

CLIMATE ACTION IN VERMONT

Resilience



In Vermont, building resilience means being able to recover and bounce back stronger than before from the harmful impacts of climate change—such as flooding, heat waves, and unpredictable weather patterns. We can make changes to our behaviors, systems, and how we live to prepare for a hotter climate.

Benefits of building resilience

Even if we do everything we can to slow down climate change, we will still feel its harmful impacts. Additionally, Vermonters who already face many struggles today are more vulnerable to these impacts.

We can make choices today at the household, community, and state-wide levels that will help our state be more resilient to climate change.

Preparing now for a changing world will...

- save lives.
- reduce risk and damage from future disasters.
- protect businesses and jobs.
- improve quality of life for people, plants, and animals.
- save money.

Levels of resilience

Household

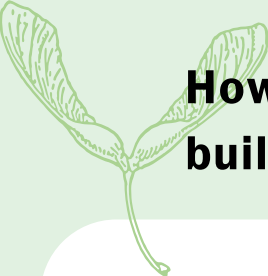


Community

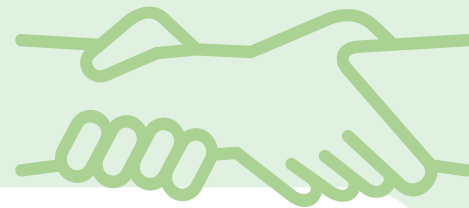


State





How can Vermont prepare for and build resilience to climate change?



Flood Resilient Communities Fund
buys out properties at risk of flooding.
vem.vermont.gov/flood-resilient-communities-fund

Farmer Resilience Grants
improve local farms' long-term resilience.
nofavt.org/grants-funding-opportunities

Urban & Community Forestry Program
helps towns and cities create resilient tree networks.
vtcommunityforestry.org

Current Use Program
gives tax benefits to landowners who keep their forests and farmland undeveloped.
tax.vermont.gov/property/current-use

Climate & Health Program
offers guidance on how to be resilient to hot weather and other health concerns that come with a changing climate.
healthvermont.gov/environment/climate-health

U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit
shows how to identify and address pressing climate-related risks.
toolkit.climate.gov

Climate Resilience Activity Book
helps families understand and talk about climate resilience
bit.ly/climate-resilience-activity-book

Scan to learn more and get involved



Your voice matters!

Vermonters are already feeling the impacts of climate change with shorter winters, hotter summers, droughts, and floods. The Climate Action Plan makes recommendations to lower greenhouse gases and support communities to adapt to climate change. The Climate Action Office wants to know: what State actions addressing climate change are important to you?

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