

Community Liaison – Emergency Preparedness | Role Overview

PROJECT INTRODUCTION

The Town of Natick and the City of Framingham have partnered on a project focused on the intersection of climate change and equity. The [Metro West Climate Equity](#) project aims to reduce the social, environmental, and economic vulnerabilities that affect Environmental Justice communities across the three municipalities and to build local resilience to climate change.

In this next round of the project, **project partners hope to create climate readiness communication materials for the communities most vulnerable to climate change.**

COMMUNITY LIAISONS

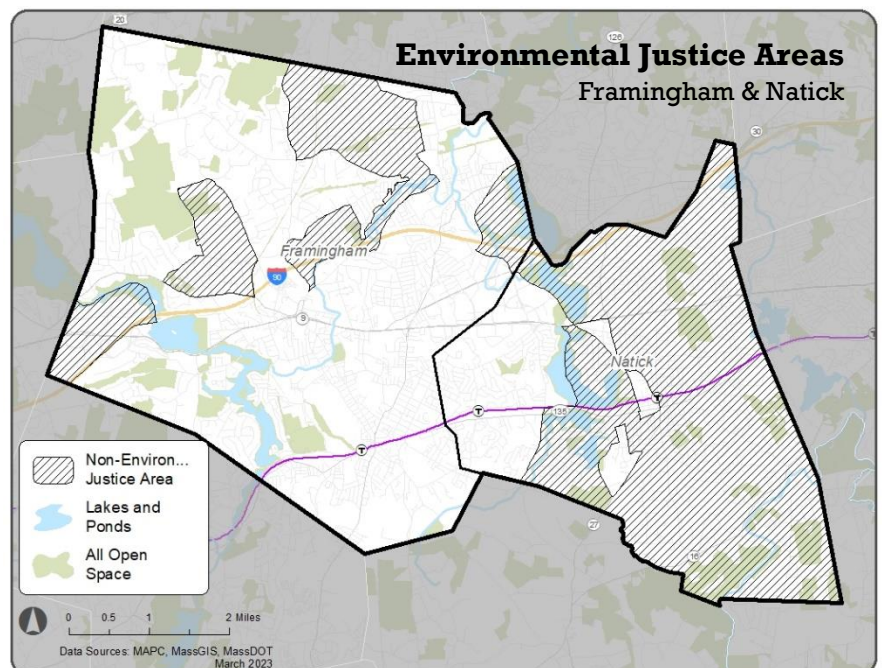
Community Liaisons will work individually and together with the *Metro West Climate Equity* project team to:

1. Advise City/Town project partners on:
 - a. The impact of climate-emergency events
 - b. Resources that could make their community more ready for climate emergency events.
 - c. The City/Town-led responses needed to support their community during climate emergency events
2. Review City/Town-created climate readiness communication materials
3. Identify ways of sharing climate readiness messages with their communities

Eligibility:

Community Liaisons should live, work, or study in Framingham and Natick, be at least 16 years old, comfortable in English, and able to participate for the full length of the project.

Preference given to participants who are comfortable speaking a language other than English and for residents from the EJ neighborhoods (see map).



Activities:

The first phase of this project will run from **April 2023 – July 2023**. We ask that Community Liaisons are able **to commit to 20 hours during this 3-month window**. This includes:

- 3 hours participating in 2 workshops on climate emergencies, climate readiness, and City/Town resources.
- 4 hours co-creating outreach materials and methods
- 5 hours reviewing climate readiness communication materials
- 5 hours conducting community conversations to gather and share information about climate readiness within the community
- 3 hours for one-on-one check ins with project partners

Financial Compensation:

Community Liaisons will receive a \$600 honorarium in recognition of their significant contribution to this project. Stipends will be issued by the Town of Natick.

Skills:

Important to the project to be advanced through trainings and workshops include:

- Knowledge of climate readiness, emergency response, and City/Town resources
- Developing informational materials and resources.
- Connecting with members of the community

You can be a Community Liaison!

As someone living or working in Natick or Framingham, you know a lot about the community; That knowledge is critical to the *Metro West Climate Equity* project.

Contact Claire Hoffman at choffman@mapc.org or 617-933-0772 and let us know you are interested in being a Community Liaison. In your message, please share your:

- Name;
- Age range;
- Town/City and neighborhood in which you live, work, or volunteer; and,
- Any other language skills you have beyond English.

To learn more the *Metro West Climate Equity* project, visit www.mapc.org/metrowest-resilience

