BUILDING A MORE Resilient America

Every year, disasters kill hundreds of Americans and displace thousands more. And the financial costs of disasters are staggering.

Our Current Path:

Responding to disasters after they occur takes a devastating human and financial toll.

Federal disaster declarations each year:

From **1950**—**2010** averaged

34

From 1995—2011 averaged

61

From **2012**-



Resilience is the ability to prepare and plan for, absorb, recover from, and more successfully adapt to adverse events. Building resilience starts before disaster strikes.



What Does a Resilient Community Look Like? A RESILIENT COMMUNITY...

- Engages governments, nonprofit and faith-based organizations, businesses, and citizens to identify and manage risks together
- Communicates risks clearly
- Measures resilience and tracks progress
- Exchanges lessons learned with other communities

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