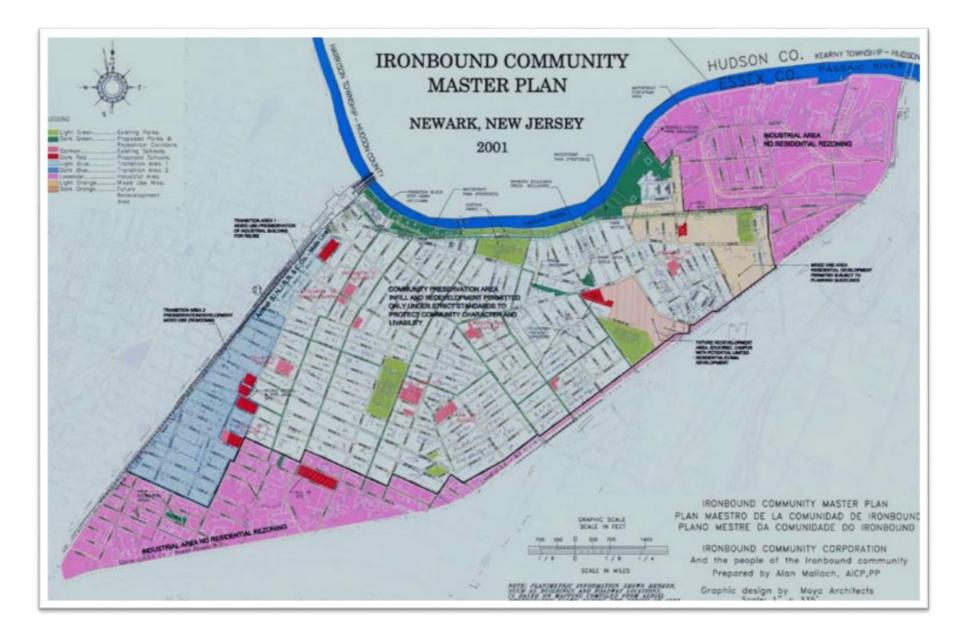




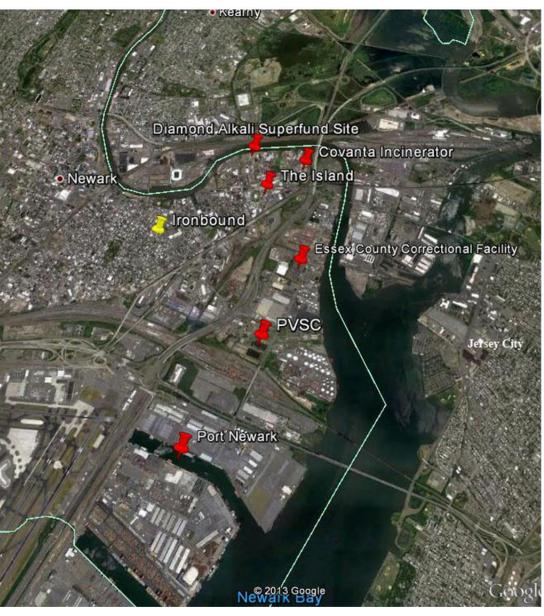


- Early Childhood
   Education & Youth
   Development
- Family Services & Adult Education
- Environmental Justice & Community Development

# 47 years of serving our community



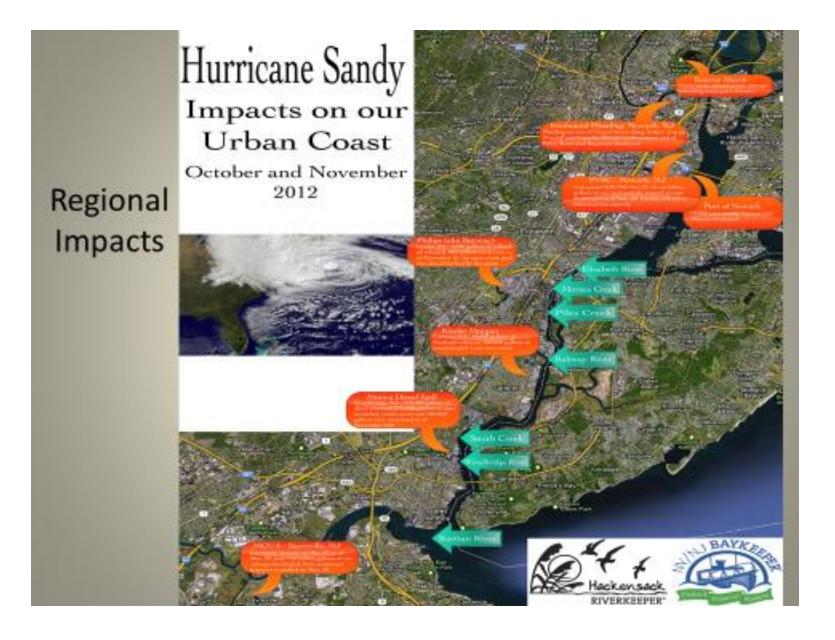
# Ironbound: EJ Context

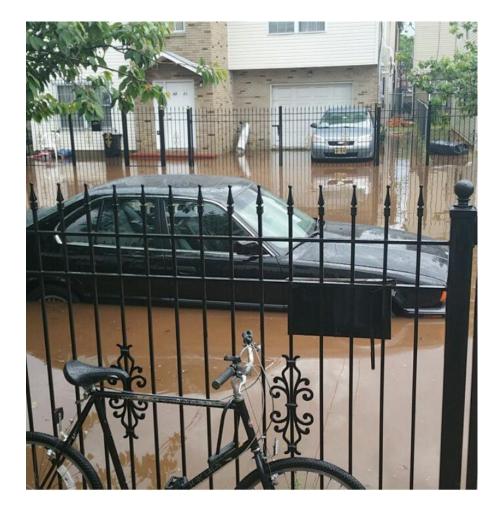






### Superstorm Sandy was a game changer!

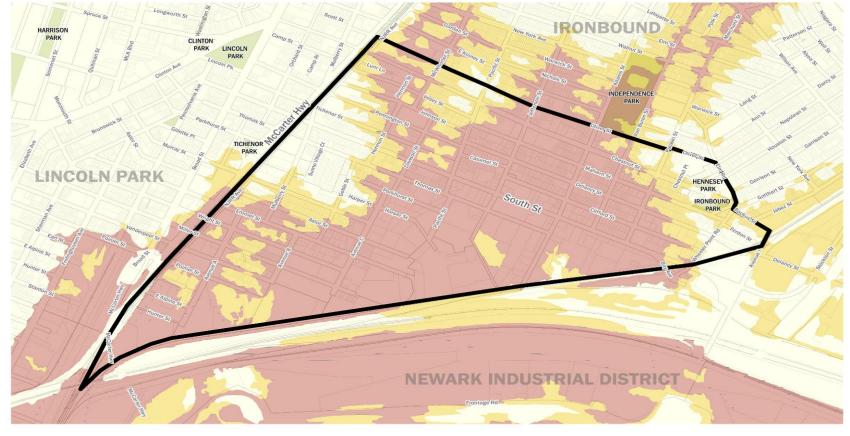






# On top of everyday flooding

# FEMA FLOOD RISK ZONES: future vulnerability



A 0 0.125 0.25 0.5 Miles

AE - 1% Annual Chance of Flooding 0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard X - Low Risk for Flooding

# Newark Resiliency Action Plan





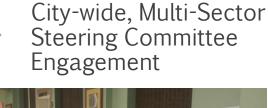
# **NEWARK RAP Process**

#### Starts here!

Neighborhood-based Resident Engagement



## Final Plan & Implementation



City-wide, Multi-Sector Steering Committee Engagement





CLEAN WATER FUND Draft Plan

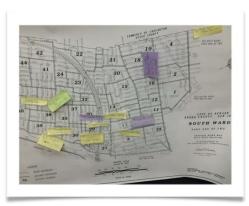
Neighborhood-based Resident Engagement







### **Resiliency Planning**



### 5 Elements of Resiliency:

1.Minimizing flooding and the amount of toxic residue left behind as a result of flooding

2.Reducing temperatures and adapting to heat impacts

3. Preparing for, and responding to, extreme weather situations

4.Reducing Green House Gases (GHG) and local air pollution

5.Minimizing black-outs and stopping the use of dirty energy through energy efficiency and renewable energy alternatives



# **NEWARK RAP: Strategy**



Policy Development at the municipal, state, regional, and federal levels

On-the-ground projects in 3 target wards: East (ICC), South (CWF), and West (NJEJA)

Community Empowerment to create long-lasting, resident



FUND





## **Resiliency Action**







### Green Infrastructure





## **Riverfront Park**

#### EAST IRONBOUND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

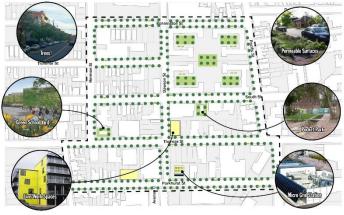
### HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT



### **Green Corridors**

Green Infrastructure, public art, traffic calming and refurbished storefronts along key corridors will improve safety, increase foot traffic to local businesses and enhance connections to the Riverfront parks.

DEMONSTRATION GREEN DISTRICT



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**Future Projects** 

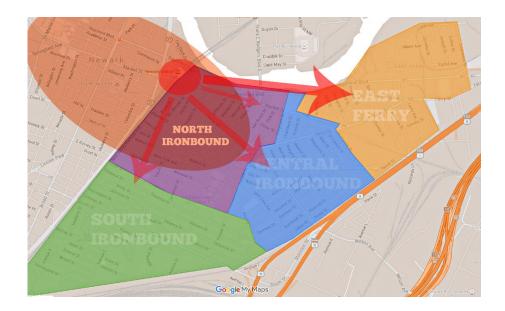
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## **On-going Education**





# Climate Resilience, Gentrification, & Displacement



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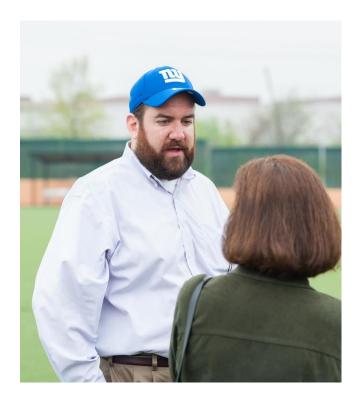


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### For More Information

### **Questions and Thank You!**





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Register for our upcoming webinars:

- Thur. 9/26– Anti-displacement
   Strategies: Environmental
   Restoration...Meet Housing
- Wed. 10/9—After the Storm: Equitable Recovery and Resilient Adaptation (3<sup>rd</sup> in climate resilience series)



Blogs and resources on climate resilience: <u>www.urbanwaterslearningnetwork.org</u>





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