



## June ONE BAY Newsletter



### A Message to Our Resiliency Partners

Dear Resiliency Partners,

We want to first recognize the way our local government partners have demonstrated immense innovation in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. Jurisdictions have quickly adapted to remote public meetings and online citizen engagement, all while conducting emergency operations to ensure citizen's safety. As such, we know the task of moving forward with creating communities that are resilient to the natural hazards associated with a changing climate has felt even more challenging. We want to ensure our partners that TBRPC staff are continuing to collect resources and offer learning opportunities to prioritize resilience for our region.

Helping us with these efforts is a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Thanks to this funding we can engage and expand our regional resiliency working groups, and our ONE BAY resources. The grant is also supports TBRPC staff in assisting local government partners with identifying gaps in their community vulnerability assessments and identifying their local priorities for resilience. These efforts are ongoing, and communities needing assistance are encouraged to contact TBRPC staff.

Sincerely,

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### August ONE BAY Meeting

The Next ONE Bay working group meeting will be held virtually on Friday, **August 7, 2020**. Agendas will be made available one week in advance of the meeting. If you have a project you would like to share or

topic your jurisdiction would like to discuss with the group, please contact us.

[View ONE BAY Meeting Information](#)

## Resiliency Resources



## Regional Resources

### **New: FEMA BRIC Webinars**

FEMA is hosting webinars each Wednesday in July to increase awareness of the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program grant. The July 15th webinar is on Building Codes, July 22nd webinar is on Community Lifelines, and the July 29th webinar will focus on nature-based solutions. [Register online](#). Since BRIC grants require a specific cost-benefit analysis (CBA), the TBRPC is exploring interest in holding a special review session for local governments. Send your comments to Cara Serra at [cara@tbrpc.org](mailto:cara@tbrpc.org).

### **COVID Economic Research**

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) has produced a preliminary analysis of the economic impacts of COVID-19 on the Tampa Bay Area and Florida economies, which can be used in local government recovery planning. [Read More...](#)

## Resiliency Engagement Tools

### **Energy Sustainability Survey**

The survey was developed by TBRPC staff with input from local government sustainability managers and members of the Clean Energy Workgroup of the Resiliency Coalition. The Workgroup is supporting efforts to develop regional objectives, strategies, and plans for increasing energy efficiency, fuel reduction, targeted clean energy goals, and innovative energy resilience projects. [Read More...](#)

### **Regional Evacuation Survey**

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and the University of South Florida are partnering to research the 2020 Hurricane Season within the Tampa Bay Region and the rest of Florida. This survey will be distributed to Florida

residents, along with our regional partners and government leaders, to get an overall picture of how an evacuation event might play out during a season that has the added difficulty of a health crisis. Please click the link to participate in either the English or Spanish survey. [Read More...](#)

### **All Hazard Disaster Planning Guide**

TBRPC's All-Hazards Disaster Planning Guide provides preparedness information for hazards including hurricanes, floods, tornadoes, hazardous materials, and terrorism. The guide includes hurricane evacuation maps for participating coastal counties in the Tampa Bay area. [Read More...](#)

## **Community Wellness**

### **Florida Housing Coalition Disaster Recovery Webinars**

Each Friday at 1:30 pm the Coalition hosts a one-hour webinar on hurricane recovery. We provide updates on resources that are under development to assist SHIP administrators and housing providers such as disaster assistance toolkits and resource guides. Each webinar features a panel discussion on a variety of topics concerning recovery, preparation, and mitigation. Each webinar is recorded and posted to our website along with the presentation and handouts. [Read More...](#)



### **EPA Gulf of Mexico**

One Bay meetings, newsletters, and additional outreach are being made possible thanks to support for the Environmental Protection Agency's Gulf of Mexico Program.

