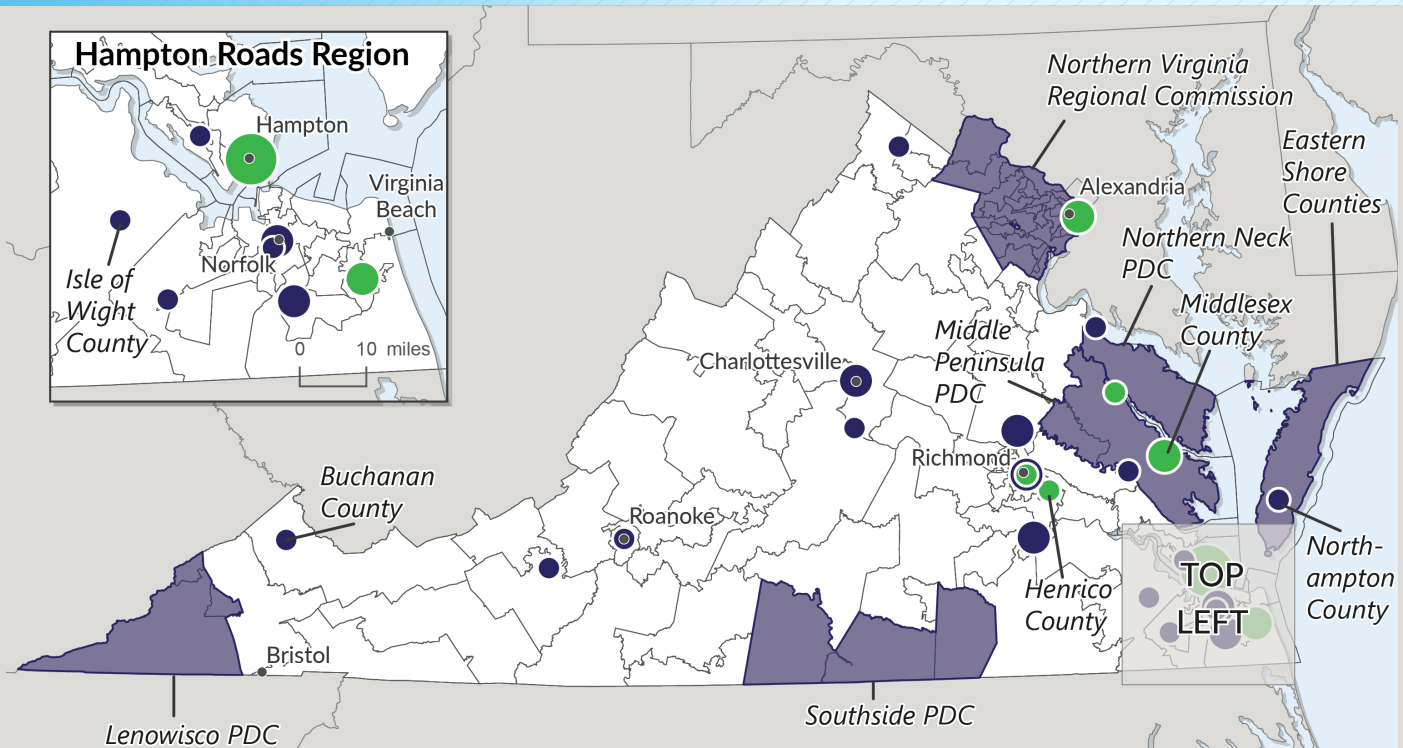


RGGI GRANTS

COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND



In 2020, Virginia passed the Clean Energy and Community Flood Preparedness Act to protect Virginians from growing flood risk from more frequent and intense storms and sea level rise. This allowed the Commonwealth to join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) and established the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF). RGGI is a market-based program of 11 states that generates funds while reducing electricity sector emissions. Half of its proceeds fund low-income energy efficiency programs and 45% fund the CFPF.

The CFPF provides loans and grants for projects, studies, and planning throughout the Commonwealth to identify and address flood vulnerability for communities. CFPF funds can build capacity in localities that otherwise would not have the resources to develop comprehensive flood vulnerability assessments and action-oriented flood mitigation approaches.

CITY OF HAMPTON: DOWNTOWN

With 124 miles of navigable waterfront, Hampton, Virginia is defined by its relationship to water. With thriving fishing, boating, tourism, and military industries, Hampton's cultural and physical connection to the Chesapeake Bay, Hampton Roads Harbor, and Back River are critical to the City's wellbeing.



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"The design projects awarded to Hampton for Downtown – the Mill Point Living Shoreline and the Honor Park Resilience Park – will invest in the local community by creating community-scale projects to address the current challenges of local flooding, as well as future conditions exacerbated by climate change."

1 HONOR PARK RESILIENCE

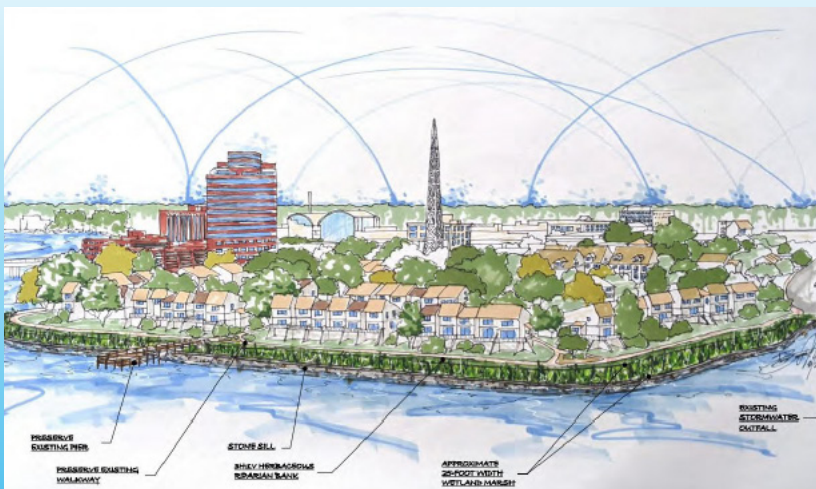
Hampton's Honor Park commemorates and memorializes the sacrifices made by Hampton's police officers, firefighters, and service members. The City will use a \$147,994 CFPF award to make the park a multifunctional public space that can serve as a stormwater retention and redirection site during intense weather events. The proposed park will include constructed wetlands and a grassy amphitheater that is designed to store water during heavy rain events.

2 MILL POINT LIVING SHORELINE

Hampton will use a \$126,498 CFPF award to create 2,100 feet of living shoreline along the Hampton River. The improved Mill Point Living Shoreline will increase water quality in the Hampton River, James River, and Chesapeake Bay, while also serving as a protective barrier from increasingly intense riparian weather events and continued riverbank erosion. This nature-based solution will improve both water quality and flood resiliency for the surrounding community.

3 RESILIENCY PLANS: DOWNTOWN HAMPTON, PHOEBUS, BUCKROE BEACH

Downtown Hampton, Phoebus and Buckroe Beach are three economically, culturally, and historically significant areas of the City. Hampton will use a \$154,635 CFPF award to complete resiliency concept development and designs for the neighborhoods.



HONOR PARK & MILL POINT DESIGNS |

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