

NORTH CAROLINA RESILIENT COASTAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



PURPOSE

The NC Resilient Coastal Communities Program (RCCP) provides financial grants and technical assistance to coastal local governments to support a proactive, equitable, and locally-driven approach to coastal resilience planning and project implementation.



Building resilience to natural hazards is vital for communities to help maintain quality of life, healthy growth, durable systems, and conservation of resources for present and future generations.

GOALS

1. Strengthen coastal communities through resilience planning and projects that increase local capacity, overcome economic constraints, and foster diverse and inclusive decision-making.
2. Assist local communities in conducting comprehensive risk and vulnerability assessments to develop a portfolio of prioritized resilience projects tailored to the community's needs.
3. Advance identified resilience projects to "shovel-ready" status, meaning ready for implementation.
4. Provide competitive funding opportunities for project identification and implementation and link communities to additional financial resources to sustain long-term resilience efforts.



Phases 1 and 2 are designed to help NC coastal communities with resiliency planning. Following completion of Phases 1 and 2, communities will have performed a data and community-driven risk and vulnerability assessment and developed a portfolio of prioritized solutions to address these risks, including the incorporation of natural or nature-based solutions.

CONTEXT

Coastal hazards such as flooding and erosion have had devastating impacts on the economies and livelihoods of communities across eastern North Carolina. Economic and local capacity constraints hinder the actions needed to enhance resilience and reduce vulnerability within coastal communities.

Participating in the RCCP has many benefits. The program fosters education, community involvement, and partnerships in resilience planning. It also breaks down barriers to engagement, involving new stakeholders in planning initiatives, and bringing resilience planning directly to communities in need.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS (2020 - 2023)



\$1.86M awarded to conduct vulnerability assessments and identify projects in **41 communities**.



\$1.14M awarded to design and engineer **20 top-priority resilience projects**.



\$1.16M awarded to implement **5 shovel-ready projects** with nature-based components.

ENGINEERING & DESIGN PROJECT INSIGHTS



95% addressed Stormwater Management & Flooding.

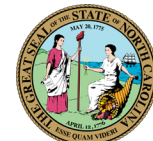


80% included Natural & Nature-Based Components.



30% involved Policy & Planning Initiatives.

PROGRAM PARTNERS



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