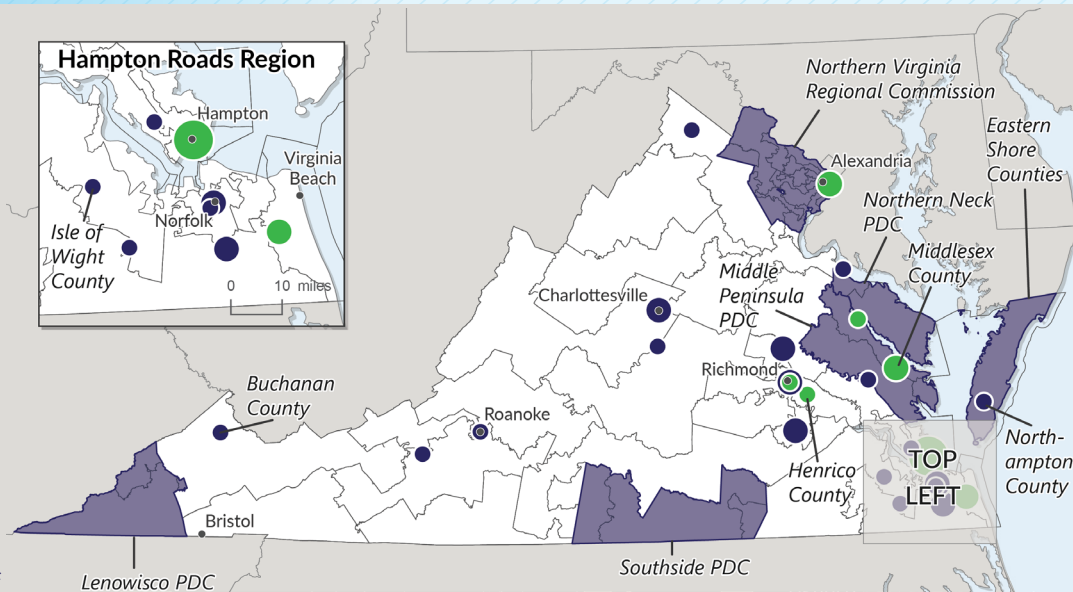


# RGGI GRANTS

## 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.

## MIDDLE PENINSULA: CAPACITY BUILDING

Virginia's Middle Peninsula is one of the country's most vulnerable coastal areas to flooding and rising seas. The Planning District has already begun substantial efforts to plan for the challenge of flood mitigation, but lacks the capacity to apply solutions. With their CFPF award, the Planning District will create new project management tools that bolster their programmatic implementation capacity and develop living shorelines in the region to reduce the impact of storm events, flooding, and continued loss of a living shoreline that prevents sand erosion from wind and tides, while also mitigating the impacts of flooding and wetland loss.



**MIDDLE  
PENINSULA  
PDC**



**\$35,250**



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### WHY IT MATTERS:

"We consider helping both public and private entities manage flooding a critical and essential function of government."



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