

WATER, EQUITY & RESPONSIBILITY

Understanding Clean Water Access, Water Treatment, and Flood Mitigation in Historically Redlined Municipalities

Course Overview

Municipalities shaped by redlining often experience chronic underinvestment in infrastructure—including water treatment, stormwater systems, and flood mitigation.

This workshop explores the relationship between race, city responsibility, and today's water challenges.

Participants evaluate real case studies and develop policy and community-centered solutions.

- Workshop is offered in 2 hr, 4 hr or 8 hr formats
- Workshop is offered in person
- Pricing based on workshop duration
- Workshop concludes with action steps and applicable deliverables designed by participants

Learning Objectives

By the end of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Explain how historical redlining and racially discriminatory planning practices impact today's municipal water access, quality, and flood risk.
- Identify the components of municipal water infrastructure (treatment, distribution, stormwater systems) and common failure points in marginalized neighborhoods.
- Analyze case studies where lack of investment harmed Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities.
- Apply an equity lens to propose practical municipal policy solutions.
- Collaboratively design a community-centered mitigation strategy for a real-world scenario

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