



RCAP Implementation Workshop

Post-Disaster Redevelopment Planning

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SPEAKERS



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Bill Johnson currently serves as the Director of the Palm Beach County Division of Emergency Management. During his tenure, he has guided the county in its response to several disaster incidents, including Tropical Storm Isaac, Hurricane Matthew, and Hurricane Irma. Bill has led his division staff to become one of only approximately 90 nationally accredited emergency management programs. Prior to joining Palm Beach County, Bill worked as the Assistant Director of the Broward County Emergency Management Division and in the private sector as the Director of the Emergency Management Program for the Florida market for the URS Corporation. Before that, he served as the Assistant Director for the Miami-Dade County Office of Emergency Management for nearly 11 years. Bill has been deployed to several major disasters including to New York City's Emergency Operations Center to assist with incident command after September 11, 2001. Before his emergency management career, Bill worked in Miami-Dade County's trauma agency, served as a flight nurse-medical, and worked as the director of a level II trauma center. He is a registered nurse, certified paramedic, and certified emergency manager.

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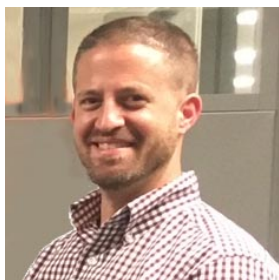
Cathie Perkins currently serves as the Planning Bureau Manager at the Miami-Dade Office of Emergency Management, where she is responsible for the Local Mitigation Strategy, planning for protective measures, damage assessment, debris management, and reviewing all plans for the office. Cathie has 25 years of disaster experience. Starting after Hurricane Andrew, she worked in the hardest-hit areas of the county and was officially introduced to Miami-Dade Emergency Management when she was assigned to work on a sheltering program for the community’s most vulnerable populations. Cathie continued her work in emergency management and disaster response, working as a firefighter/paramedic and as the Program Director for URS Corporation.



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David Martin currently serves as President of Terra, an award-winning Miami-based real estate development firm focused on creating visionary projects that bring dynamic energy to their environments. In this role, David carefully chooses projects that will have a positive impact on their surroundings and, by extension, on the people who live there. Since co-founding Terra, David has led the company’s operations, sales, and marketing initiatives, in addition to overseeing all investment and development projects. This holistic approach to regeneration has allowed him to bring some of the world’s leading architects and designers to South Florida. David’s strong commitment to South Florida is underscored by the company’s active role in charitable, civic, arts, and cultural organizations. With an interest in education, the arts, and health foundations, David is actively involved in South Florida’s civic and business communities, supporting several organizations with philanthropic contributions, including the Perez Art Museum Miami, Miami Children's Health Foundation, the American Cancer Society, Vizcaya Museums and Gardens, and the Wolfsonian/FIU.



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Herbert Parlato currently serves as the Economic Development Specialist at the Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development. In this capacity, he manages the county’s entrepreneurial development and small business disaster resiliency programs. Herbert also coordinates Broward County’s Emergency Support Function #18 Business and Industry. Previously, Herbert was Director of Economic Development with the Miami-Dade Beacon Council, Executive Director of the Broward County Management and Efficiency Study Committee, and Executive Director of the Economic Development Council of South Miami-Dade, Inc. Herbert holds a master’s degree in Public Administration.



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Sarita Turner currently serves as the Institute for Sustainable Communities’ (ISC) Director of Inclusive Communities. In this role, she oversees ISC’s Partnership for Resilient Communities program and strengthens the equity and inclusion components of ISC’s U.S.-based clean energy, resilience, and sustainability programming. She is also a key advisor to ISC’s leadership on advancing equity and inclusion through all of ISC’s programs, internal systems, and practices. Sarita has deep experience working with community-based organizations, city government, and a broad array of institutional partners to advance equitable solutions to the barriers and challenges facing many communities. Prior to ISC, she worked at PolicyLink to advance data-driven, inclusive community and economic development practices throughout the U.S., and also to advance equity focused policies to improve access to economic opportunity. Before joining PolicyLink, Sarita served as Executive Director of the Minneapolis-based West Broadway Business and Area Coalition, which provides local businesses in the West Broadway Corridor of Minneapolis with technical assistance, business support, and capital improvement resources. Sarita sits on the board of the Grounded Solutions Network, which works to connect local affordable housing organizations with national experts to advance affordable housing solutions.



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Whitney Gray currently serves as the Administrator of the Florida Resilient Coastlines Program in the Florida Coastal Office of the Department of the Environment, where she works to bring sea level rise resilience planning to the forefront of the department’s activity for the long-term benefit of the people and ecosystems of Florida. She first worked on climate change vulnerability assessment and adaptation planning with the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. Previously, Whitney served as Sea Level Rise Coordinator for both the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and Florida Sea Grant, specializing in the effects of sea level rise on coastal ecosystems. She coordinated an internal climate change seminar series, “Florida Adapts,” and served as a subject matter expert on species action plans during the Imperiled Species Management Planning process. Whitney holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Florida, where she studied zoology and systems ecology.

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