

CLIMATE READY COMMUNITIES

DOES YOUR COMMUNITY NEED TO BUILD CLIMATE RESILIENCE?
NOT SURE WHERE TO START AND/OR HAVE LIMITED FUNDS?
WE CAN HELP.

As the intensity and frequency of hurricanes, floods, droughts, wildfires, heat waves, and other climate-driven disturbances increase, local leaders around the country are realizing they need to build resilience to protect their communities. But many community leaders do not know where to start and they do not have funding to hire a high-priced consultant.



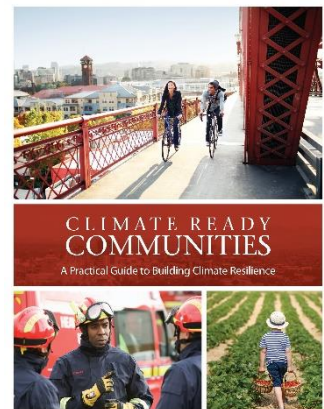
Sound familiar? If so, Climate Ready Communities can help you address this challenge.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Building on its experience helping communities develop climate resilience plans over the last 10 years through its ClimateWise® consulting services, the Geos Institute has developed the Climate Ready Communities program. This program enables small to mid-sized communities to create climate resilience plans using an “assisted Do-It-Yourself” approach. The program consists of:

- ▶ The [*Practical Guide for Building Climate Resilience*](#) available for download at no cost
- ▶ [*The CRC Support Package*](#) for assistance using the Guide
- ▶ [*Other Services*](#) to supplement the Guide and Annual Support as needed

The core element of the Climate Ready Communities program is the comprehensive *Practical Guide to Building Climate Resilience*. This Guide is structured as a step by step framework that includes many on-the-ground ideas and free resources for implementing each step. This framework is based on the Whole Community Resilience approach that the ClimateWise® team has developed over its years of experience helping communities.



For communities that seek assistance using the Guide and access to the experts who wrote the Guide, the Climate Ready Communities program offers a Support Package option at \$500 for a 2-year subscription. Counties and other regional organizations may share the Support resources among other communities within their geographic scope.

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The Support Package includes:

- ▶ Templates to help you complete the resilience planning process quickly and efficiently
- ▶ Tutorials for key concepts in the Guide
- ▶ Access to the Climate Ready Community library of climate resilience webinars
- ▶ A 1 hour get-acquainted phone call with Geos Institute staff
- ▶ Access to the CRC subscriber portal
 - Templates & tutorials available within an outline of the Guide tasks
 - Includes an online forum for subscriber communications
 - Allows users to track progress as they move through steps and tasks
- ▶ Email and phone support to address technical issues or basic questions

Other Services may be used to supplement the Guide and Annual Support or independently.

- ▶ Blocks of additional consulting time
- ▶ Local climate change projections
- ▶ On-site facilitation, with optional documentation of workshop results
- ▶ Webinars on climate and resilience-related topics
- ▶ Final report writing

ABOUT US

Our goal is to ensure that communities of all sizes in the US and Canada have effective climate resilience programs in place to protect their people, natural resources, economy, infrastructure, and culture.



Over the past decade of helping communities understand and adapt to changing climate conditions, our team has developed a proven planning framework known as **Whole Community Resilience** - a cross-sector, multi-stakeholder approach that is adaptive over time and creates multiple benefits across the community. The framework aims to not only develop a plan, but also to strengthen local adaptive capacity, which ensures that communities have the skills necessary to implement and update their climate resilience plans over time.

This framework has been tested in Oregon, California, Colorado, Montana and Texas and is now being offered to communities across North America through the Climate Ready Communities program.

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