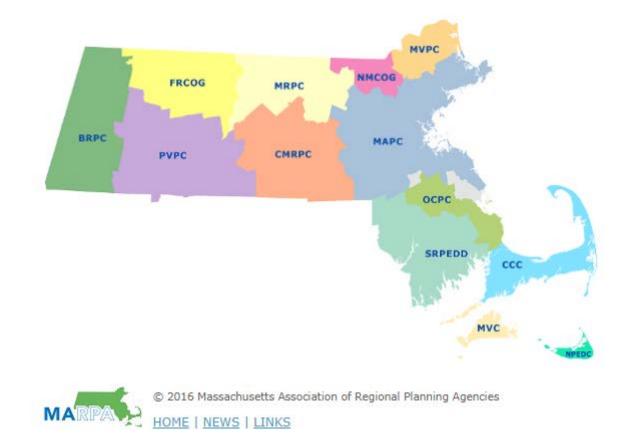
2018 MMA Annual Meeting & Trade Show Weathering Climate Change Through Preparation

RPAs—Catalyzing Regional Progress Connecting Municipalities to State & Other Resources



13 RPAs in MA - www.massmarpa.org



Pioneer Valley Planning Commission

43 cities & towns In Hampden & Hampshire counties

PVPC = RPA Example





U.S. 2017 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters Minnesota Hail Storm and North Dakota, South Upper Midwest Severe Weather Dakota, and June 9-11 Montana Drought Spring-Fall 2017 Midwest Tornado Outbreak March 6-8 Western Wildfires. California Firestorm Summer-Fall Central/Southeast 2017 Tornado Outbreak February 28-March 1 California Missouri and Arkansas Flooding (Flooding and Central February 8-22 Severe Weather April 25-May 7 Colorado Hail Storm and Central Severe Weather Southeast Freeze May 8-11 March 14-16 Southern Tornado Midwest Severe Outbreak and Weather Western Storms June 27-29 Hurricane Harvey January 20-22 August 25-31 Midwest Severe Weather June 12–16 Hurricane Hurricane Irma South/Southeast Severe Weather Maria September 6-12 March 26-28 September 19-21

This map denotes the approximate location for each of the 16 billion-dollar weather and climate disasters that impacted the United States during 2017.

www.noaa.gov 16 severe weather events that each cost more than a billion dollars

www.pvpc.org

resilience is the capacity of individuals, communities, institutions, businesses, and systems within a municipality to survive, adapt, and grow no matter what kinds of chronic stresses and acute shocks they experience.

Chronic stresses weaken the fabric of a municipality on a daily or cyclical basis

- poverty,
- racism and the long term consequences and effects of institutionalized racism,
- unemployment,
- and food insecurity...

Acute shocks are sudden sharp events that threaten a municipality.

- tornado, microburst, incessant rain,
- snow storm in October when the leaves were still on the trees,
- and Hurricanes...

From the Rockefeller Foundation 100 Resilient cities http://www.100resilientcities.org/

RPAs do Resilience – enhance member municipality capacity to survive, adapt & grow

- MVP Certified
- Hazard Mitigation Planning
- Vulnerability Assessments
- Traffic Studies

- Green Infrastructure
- Pavement Management
- Emergency Preparedness
- Transit Planning

Connecting to State & Other Resources

- Plans/certifications to access funds
- State distribution via RPAs-DLTA, Transportation
- Regional roundtables, newsletters, workshops, & ongoing education and training
- Grant Writing
- Local Technical Assistance



RPAs = clearinghouse---source of information, access to resources...

RPAs do Resilience - enhance member municipality capacity to survive, adapt & grow

- Project Management
- Data Collection & Analysis
- GIS Services
- Historic Preservation
- CDBG

- Community
 Engagement
- Housing Assistance & Rehab
- Complete Streets
- Corridor Planning
- Media Relations

55 Years Local Experience Systems Approach

- Bringing Municipalities together for shared regional vision
- Working muni by muni to enhance muni capacity to adapt, survive & grow
- Across Sectors & Subject Areas



Regional Coordinating Bodies

- Plan for Progress
- Joint Transportation Committee
- Valley Development Council
- Regional Housing Committee
- Climate Action/Clean Energy Committee
- CT River Clean-Up Committee
- CT River Stormwater Committee





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Green Communitie Certification



MVP Assistance



Hazard Mitigation Plan

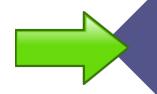


Land Use Planning Impl Grant

Climate Action & Resilience Plan



HMGP Implementation



Resilience/Sustainability Coordinator



Key Resources

- <u>http://www.adaptationclearinghouse.org/</u>
 - An online database and networking site that serves policymakers and others who are working to help communities adapt to climate change
- <u>https://kresge.org/climate-adaptation</u>
 - The state of practice of climate adaptation in US communities
- <u>https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/smart-growth-fixes-climate-adaptation-and-resilience</u>
 - Changing Land Use, Building Codes & Policies to Prepare for Climate Change

www.resilientspringfield.org

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