## **Vem State Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Questions For Towns and Cities**

Please designate one person to share your municipality's responses with VEM by April 28, 2023 using the link: <a href="mailto:tinyurl.com/mr48nt7">tinyurl.com/mr48nt7</a>

- 1. Which individuals or groups within your community would be most harmed by or have the most difficult time recovering from a natural hazard event (such as flooding, ice, wind, heat, wildfire, etc.)? We will refer to these as your "frontline community members."
- 2. How does the Town/City get information about the needs and interests of its frontline community members? Please describe any opportunities for engagement offered specifically for frontline community members that you currently provide, or that you want to provide if resources are available.
- 3. What have you already done to prepare for significant weather events in your community and protect residents from natural hazard impacts?
- 4. What else would you like to do to protect your residents from natural hazard impacts?
- 5. What would you need to make that happen?
- 6. If funding is a need, what are the two biggest barriers to obtaining funding?
  - Limited staff capacity to apply for funding
  - We do not know what grants or other funding are available for projects we want to do
  - Very limited grant programs or other funding available for the type of projects we want to do.
  - Competing priorities at the town/city level.
  - Other

Anything else you would like VEM to know about your town or city's experience with natural hazard preparedness?

Please contact State Hazard Mitigation Planner Caroline Paske (caroline.paske@vermont.gov) with any questions.