

## RESILIENCE

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Greater Miami & The Beaches is a coastal community that is a burgeoning hub for trade, tourism, logistics, health care, life sciences, international banking, finance and creative industries. However, our community also faces a number of shocks and stressors such as hurricanes, aging infrastructure, sea-level rise, sunny day flooding, gridlocked traffic, and serious economic inequalities.

### MISSION

The Resilience Committee looks to engage and impact key governmental and private sector stakeholders to advance solutions and actions protecting our natural resources and supporting the Resilient 305 Strategy – 100 Resilient Cities initiative. The Committee acts on multiple fronts and partners with other Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce committees to address these challenges.

### OBJECTIVES

- Enhance collaboration between business leaders, government, the not-for-profit sector and academia to enable our community to bounce back quicker from the inevitable stressors it faces.
- Support protection and investment in resilient gray, green, and blue built infrastructure, both existing and future.
- Undertake viable ways and promote business opportunities that mitigate the impact of climate change on the future of the region.
- Promote efforts to improve water quality, prevent saltwater intrusion, and protect our fresh water supply.
- Support the restoration of the Biscayne Bay Ecosystem and Coral Reefs.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Participation in the Resilience Committee is open to all chamber members who have interests or concerns in this arena. Committee members include a broad range of professionals including real estate and construction professionals, urban-based businesses, engineering companies, schools, incubators, City and County officials, and non-governmental organizations.

### Leadership

The Resilience Committee is led by a Committee Chair and Vice Chair, who are elected by the Board of Directors for a one-year term. The Committee Chair is responsible for the effective functioning of the Committee and ensuring its goals and activities are aligned with the committee's mission and objectives.

### GOALS 2022-2023

- Hold a minimum of (1) committee meeting per quarter and host two (2) signature events with networking opportunities:
- Resilient Business Opportunity Event- Fall 2022, growing by 10% in attendance and net revenues
  - Advocate & cultivate business opportunities and investments in residential and commercial adaptation solutions to flooding and sea level rise impacts as per Business Case for Resilience for Southeast Florida.
- Resilient Solutions Summit – May 3, 2023, growing by 10% in attendance and net revenues

- Appoint GMCC representative to Miami-Dade County's Biscayne Bay Watershed Management Advisory Board.
- Collaborate with the Governmental Affairs Committee to support and advocate for state and federal resilience legislation, Everglades Restoration, and funding.
- Create a Business Resilience toolkit to provide best practices and help prepare business and not-for profit leaders on disaster preparedness and business resilience.

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