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Infrastructure Bank Announces $5.2 Million In Action Grants for Municipal Resilience Projects In 8 Communities Across Rhode Island

We recently announced the awarding of $5.2 million in Municipal Resilience Program action grants to 8 communities across Rhode Island for resilient infrastructure projects designed to mitigate the impacts of extreme flooding and coastal erosion:

1. Burrillville - $750,000 - Oakland Pump Station Resiliency Improvements
2. Cranston - $240,000 - Furnace Hill Brook: Habitat & Flooding Concerns
3. Hopkinton - $461,911 - Strengthening Flood Resilience
4. Johnston - $750,000 - Atwood/Hartford Flood Mitigation - Phase 3
5. Lincoln - $750,000 - Stormwater Infrastructure Improvements
6. Middletown - $750,000 - Green End and Berkeley Culvert Replacement
7. Providence - $750,000 - India Point Park Shoreline Improvements Project
8. South Kingstown - $750,000 - Saugatucket Culvert Improvements

With support from The Nature Conservancy, 38 of Rhode Island's 39 municipalities have now participated in the MRP workshop process to develop prioritized lists of actionable resilience plans and projects.

Funding for these action grants comes from the 2022 voter approved Green Bond, which provided $16 million for municipal resilience projects. A previous round of $12 million in MRP Action Grants was awarded in January 2024.

The Infrastructure Bank, the Department of Environmental Management and a broad coalition of supporters are urging Rhode Islanders to *vote YES on the Question 4 Green Bond* on November's ballot to approve an additional $10 million for resilient infrastructure investments.



October Webinars & Seminars

Emerging Contaminants Webinar - October 8th at 11:00 AM - Learn about low-to-no-cost funding opportunities to address PFAS and other Emerging Contaminants impacting public water systems. Click here to register or RSVP to Suh Walker (SWalker@riib.org, 401-453-4430).

Inflation Reduction Act Technical Assistance Summit - October 10th, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM at the Graduate Hotel, Providence - Join the Partnership for Rhode Island and Compete RI, alongside the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources, Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank, and Climate Jobs Rhode Island, to learn about utilizing the Inflation Reduction Act to unlock federal investments in your community. Click here to register.

Utilizing the Municipal Infrastructure Grant Program & Other RIIB Programs - October 16th at 11:00 AM. Webinar for Rhode Island League of Cities & Town members.

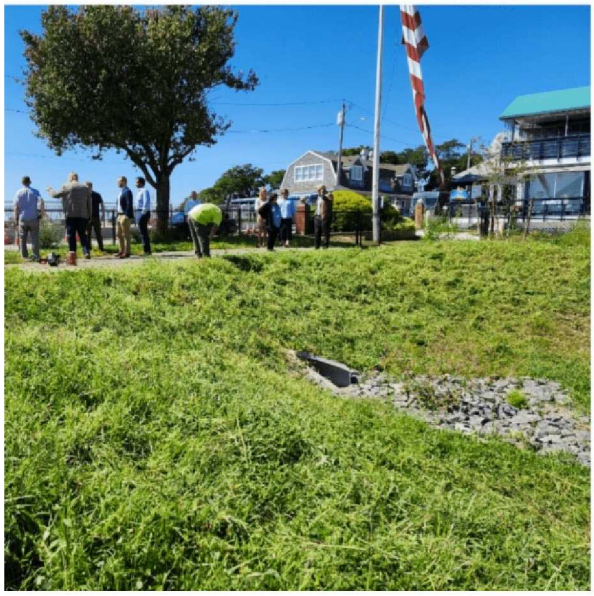
The Future of Resilience Finance Webinar - October 17th from 2:00-3:00 PM - Join the Government Finance Officers Association to learn how tools like municipal bonds and state bond banks are being used to finance resilience efforts, featuring real-world examples from cities like Norfolk and Rhode Island. Our Executive Director William Fazioli will serve as a guest panelist. Click here to register.

Implementing Resilient Infrastructure Solutions At Warwick's Oakland Beach

Last month we joined Warwick officials and The Nature Conservancy Rhode Island to tour beautiful Oakland Beach. Thanks to a previously awarded $225,000 Municipal Resilience Program action grant, the city is installing a bio-retention basin with a mixture of native perennials to treat stormwater and beautify the area, and a coastal buffer to reduce erosion from coastal flooding events while restoring native

pollinator habitat. Nature-based solutions identified through our Municipal Resilience Program workshop process completed by the City of Warwick and hosted in partnership with the Nature Conservancy.







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Infrastructure Bank In The News

Lincoln receives grant for stormwater infrastructure improvements, Valley Breeze

Town officials say a $750,000 grant from the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank will go toward improving stormwater infrastructure near Grandview Avenue, Allan Drive, and Oakwood Avenue . . . According to town officials, this grant was a "huge step forward" in terms of making crucial stormwater improvements.

[Burrillville wins $750K grant for Oakland pump station improvements, Northern Rhode Island News]

The town of Burrillville was one of eight communities to secure a recent Action Grant from the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank, with $750,000 in funding to be used for resiliency improvements at the Oakland Pump Station.

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