

# BUILDING BLOCKS for a RESILIENT CITY

**RESILIENCE** is the ability of communities to withstand and recover from disasters as well as to learn from past disasters to strengthen future response and recovery efforts.

## A RESILIENT COMMUNITY CAN

- 1 determine what it needs to reduce damage and to use its assets or resources wisely. The community is resourceful with what it has, no matter its condition or whether it has a lot of resources.
- 2 not only bounce back quickly, but take the opportunity to strengthen health, environmental, social and economic systems.
- 3 learn from past emergencies so that it can be better prepared for the next response.



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