

Ms. Angela Davis, C.F.M.  
State NFIP Coordinator/Lead Floodplain Program Planner  
Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation  
600 East Main Street, 4th floor  
Richmond, VA 23219

November X, 2023

Dear Ms. Davis,

On behalf of the City of Alexandria's Ad Hoc Stormwater Utility and Flood Mitigation Advisory Group (Advisory Group), we would like to express our support for their application to the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) Round 4 'Capacity Building and Planning' category to develop a city-wide Flood Resilience Plan.

The new Flood Resilience Plan will include hazard identification, flood mitigation, flood preparedness and response, policies and regulations, funding strategies and communication and information dissemination.

The Flood Resilience Plan will guide the Flood Action Alexandria program which formed in 2021 on the heels of severe storm events causing significant flooding over three separate occasions in a span of only 14-months. This program has made significant progress on several fronts across the community. The development of a comprehensive Flood Resilience Plan is the next logical step.

Established in fall 2021, the Advisory Group is comprised of nine appointed members and a City Council Representative; many of whom have been personally affected by flooding. The Advisory Group will be engaged in the development of the Flood Resilience Plan throughout the entire process and looks forward to providing guidance and input from a community-oriented perspective.

We encourage you to fund the City of Alexandria's Flood Resilience Plan grant application and we are grateful for your continued support of Virginia communities impacted by climate change.

Sincerely,