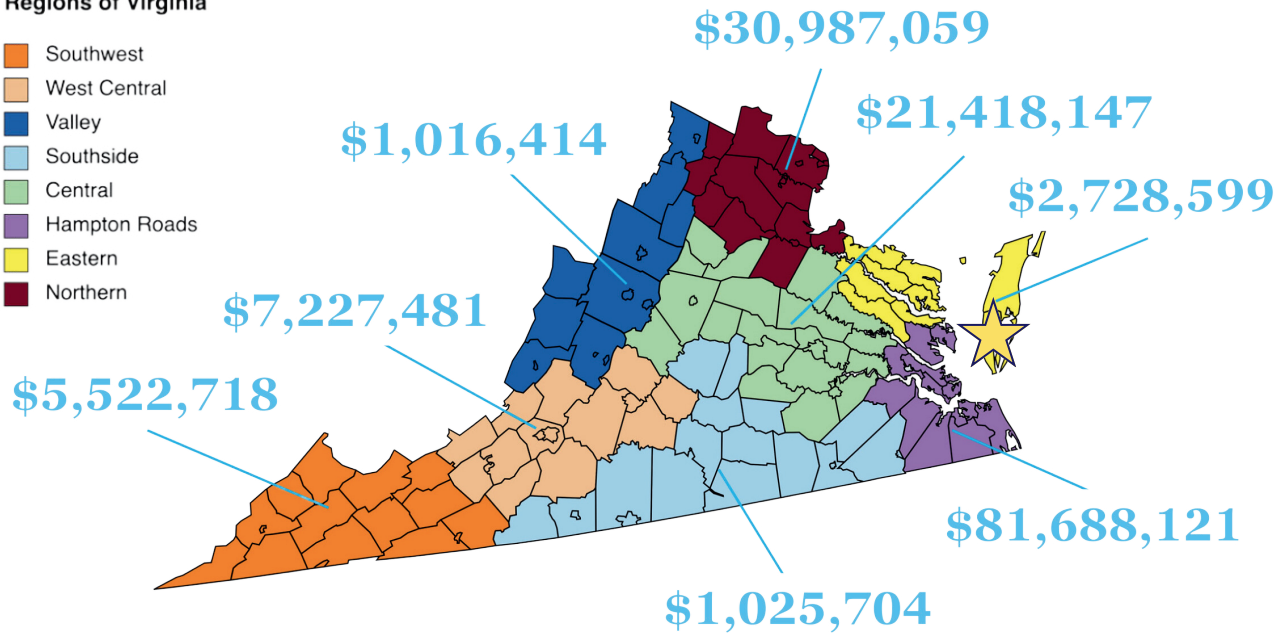


RGGI GRANTS

COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND

Regions of Virginia

- Southwest
- West Central
- Valley
- Southside
- Central
- Hampton Roads
- Eastern
- Northern



Rounds 1-4 (10/05/2021 - 03/20/2024)

Virginia's participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) from 2021-2023 generated \$827.7 million in revenue while also reducing power plant carbon pollution in the state by 22%. Half of RGGI proceeds from quarterly auctions funded low-income energy efficiency programs and 45% funded the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF). Without RGGI, there is no mechanism to maintain long-term revenue for the CFPF.

The CFPF provides grants and loans for projects, studies, and planning throughout the Commonwealth to identify and address flood vulnerability for communities. CFPF funds can build capacity in localities that need additional resources to develop comprehensive flood vulnerability assessments and action-oriented flood mitigation approaches.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY



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672,764
Cumulative Awards



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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Northampton County, bordered by the Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic coast, is a low-lying area vulnerable to flooding. The county's communities will continue to face challenges due to extreme weather events and sea level rise. These CFPF awards will allow the county to implement floodplain management to protect access to roads, preserve natural habitats and maintain the agricultural and ecotourism industries critical to the Eastern Shore.

1 OYSTER CAPACITY BUILDING & RESILIENCE PLANNING

Roanoke has experienced devastating, recurrent flooding which has increased in recent years as rainfall events become more intense. The City will use this CFPF award to hire a consultant to develop a comprehensive Resilience plan to guide future floodplain and stormwater management efforts.

2 STORMWATER & DRAINAGE ASSESSMENT; STAFF TRAINING

Northampton County is a rural area that is highly vulnerable to sea level rise and recurrent flooding, both coastal and inland. In order to increase resilience through mitigation and minimizing flood vulnerabilities, the County will use this CFPF award to hire a full-time Environmental Outreach and Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM), and will conduct an assessment on current stormwater and drainage infrastructure to better understand issues and identify steps for mitigation.

3 ORE BRANCH STREAM & FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION

Northampton County will use this CFPF study award to develop resilience plans for the neighborhoods of Cheapside and Treherneville, two rural unincorporated villages on the Eastern Shore with a mixture of land use and development. The award will also fund an existing Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) to carry out new tasks of developing the resilience plans. The CFM also serves as the County's Environmental Outreach staff person and will lead public engagement efforts on these projects.

WHY IT MATTERS

"Adaptation and Resilience Plans are critical for communities in increasing coastal resilience and protection for the community and its culture, preserving natural habitat, and using nature-based solutions where possible."

- Elaine K.N. Meil, Accomack-Northampton Planning District
Commission Executive Director

