

JOIN US TO BUILD A MORE RESILIENT PROVIDENCE

To address the existential threat from rising sea-levels to Providence, leading businesses, organizations and universities in Rhode Island, such as Brown University, Cornish Associates, the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, the Providence Foundation, ProvPort, Rhode Island Sea Grant, University of Rhode Island, and WaterFire Providence, have already pledged resources toward PRP's plan to achieve real, tangible results. Now we need your support.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

Please make your contribution to PRP today by sending a check to the Providence Foundation, *indicating PRP as the recipient of your contribution either in the check memo line or in a separate statement or letter.*

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“**In our society, there are many disagreements about the policies and actions needed to avert disastrous climate change. What’s inarguable is the need to develop a plan to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases, as well as strategies so that Rhode Island is resilient to the changes that are already inevitable.**”

Brown University President Christina H. Paxson



**Providence
Resilience
Partnership**



In a world increasingly threatened by rising seas and more intense storms, Providence can weather this crisis — if we act now.

Join other leading businesses, universities, civic groups and citizens in support of the Providence Resilience Partnership to protect our city's future for all.

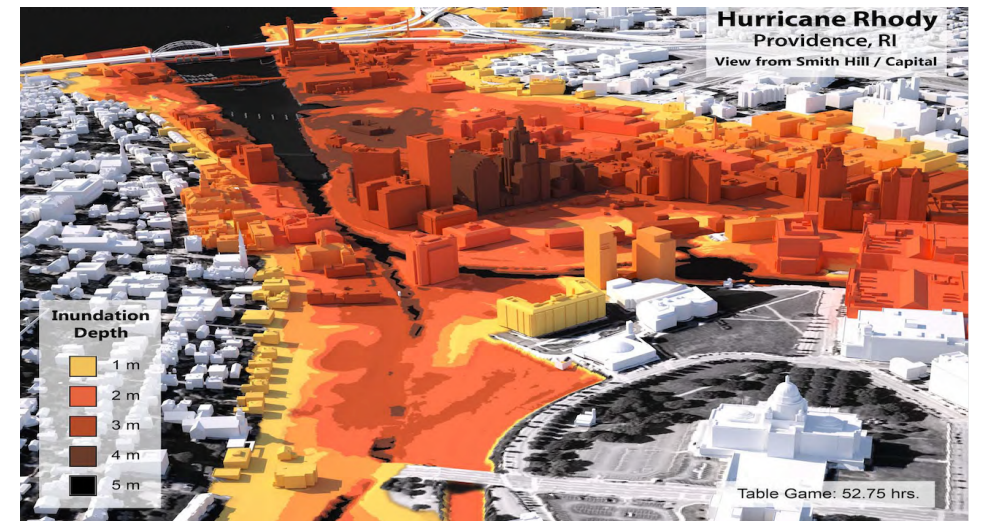


WHY A RESILIENCE PARTNERSHIP?

Providence is long overdue for an extreme storm or hurricane that, in an era of changing climate, threatens to overwhelm our rivers and hurricane barrier and devastate our city. Sea-level rise will increase all our risks.

A catastrophic weather event is only one example of how our city will be impacted by climate change. RISD buildings are already experiencing salt water intrusion, and Waterplace Park is increasingly flooding from higher tides.

We have a heritage of innovative leadership from Roger Williams to moving rivers. Now, we need to come together to design and build a resilient response to climate change.



Impact from modeled hurricane that compromises the hurricane barrier. P. Stempel, Marine Affairs Coastal Resilience Lab, URI, 2017



The time to begin this work is today while we still have time to make changes and build relationships across difference and division.



The Rt. Rev. W. Nicholas Knisely, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of RI



Extreme high tides are increasing in flood height and frequency, over-topping our city's waterfront. (www.mycoast.org)

PRP PLAN OF ACTION

PRP is building a coalition of businesses, universities, civic groups and citizens committed to educating the entire community about the issues and creating and implementing a set of solutions.

- **Convene** stakeholders from the private and public sectors to develop the most effective resiliency strategies for Providence.
- **Collaborate** with municipal and state governments, subject matter experts, and institutions to explore best practices and share knowledge and expertise.
- **Communicate** the need for a resilient future to meet the environmental, social, and economic challenges that climate change will bring.
- **Advocate** with policy makers and thought leaders for the resources necessary to protect Providence's diverse assets.

Resilience:

"The capacity of individuals, institutions, businesses, and natural systems within Rhode Island to survive, adapt, and grow no matter what chronic stresses and weather events they experience."

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