The Chesterfield Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program

The goals of the Chesterfield MVP Program, through two grants, are to

1. Educate us about threats and opportunities arising from climate change.
2. Create events with MVP financial support that educate us about how we can respond with more resilience to extreme weather events.
3. Create a process for us to prioritize our responses to climate change for individual families, the entire town, and the region.
4. Translate priorities into activities that address the highest priorities for all of us.

Why are these MVP goals important?

1. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts identifies climate change as a threat to the entire state, including Chesterfield.
2. The Commonwealth is funding education and planning activities to improve our resilience to threats from climate change for
* families and groups (such as elders)
* the town’s infrastructure (such as buildings and roads)
* the town and region’s ecology including water sources, trees and air quality

What specific activities are being funded by the Commonwealth?

* Evaluation of existing community climate conditions
* Promoting equitable environmental resilience for all groups in town
* Translating high priority activities for equitable responses to climate change into an action plan