



# Community Resilience Organizations

## What we offer

Tools and frameworks that help communities build local and regional resilience

Low-cost fiscal sponsorship to small, innovative projects

Coalition convening, planning, and facilitation that guides movement strategy

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It has never been more necessary to offer bold visions for a just future amid unfolding political, economic, and climate crises.

**Community Resilience Organizations (CROs)** supports grassroots organizing that repairs harm done by old systems and breathes life into new ones.

## Who we are

CROs is Vermont-based grassroots organizing hub and technical assistance provider.

We engage with systems of power while uplifting liberatory community organizing. Our ability to work inside and outside of these systems lends us unique perspective on how to meet urgent community needs while building towards systemic change. CROs' work evolves in step with the needs of organizers for climate and racial justice.

CROs is co-directed by a multiracial, gender-diverse team. Julissa Vesely (she/her) and Lena Greenberg (they/them) each bring distinct lived experience of oppressive systems and the work that dismantles them.

## What your support can do

Your support of Community Resilience Organizations (CROs) allows us to offer the structure and guidance that organizers and new projects need to respond to the biggest questions of our time—from flood recovery to long-term resilience to equitable land access and sufficient housing.

Unrestricted funding makes it possible for us to continue our work towards a safe, equitable, and resilient future for Vermont. **We cannot do this without you!**

## What we're working on right now

When floodwaters receded in July 2024, grassroots flood responders requested that CROs convene a cohort to gather best practices for disaster preparedness, recovery, and resilience. **As federal and state funds disappear**, it has become more urgent that Vermont communities build their own capacity to keep residents safe and well.

The **Resilience Hub Toolkit** ([resiliencetoolkit.org](http://resiliencetoolkit.org)) provides municipalities and local groups a **comprehensive strategy for building local climate resilience**, including materials and supply lists. In the next year, we'll pilot the Resilience Hub model across the state—the first step towards a network of decentralized, hyper-local efforts that create safety amid climate and other disruption.

*At right: Plainfield residents give feedback on the Resilience Hub Toolkit, July 2025.*



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