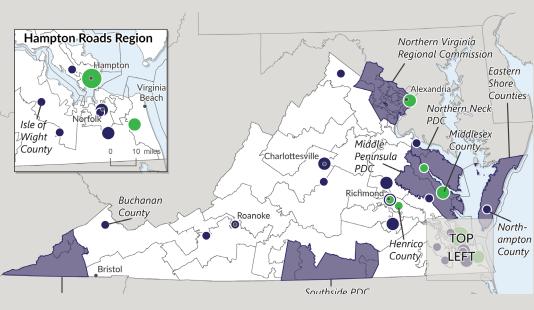
## **COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND**

In 2020, Virginia established the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) to protect Virginians from growing flood risk from more frequent, intense storms and sea level rise. 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.



## **TOWN OF CLINTWOOD: RESILIENCY PLAN**

Clintwood, located at the headwaters of Holly Creek in the heart of coal country, has had issues with flooding in its downtown area since the 1950s. The region's deep valleys and steep ridges, coupled with the small drainage area of Holly Creek, means that rapid runoff and flash flooding are common. The Town will create a Resilience Plan, supplementing the Dickenson County Hazard Mitigation Plan, that identifies activities to reduce the flood risk and impacts of Holly Creek. The Town is also completing a hydrology and hydraulics study to better understand the drainage capacity of the region and provide data necessary to generate preliminary design for future flood mitigation projects.







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## **WHY IT MATTERS**

This CFPF award will allow the Town to "add to the safety of residents not only in the Town, but also in the County, where access to other towns and rural communities is affected when US Route 83 in the downtown is affected by high water and flooding."

