



Resilience is the ability of communities to withstand physical hazard events, maintain functionality, and adapt to rising risks

Our Shared Mission

Resilience Youth Network is a community of students and young professionals committed to advancing resilience by: 1) Raising awareness of built environment disasters; 2) Promoting action to plan for natural risks; and 3) Facilitating networking across disciplines and sectors. We empower our members to explore emerging solutions and career opportunities in resilience that span all realms important to climate adaptation and hazard mitigation.

How We Distinguish Ourselves

Our community is composed of current students and young professionals involved in engineering, construction, geoscience, floodplain management, insurance, disaster risk management, finance, policymaking, land use planning, law, communications, utilities, and technology.

Our focus is immediate and pointed at tackling the *consequences* of climate change – how to proactively adapt buildings and infrastructure – across all related disciplines. This is distinct from the Climate and Green movements, which aim to mitigate the *causes*.

Our Goals

1. **Recruit** new members (students, young professionals, and distinguished mentors) in multiple fields at prominent academic institutions, corporations, public organizations, non-profits, trade associations, and other professionals in relevant fields
2. **Educate** our members and communities on applying resilience for the built environment across a broad range of professional pursuits and activities
3. **Connect** our members with resilience-oriented experts across multiple fields to collaborate on multi-disciplinary problem resolutions and facilitate networking opportunities
4. **Activate** our network of industry and academic leaders to incorporate resilient best management practices (BMPs) in everything they do and advocate to improve resilience with innovative state and local policies

Pledge

It is time for the next generation to unite behind resilience. As a founding member, I _____, pledge my commitment to advance the mission of the Resilience Youth Network and its Charter.