

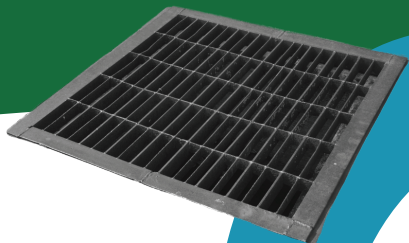
STEPS TO BUILD FLOOD RESILIENCY

UNDERSTAND THE RISK

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 - Evaluate property vulnerabilities
 - Consider past flood patterns
 - Assess your building elevation

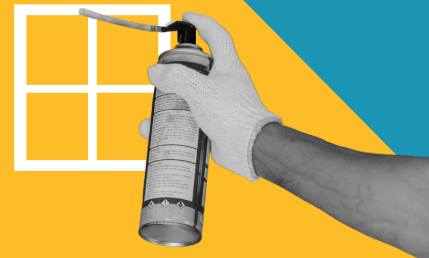
3 IMPROVE DRAINAGE

- Coordinate with City officials to improve the drainage systems in your neighborhood
- Keep track of new developments in the surrounding areas to monitor increases in impervious surfaces that could lead to less absorption and more storm water runoff and flooding
- Ensure that storm water flows downslope away from your home's foundation



2 PREPARE YOUR PROPERTY

- Elevate utilities
- Seal and waterproof foundations/basements/walls
- Install flood vents (small openings that allow water to pass through and reduce structural pressure)
- Consider purchasing flood insurance
- Create an inventory of your property and belongings using photos and videos, etc. to show their condition prior to flood damage



EMERGENCY PREPARATION

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 - Prepare an emergency kit (stockpile food supplies, flashlights, medicines)
 - Make an evacuation plan (map out evacuation routes, designated safe zones)
 - Sign up for alerts (Get local weather and flood warnings in real time)
 - Set aside emergency funds



5 COLLABORATE WITH NEIGHBORS

- Join local groups/form committees
- Advocate for better infrastructure
- Stay informed about local land use and flood resiliency planning



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