

The Kresge Foundation has funded a planning effort called Climate Resilience and Urban Opportunities to address climate resilience within Miami's low income communities. Catalyst Miami and its partners are leading this effort to answer the question, "What will it take to ensure that climate-resilience strategies in our region are truly reflective of, and meet the needs and interests of, low-income communities?"

The purpose of this planning effort is to deepen community understanding of climate change impacts forecasted and identify needed policy changes, develop Culture of preparedness in every community starting with the most vulnerable (both climate and economic), and to build climate resilience strategies and models that are strongly tied to economic growth and opportunity and framed around the ideas of MITIGATION, ADAPTATION, and SOCIAL COHESION.

The proposal will suggest strategies specific to Miami-Dade County that will:

- identify and amplify the tapestry of resilience already present in our communities.
- compile data that explains the nature of our climate vulnerability.
- engage members of low-income community members in reviewing and giving input on existing assessments and plans.
- contribute to local, regional and sometimes national public-sector led efforts.
- build a replicable model that will offer multiple community benefits

## **ROLES WITHIN THE PROJECT**

- Advisory Group
- Community Resilience Partners
- Subject Matter experts and Strategists
- Policy
- Data and Evaluation
- Lead Organizations

PROGRAM OUTLINE
Adaptation
Mitigation
Social Cohesion

## SCRIPT FOR COMMUNICATING W/ ADVISORY MEMBERS

The Miami Climate Resilience Collaborative, or Resilient Miami for short, is undertaking an inclusive planning process focused on building resilience within Miami's most vulnerable and underserved communities.

We are committed to a transparent, inclusive process and to strategies that strengthen social cohesion and build economic opportunities. (In this we need everyone's support and feedback.)

The planning process will yield a collaboratively-authored, community-driven implementation plan, resonant of our community's needs and strengths. We aim to ensure the inclusion of multiple perspective and approaches including: public health, economic empowerment and community development, human services, community engagement and dialogue, energy resilience, public policy, and creative/art-based interventions.