

November 2019

RI Census 2020 Update



Here's what's been happening to prepare for the 2020 RI Census:

Organizations are invited to apply for RI Census 2020 Outreach Grants to conduct outreach and education activities that will encourage participation in the 2020 Census: the deadline for the first round of funding is November 25. Activities

should focus specifically on increasing census response rates in communities that have been historically undercounted or are vulnerable to an undercount in 2020. Rhode Island-based nonprofit organizations, municipal governments, public agencies like libraries or schools, houses of worship, and community-based groups are eligible to apply. (The deadline for a second round of funding is January 31). Grant awards will range between \$1,000 - \$25,000. There is an information session for potential applicants on **Thursday, November 7 at 5:30PM** in Providence (for details, please see "Events," below or the [RI Foundation website](#)).

The RI Census 2020 logo is here! The logo is available in a variety of colors and in seven different languages, including Spanish and Portuguese, as part of the RI Complete Count Committee's focused effort to better reach those areas and population groups that are considered "hard to count". To access the logo (and accompanying style guide) for your organization's outreach purposes, please contact Vincent.Flood@doa.ri.gov.

For more information about the RI 2020 Census effort, along with reports and links, visit the RI Division of Statewide Planning's Census webpage: Census2020.ri.gov.

Help Your Town's Small Businesses Be Prepared

Small businesses are the economic engines of RI... and probably for your town, too. Experience shows that forty percent of small businesses affected by disaster never re-open; another twenty-five percent that *do* re-open, fail. The RI Small Business Risk Reduction guides were

developed to help small businesses be better prepared for extreme weather events.

Guides are available for eight types of businesses, including restaurants, retail, manufacturing, construction and lodging. Each guide has a checklist to help identify how vulnerable/prepared businesses are for an extreme weather event and recommended strategies for reducing risk identified as needing lower to higher amounts of money, staff time, and space to implement. There is also a section with information about insurance.

The guides are available for viewing and downloading at the State's "Resilient Rhody" website: www.climatechangeri.gov. For more information, please contact Roberta Groch at Roberta.Groch@doa.ri.gov.

Small Business Risk Reduction to Natural Hazards & Extreme Weather in Rhode Island

A Guide for

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES



Upcoming Meetings

State Planning Council

November 14 at 9AM

DOA Conference Room 2A
One Capitol Hill, Providence

Transportation Advisory Committee

November 21 at 5:30PM

DOA Conference Room 2A
One Capitol Hill, Providence

Technical Committee

December 6 at 9AM

DOA Conference Room 2A
One Capitol Hill, Providence

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Upcoming Events

November 5 Elevating History: A public information session on elevating historic properties. Newport's Historic District Commission is hosting a public information session to review a series of policies and design guidelines for elevating historic properties that are vulnerable to sea level rise and storm surge. Time: 7PM.

- Location: Innovate Newport, 513 Broadway, Newport.

November 7 RI Census 2020 Outreach Grants Information session for potential

applicants. Grants are for increasing census response rates in communities that have been historically undercounted or are vulnerable to an undercount in 2020 (see "Grant Opportunities," below). Time: 5:30PM-7PM. [Registration](#) is requested.

- Location: Nonviolence Institute, 265 Oxford Street, Providence.

November 7 [URI Landscape Architecture Lecture Series](#). Terrence DeWan, Principal, Terry DeWan and Associates, Yarmouth, ME. "DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT: The Landscape Architect's Role in Alternative Energy." Time: 7PM.

- Location: Beupre Chemistry Building, Room 105, 140 Flagg Rd., Kingston.

November 8 [Floodplain Management 101](#) Review, hosted/proctored by RIEMA. Time: 9:30AM-12:30PM. RSVP to joseph.dwyer@ema.ri.gov.

- Location: Warwick Public Library, 600 Sandy Lane.

November 12 & 13 [Public comment forums on Rhode Island's new long-term economic development plan](#):

- **November 12** Time: 5PM-6:30P. Location: Providence Chamber Auditorium, 30 Exchange Terrace, Providence.
- **November 13** Time: 2:30PM-4:30PM (time subject to change slightly). Location: William M. Davies, Jr. Career and Technical High School, 50 Jenckes Hill Road, Lincoln.

November 19 [WTS Luncheon: T.F. Green Airport Master Plan](#) Join WTS-Rhode Island for a presentation on the Master Plan developed by RIAC. Speaker: Dan Porter, Vice President of Planning, RIAC. Time: 12P-1:30P. Cost: \$30 member, \$40 non-member. Please register by 11/12 to wtsrhodeisland@gmail.com.

- Location: Iron Works Tavern, 697 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick.

November 19 [Rhode Island Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Listening Session](#) Time: 2PM. Questions? Please contact Allison.Archambault@dem.ri.gov

- Location: RI Department of Environmental Management, Room 300- 235 Promenade Street, Providence.

November 19 [STORMTOOLS Coastal Environmental Risk Index \(CERI\) Risk and Damage App Demonstration and Training](#). Time: 1PM-4PM.

- Location: URI Coastal Institute Auditorium, 218 S. Ferry Road, Narragansett.

December 5 [URI Landscape Architecture Lecture Series](#) Karen Daubmann, Associate VP Special Exhibits and Public Outreach, NY Botanical Gardens. "PLANTLOVE." Time: 7PM.

- Location: Beupre Chemistry Building- Room 105, 140 Flagg Road, Kingston.

January 9 [APA-RI Post-Holiday and Awards Party](#). Save the date! Time: 6PM-9PM. Location: TBD. More details coming soon.

Grant Opportunities

November 15 [CRMC Habitat Restoration Trust Fund pre-proposal deadline](#) The Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Council is currently seeking pre-proposals for habitat restoration project funding. Priority will be placed on those projects that seek to enhance coastal habitats' resiliency to climate change and sea level rise. Download and fill out a [pre-proposal form](#) and mail to Caitlin Chaffee, Coastal Policy Analyst; RI CRMC, 4808 Tower Hill Road- Suite 116, Wakefield, RI 02879 or send via email in PDF format to cchaffee@crmc.ri.gov.

November 15 [Inspire! Grants for Small Museums deadline.](#) Inspire! is a special initiative designed to help small museums implement projects that address priorities identified in their strategic plans. IMLS invites applications that focus on providing rich learning experiences for individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and circumstances; supporting partnerships aimed at assessing and addressing the needs of their communities; strengthening the role of museums as trusted stewards of the collections in their care; and/or expanding access to collections and associated resources.

November 25 [RI Census 2020 Outreach Grants deadline](#) Rhode Island organizations are invited to apply for grants to conduct outreach and education activities that will encourage participation in the 2020 Census. Activities should focus specifically on increasing census response rates in communities that have been historically undercounted or are vulnerable to an undercount in 2020. Rhode Island-based nonprofit organizations, municipal governments, public agencies like libraries or schools, houses of worship, and community-based groups are eligible to apply. Grant awards will range between \$1,000 and \$25,000 and must be utilized by July 31, 2020 (see above).

November 18 [FTA Transit-Oriented Development \(TOD\) Planning deadline](#) Pilot Program for TOD Planning provides funding to local communities to integrate land use and transportation planning in new fixed guideway and core capacity transit project corridors. As required by statute, any comprehensive planning funded through the pilot program must examine ways to improve economic development and ridership, foster multimodal connectivity and accessibility, improve transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, engage the private sector, identify infrastructure needs, and enable mixed-use development near transit stations.

December 17 [Historic Preservation for Underrepresented Communities deadline.](#) These National Park Service Grants support the survey, inventory, and designation of historic properties that are associated with communities currently underrepresented in the National Register of Historic Places and among National Historic Landmarks. Within one year of the completion of the grant, all projects must result in: the submission of a new nomination to the National Register of Historic Places or National Historic Landmark program OR an amendment to an existing National Register or National Historic Landmark nomination to include underrepresented communities.

December 11 [RIDEM Outdoor Recreation Grant Program](#) deadline. This grant program provides matching funds to cities and towns and recognized Native American tribes for the acquisition, development and renovation of outdoor recreational lands and facilities. Funding categories include Large Recreation Development grants (up to 80% matching funds to a maximum of \$400,000), Small Recreation Development Grants (up to 80% matching funds to a maximum of \$100,000), and Recreation Acquisition grants (up to fifty percent matching funds to a maximum of \$400,000).

Planning Articles of Interest

[Work starts on RISD-designed affordable housing project](#)

[North Kingstown residents frustrated with smell of hemp farm](#)

[Salve dorm appeals could be heard soon](#)

[Affordable housing district nixed for the time being](#)

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