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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): okay. Now as a good time as any. Hello, everyone. My name is Jackson up here, and I'm a senior associate of public engagement at spur. Thank you so much for joining us for this digital discourse today.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): Many of you here today are spur members. So thank you so much for your support. If you're not a member, I encourage you to join to support spurs ongoing work and using education, policy, analysis, and advocacy to make our cities and region more prosperous, sustainable, and equitable places to live. Your financial support enables us to continue our work, including the hosting of programs like today, you'll find more information about membership online at

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): our next digital discourse is scheduled for July 20 sixth, at 1230 Pm. It is titled a coordinated action to speed up buses in 2,021. The Bay Area Transit Transformation Action Plan, promise, bold action on increasing priority for public transit in our roadways, which has inspired a new focus on the institutional reforms. Funding and leadership needed to deliver faster and more reliable buses.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): Spur will release a policy report detailing specific recommendations to get these projects moving.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): Come, learn about spirit. Both spurs, recommendations, and forthcoming state and retail efforts to get buses out of traffic. and we'd also like to call attention to some of our upcoming signature events happening later this month, and at the end of August, so join us for the spurs, summer, social, and San Jose on July 20 seventh, at Blanco Urban. We're bringing together South Bay urbanists to create a joint vision for the future of downtown San Jose.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): Featured speakers include San Jose, Mayor Matt Mayhan, and San Jose State University, President Cynthia to Nante Matson take a sales close by the end of week. So visit spur, org slash summer social to register.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): and then in August join us on the 20 ninth for the live stream of ideas in Action, with a keynote addressed by New York Times. Bestselling Author Heather Mcgee, and a Conversation with Spur, President Ce CEO, Alicia Jean Baptist, moderated by all homes to make a boss, so to register for that free livestream. Go to spur.org slash, I a 2,023 live stream. We'll be dropping links to both of those in the chat momentarily.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): But today, and the reason you all are here we are joined by Anna Maskolson as the leader of the San Antonio County Coad, also known as the community organizations, active in disaster and community resilience, director at thrive alliance. Anna's work is driven by a whole picture perspective of community resilience that converges hazard, mitigation and climate adaptation safe and affordable, housing for all and holistic community health.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): a hazards geographer by training. She spent several years in the nonprofit sector as a hazards researcher and policy analyst working directly with hazard impacted communities. She later worked for Cal Oes in their mitigation planning division, and has most recently worked for the county of San Mateo's office of sustainability, where she managed and supported long term climate, resilience, planning efforts.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): and today's forum will be moderated by Sarah Atkinson. Sarah is spurs, earthquake resilience policy manager. She leads to the organization's work in developing preparedness, response, and recovery policies to protect our region during and after our next major earthquake.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): Sarah has a background in communication partnership, building, research and advocacy, and she received. oh, sorry she received her masters in city and regional planning from Uc. Berkeley. She is passing in about hazard planning and community resilience, the topic of today's webinar.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): And last, but not least, we want this to be an interactive conversation and plan on spending as much time as possible, engaging with you all, so I encourage you to use the chat box to share your thoughts with each other and

the speakers, and encourage you to submit any questions to me. You and you may have by using the Q. A. Panel.

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Jackson Nutt-Beers / SPUR Public Engagement (They/Them): It should appear as a button at the bottom of your screen or at the top of your screen. If you're using the mobile app, and then within the next few days we'll be sharing a copy of the reporting transcript and chat with everybody who is registered. And with that, Sarah, I will turn it over to you to get started.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Great? yeah, thank you so much for that introduction, Jackson, and thanks to everyone who's joining us virtually today, we're here with Anna, Miss Kolta, to discuss community resilience and hazard preparedness efforts in San Mateo County. I'm gonna start us off with a short presentation to share about spurs, work with drive, and in San Mateo County in general.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: and then I'll pass it to Anna to provide some background on her work. and San Mateo County's co-OP.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: So Anna and I started working together, maybe 9 months ago, to advocate for seismic resilience planning in San Mateo County, and I had built a partnership with the lecturer of undergrad of an undergraduate public policy course at Stanford, whose students then

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: conducted a research project on soft story building risk and seismic resilience needs in San Mateo County. And just as a side note. I'll show a picture in a minute. But software buildings are typically buildings with 2 or more stories. that have tuck under parking. And we're built before 1,978

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: After the students completed their report, Anna and I began sharing the research and our own knowledge with local policymakers in order to educate leaders on this hazard, hazard and build issue leadership. We've since met with leaders in Berlin game

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: in the city of San Mateo, East Palo, Alto, Redwood City, and some leaders at the county level. Many have been in support of soft story retrofitting and the development of mandatory retrofit ordinances in order to protect residents of these at risk buildings.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: and yeah, we've gotten a lot of great feedback. And we're really like developing a group that's really interested in kind of moving this forward in San Mateo County.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: I also worked with an on gathering local support for the State's new multi-family

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: soft story size and retrofit program which the State funded at 15 million dollars this year. The program will provide grants to property owners to conduct soft, sorry seismic retrofits which will ultimately ultimately protect their tenants during our next major earthquake.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: And this is really important for creating an environment that allows soft story ordinances to develop in different cities as financing these programs and these types of retrofits can be really difficult, and the state funding will benefit that a lot

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: I also wanted to shout out in which is another partner of ours in San Mateo County that we've been doing work on

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: compounding risk, especially around sea level rise and groundwater rise, and a plug we will be speaking with Newstra casa and Pathways Climate Institute at the California Adaptation Forum on August first. So if you're going to calf definitely, come, see our presentation.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: So this map is is from the student, the Stanford students and their policy report, and I wanted to show it, because this has been kind of how we have directed some of our advocacy efforts. This map shows where soft story buildings are likely concentrated in San

Mateo County. So you can see There's some high concentrations in North County and then burling game and San Mateo potentially have high concentrations of soft story

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: as well as Redwood City. And so, like I mentioned, that's kind of where we have been focusing our efforts, and those are the leaders that we have been talking to mostly.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: This is the image of a soft story building kind of what they generally look like in San Mateo County. This can look different in different cities. So San Francisco has

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: slightly different looking, soft story buildings, or a different variety of types of soft story buildings. But this is this is what you're usually looking for.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: And then why is this important to community disaster, resilience? There's a lot of different reasons why this is important. I'm just gonna really quickly breeze through The reasons why we care about this issue and why we want to see some effort or some some movement on this in San Mateo County. So doing, seismic retrofitting protects residents from injury or potential death. These buildings do often collapse and have been seen to collapse in in major earthquakes. And so we want to make sure that doesn't happen.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: protecting these buildings also protects naturally occurring affordable housing. These are older buildings that usually have provide lower rents. So lower income tenants can live in these buildings, and so by keeping these buildings after an earthquake, we're maintaining that affordable housing.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: and similarly, this makes it so that there's less disruption and displacement after a major earthquake. If we can maintain these buildings in these units, then people don't have to leave. And obviously, that's something that we're really fighting for. We don't want people to be displaced.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: this also allows a city and region to reduce the disaster recovery time. So businesses are able to go back more quickly. jobs are maintained, social services are better

maintained because people are staying in their homes, they can go to their jobs. so it's all you know. It's all a system and size with retrofitting of these buildings is part of that system.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: And then, finally, I wanted to mention the climate impact of disasters. there's increased greenhouse gas emissions from waste. if these buildings did collapse, and you have to, you know.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: replace them with new construction. That also adds its own carbon footprint. So That was just a quick overview. And now I want to pass it off to Anna to describe more about her work.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Thank you, Sarah, and thank you, Jackson. Me just a moment to share my screen.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: All right. So I am animus sculptor, director of community resilience. At 5. Alliance of nonprofits. I lead the coalition of community organizations active in disaster, just a little bit about thrive before I begin. we are a network of 200 plus nonprofit organizations, government agencies, philanthropy, businesses, and other types of community leaders in San Mateo County.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: with a shared commitment to strengthening the nonprofit sector ability and the nonprofit sectors capacity. because we understand that the nonprofit sectors health really impacts our broader community health. So we focus on nonprofit capacity building and various ways. We have quite a few programs that initiatives under that banner policy and advocacy. And then community resilience, which is my program. And this is what I'll be talking about today.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So I'm going to give a brief background of where we are in San Mateo County. we have plenty of hazard exposure here, as does the entire Bay area. But I I'm zooming in on San Mateo County for the purpose of this presentation. we have plenty of natural hazard exposure. Earthquake is a great concern of ours. As Sarah just mentioned, we we not only have an enormous amount of exposure, but we do not have a a building stock that is likely to withstand some of the worst earthquake scenarios

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that we would expect to happen here. we have quite a high likelihood of a magnitude 7.0 or higher happening over the next 30 years. The map that you see here on the right is actually just shaking potential from any type of fault. But that does give you an an a snapshot of just how exposed we are to various fault lines in this county.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: liquefaction is also a a really big concern, especially along the bay shore. The more shaking we have in in combination with sea level rise, the more we're going to have very unstable ground for all of the development along the be shore. And that's another really big concern. we're exposed to all types of flooding, coastal, alluvial, pelubial we are. We also have dam

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: inundation zones. I live in a dam inundation zone and and so various types of flooding different triggers and different exposure zones that aren't always put into one map. So sometimes there is an issue of people not realizing that they live in a flood zone because they don't see it on a fema map which might not map gluvial, flooding right? Or they might

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Really, at this point it is hard to to map exact flood zones with with a rapidly changing climate. wildfire, port, air quality which usually go hand in hand, landslide and erosion, especially along our coast extreme temperatures. This is a really big concern for us right now, as we're in July, and and having seen these bouts of of high heat waves, especially last year around Labor Day, we we do get concerned about health impacts of high heat events as well as

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: cold, extreme cold, especially for those who are on house tsunami, and then social hazards is an important one to think about here. I think traditionally, co-ads have focused a little bit more on natural hazard

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: response. But increasingly, we do have to realize that we have plenty of social hazards to respond to the Half Moon Base shootings earlier in the year, or an example of this. again, poverty, a kind of everyday disasters are things that nonprofits really do deal with on a day to day basis. And and we need to start thinking about that collectively as well in the same vein that we think about other types of hazards and shock events.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And just to orient to us on on what we're looking at here. The bottom left is a photo of the Ccu fires and 22. And this middle photo here is of the south coast. I think that's pestero actually during the January storms. pester always interesting because

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: they they are. Usually they have traditionally been flooded by a creek, but a creek that feeds into the ocean. And so there there is a lot of impact of sea level rise on their flooding patterns here and that, combined with polyvial flooding, is a really big big issue for them down there. So that's a very clearly a a disaster, and and one that is likely to repeat itself without appropriate medication.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Now, on the other side of this, beyond hazard exposure, we have quite vulnerable social systems in San Mateo County. Traditionally, in our kind of technical practitioner lexicon, we say vulnerable populations. And I like to take a step back and talk about vulnerable systems more specifically, and the systems that make people vulnerable to natural hazards. We try to move away from this, thinking that vulnerability is something innate to an individual.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and more that a system is making the individual vulnerable because of the way that it's designed.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So vulnerable. Social systems facilitate poor outcomes for people before a disaster even happens right if we can kind of look at this bullet list here. These, again are everyday disasters for people. So these are facilitating daily poor outcomes for our community members when we have a shock event that comes in

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: like a flood or a wildfire, or an active violence. This exacerbates really the burden that the person is experiencing, and exacerbates their vulnerability with it. So we're we're really talking about this whole before, during and after poor outcomes across the continuum when we have a social system that isn't working for certain parts of our community. So excuse me

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to run down the list here a lot of what a lot of the phenomenon that we're looking at when we're identifying vulnerability in our communities, poverty, discrimination, and marginalization exclusion and non accommodation of people who don't speak the dominant language, exclusion and isolation of people with disabilities.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: lack of integration and services for undocumented folks, and social isolation and lack of mobility for older adults. And this is not an exhaustive list. But this is typically Some of the strongest forms of vulnerability creation that we see in in disastrous reduction land. now, I have a map here. on the side here. This is from the healthy places index

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to give a snapshot of where we tend to find concentrations, higher concentrations of social vulnerability in our county. but I'd like to point out that that while this captures some of that census data is so imperfect, not only does it tend to under count minorities, but it's aggregated right? And so the more that our county

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builds wealth for certain parts of the population. The more our median income rises in each census tract.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: in a way many times erasing the presence of people who are really struggling, whose incomes have not seen the increase of their neighbors. And so sometimes it is hard to pinpoint vulnerability on a map like this, and a very good example of this is, if you look down at our south coast near Pescadero. This is one census tract

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for almost the entire south coast.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Not only do we have quite wealthy folks living in this region that tend to bump up our median income, and and and they're very visible, I would say.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: on on a on a census. We also have our farm worker population living here, where, if you kind of if you start to disaggregate a little bit of that data and look at brackets of income you will see people making between 10 and \$20,000 on an annual basis. So this is why we tend to try to look at vulnerability with a little bit more nuance in our county.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and not realize so much on on tools like this, which are useful as a starting point, but not the end all. So

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think I made a case. I hope I made a case for the need of the nonprofit sector to be active and disaster risk reduction. We not only have quite a bit of hazard exposure here, but we have very vulnerable social systems.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: so this brings me to to my work. in in the co-ad, which is stands for community organizations, active in disaster. much like thrive. This is a network. It's a coalition. But with the the mission of reducing disaster risk

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: for our community members through enhanced communication and collaboration. So in the past, what we would see and we continue to see to up to. And it's such an extent as people working in their silos during emergencies and saying, All right, I I think there was an impact here. Maybe I'll send food over there.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: But it turns out someone else was sending food over to the exact same spot because people weren't communicating with each other. That's really the textbook example of why co-eds are important. But this, the the need really plays out in a lot of different ways. So one, of course, is avoidance of duplicative efforts. We don't want to be doing the same thing in the same place. We need to talk to each other.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: another really great benefit of the co-ad is the shared resources and services that we have. we can. We can source what a service, a material, any type of resource information, even from the network during a disaster. To make sure everyone has what they need, and can best serve the community that they serve. and one of the most important things that we do, which was very

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think, a big benefit during the storm was, it was being able to work with community based organizations on the ground that have very direct relationships with community members, especially the most underserved community members, to be able to listen to what their needs were and push those up through the network. So then, we can begin to communicate that to the county or to cities, or to whoever it may be. because, unfortunately, what the information that comes into an emergency operation center that is usually something that is very visible or something that

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: has been called into dispatch. A lot of communities don't call 911 when they need help. A lot of communities look inwards and try to help themselves. for various reasons, but but without community based organizations and congregations. Sometimes counties won't know about the problems happening on the ground.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So just a little snapshot of what we do on a day to day basis. We hold monthly meetings with our network. typically, we'll have a specific issue that we're talking about that day. whether it be a a natural hazard or or a particular process related to responsive recovery.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: we send out communications on a monthly basis about relevant trainings, funding opportunities news in the community. and then we. We have also started giving training. So we began a relation, a partnership with Sf card based in San Francisco, last year to to offer a suite of kind of co-ad, 101 trainings

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to our organizations. We open it up to nonprofits, congregations and government, and we got all of those folks in the room, especially for the in person once.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And so they they. The purpose is to pull. It's obviously there's a training aspect there. But there's also a relationship building aspect where you are meeting new people that you might not have had the contact information for before. And you know there, there's a common say in that it, you know it's not a really great time to exchange business cards during a disaster. I buttered that. But that's essentially the you know, the purposes build your relationship

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: before an emergency occurs. So this is a lot of what we're trying to do.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We do quite a bit of research and advocacy now. And Sarah gave a great overview of one of those initiatives another one that I'll speak to in a bit is a secure year space initiative. We've been running with nonprofits of child care providers, and we do a bit of outreach and education increasingly directly to the community, even though

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: we in the past have been more organizational level. we are now going to community preparedness fairs getting a little bit more visibility there.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So I'm gonna give a brief overview of some of what we did during the January storms. we had, you know, our response, and then our recovery, and we very much are still in the recovery mode During the storms themselves. We did quite a bit of bilingual and later multilingual safety messaging the counties. Smc, alert. It's our emergency alert system.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: typically English, Spanish.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: a lot of the county newsletters going out. We're only English. So a lot of what we did was take core messages, break them down to non technical, very direct language where it was appropriate, and translate them into up to 5 languages

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and then get those. Get those messages out through cbo partners through congregation, so that they were reaching the right people in the community. We coordinated quite a bit with 2, 1, one not sure how much San Francisco uses 2, 1 one, but it might be your 3, 1 one and they were a really big partner in relaying storm information to community members telling them about sandbag distribution sites. We did lots of needs communications. Pushing needs upwards. through the eoc particularly related to sandbag access.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and then a bit of volunteer coordination as well for shelters and send back distribution sites. In the recovery period our work changed quite a bit. We were still doing quite a bit of multilingual outreach related to fema application and appeals for the

individual assistance program. this was this ended up being quite a bit of our work, because there were so many folks who

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: had storm related losses

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: that they had no recourse, for most people did not have flood insurance. Most people did not live in an area that required them to get flood insurance. And this brings me back to the complexity of flood mapping

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So as a result. Their only recourse really was

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: going to Fema individual assistance, and dealing with this like a bit of a monstrosity of bureaucracy, and needing sometimes some support through that this, particularly when English was not their primary language. So we did a bit of training support on that, and through an external partnership with Svp. And we're doing it, and a follow up with that which I'll I'll plug at the end.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We did a nonprofit damage survey to get an early count of

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: where we had experienced structural damage, to be able to push that up through the Eoc and to report that to Calores and Fema, and we sent nonprofits to our disaster recovery center to make the space

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: feel a little bit more accessible. Feel a little bit more familiar, because, frankly, I don't know if anyone has ever been to the Semitale County Event Center. They're like really big, open, cold spaces, a lot of people in uniforms in this case, and we We thought a nonprofit presence would not only extend access to the services that the nonprofits were offering, but also make it feel a little bit more comforting.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So I will talk for just a moment on our secure Space Initiative. We got a materials, grant from the earthquake country alliance to install furniture, straps, cabinet brackets, file cabinet straps, all all the good stuff to secure nonprofit and child care provider spaces.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We are very concerned here with the ability of nonprofits to continue to operate after a disaster after an earthquake, and if people are busy trying to clean up the pieces of their office. They can't. They can't get back to functioning and providing services to the community as as quickly.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And this also brings me back to, you know, which I don't think I flex sufficiently of our trainings, which include continuity of operations planning for nonprofits. So that's very important to us. So we've been working with some volunteers, including Team Rubicon and some some community volunteers to do installation at nonprofit spaces and childcare spaces. and we are hoping eventually to scale this project a little bit more.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I just wanted to plug how you get involved here. So we have our monthly meetings the last Wednesdays of the month, 10 to 1130. Leave this month. It's the 26. everyone is welcome, and this month we will be talking about high heat protocols for our county again, both at the county city level, but also we are exploring how certs can become more involved in

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: community well, checks during high heat events. So if you're interested in that, you're welcome. I will put a link in the chat after I stop sharing.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and when more training that we are developing with Svp, who is our partner, our training partner directly after the storms earlier this year, is a disaster recovery workshop. This is aimed at San Francisco County, but really anyone, any county who either was declared for individual assistance

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: in the past, or it might be declared for individual assistance in the future. And frankly, that's all of us. We can expect, Federally declared disasters in the Bay Area where

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: ever. So this is a really great set of knowledge to have about Fema's systems and about the recovery process before a disaster happens. I cannot tell you how many people came up to me after the last training we did, and said, Shoot! I wish I had known this 6 weeks ago I would have been able to tell my clients that this is how the fema application process works.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: so this is great knowledge to just have, even if you're not a currently Federally declared Disaster County. And you know we're crossing our fingers that that will happen again this year. But this is This is a good toolkit to have for everyone, so I will make sure the link to this is available as well, and this is in person in Redwood City might be a little bark or some of the San Francisco folks. But you're welcome.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And with that I think I'm gonna end there. So here's my email. And I will also put that in the chat.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Wonderful. Thank you so much, Anna, that was a great presentation, and thank you for all the work that you have done, and setting up this co-ad and getting getting all of that great like programming and stuff going I wanted to. So we're gonna move into Q. A. And I wanted to invite the audience to ask some questions in the Q. A. Box. I'm gonna ask some questions first, and then I'll go through some of the audience questions to ask Anna.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: And yeah, I think. And I'm I'm particularly interested in you know.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: What is this co-ad model? Where did it come from? I've heard that there's some other co-ads in the region. Could you give us a little bit more background on that.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Yeah. The coed model is actually quite old. I think it's been around for like at least half a century.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: But the the presence of them in the Bay Area. To be honest, I don't know. Like the exact timeline of this in San Mateo County, we presently have 3 coads. There's one that is county wide, which is us there. And then there are local coads. One is on the coast. So coside emergency response program keep. And then there's a South County coad that serves the East Palo alto area.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and we all have different scopes. I would say we do know each other, and we talk to each other. But Prior to this the county didn't have. We did not have a county wide coad for 10 plus years. thrive. Actually, what thrive has been around for around 20 years.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And we actually had the last co-ad in the county which disbanded or kind of lost resources after the San Bruno pipeline explosion.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And we were approached

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: a couple of years ago to relive it. And so that's where we are now, but the co-ed model has been around for a long time, and frankly, nonprofits have always played a huge role in disaster, response and recovery. But it wasn't coordinated until the co-ed model came along. And so it's now you will find them everywhere in California, especially in in Northern California, where.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: you know, Wildfire season is, you know, devastating almost every year. And and how? How is the co-ad funded? How? How do you do your work? Where does your funding come from.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We have private funding right now. So I'm a I'm a grant funded position.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and we are hoping to.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: okay, I I think. distribute the

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: kind of the the financial responsibility for operating something like this, which I think is very crucial to the way that government agencies operate

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: as we. We really are a a connection point to communities. so we're hoping in the future that there is more of a balance between private and public funding to to support co-ad activities of the network itself.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Okay, okay, so privately funded right? Now, hoping, hoping for more public funding for this type of work.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Yes, we hope? Yeah.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah. So I, you know. Obviously, as you mentioned, climate change is going to to make these hazards more frequent. more intense.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: How do you foresee your role or the co-ads role changing? you know, with these changes in the climate.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Yeah, I

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think that we've been a bit under prepared for some of these shock events. We've had the past couple of years, I would say. Labor day heat waves, cu fires. Certainly the January storms, the New Year's, even January storms.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I sense that a lot of the lessons that we've learned we've learned them more observationally. We might know them intellectually, but they haven't necessarily been incorporated meaningfully into the way that we design and codify our built environments, or the way that we plan our response and evacuation or the way that we plan for recovery.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And so I see our role really shifting to some extent into an advocacy role and kind of a perpetual advocacy role

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to hold to hold governments really, who really are the decision makers in terms of the official protocols for mitigation response, recovery to hold them accountable to lessons learned.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think this is really true for heat right now, where a lot of a lot of folks on the Peninsula don't have air conditioning. It was never needed potentially. But now that we're seeing our heat index rise to the to the extent that it does in these.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: in these little waves. and the impact that that can have on

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: on certain he heat sensitive bodies. it's concerning, I think, that a lot of our planning doesn't have the nuance to response to that and to respond to different populations in different ways.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And it may be because it people didn't think it was a problem before. But now it's becoming a problem. And now we have a wildfire season, and it's in a poor air quality season that we need to be planning for, and we need to be mitigating, for I don't think that

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: our current processes collectively are consistent with the urgency of the situation. And so I see us. I see it's playing a very strong advocate role.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think the other thing that has changed is there is no period of rest between emergency. We we have the January storms which you know. That's really that's a set of weeks you're in response. And then you're in recovery mode as government agencies, 6 to 9 months, and then community members that have been hit. The hardest are in recovery mode potentially for years.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: But what happens is

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: you know, suddenly, we're in July, and it's like, Oh, it's high heat season, and it's wildfire season. And then suddenly, you're getting into the winter again. And we're in a lineal conditions. And are we gonna have more flats like last year? There's there's so much overlap in our disaster cycle. Now, because we're we are very predictively getting hit every year with different types of hazards. And what I'll say to this is

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to get us off the hamster wheel. Mitigation is so so key mitigation is where you intervene so that you can reduce the impact of the hazard on your communities. And you don't have that long recovery period you don't have as an intense of a response period, either, and it reduces it reduces the likelihood that you'll even have to respond to the next event.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Right? If we can just get our communities to to to more collectively, prepare and mitigate for the next event.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah. And I, I think that brings up for me like the way that for example, we have mapped and thought about different like flood hazards, there's like sea level rise maps. Now there's groundwater rise maps. There's kind of like winter flooding maps, and there's been

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: not as much of that like, how do? How did these all overlap with each other? What does that mean for a community? Because, you know, the community is not experiencing these things separately? They're experiencing them as one, you know, as flooding. so yeah, it. I think that idea of

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah, the compounding thinking about things, not as not separately, I think more and more cities are like breaking down the the barriers of like, you know, jurisdiction over maybe certain hazards or certain parts of like this emergency response planning to and it sounds like the co-ad is really helping like.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: create some of that change.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We we hope to. Yeah, I will say at the end of the day. I think there's been a lot of focus on the technical side of what? What is the flood? Where is it coming from? What type. And from a community member standpoint, I absolutely don't care if I'm underwater, whether it was coastal or pollution like the point is that it's here, and that's where you know the public education. That's where we can be supportive in public education. but we do need that support from

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: again, from from counties and cities that are that are funding the studies here.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: and what has been the most challenging part of leading the co-ad

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Coalition building. So you know, thrive was in a very and isn't a very good spot to

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: to build out this network because we already had it. But what has been challenging is convincing organizations to spend their time on something that is.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: that that is outside of the words in their mission statement.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So most nonprofits work in some form of vulnerability reduction. Whether or not they they consider it that way. but very, I would say, if a smaller slice very explicitly, do climate resilience or emergency preparedness.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I it has been my job to say, Hey.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: you operate in San Mateo County. We have, you know, go back to slide 2. There's a lot of hazards here. and we're gonna get to the point that we're gonna be in some level of emergency every year.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and if you want to operate here, and then you want to continue to serve your community here, you need to have a continuity of operations plan. You need to have an emergency response plan. You need to be educating your staff about what they do. How how do they take care of their families before they can go back to work. So that your organization can function. That's not optional anymore.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: It's not an add on, it's it's a really fundamental to operating a nonprofit or any type of business in San Mateo County or anywhere in the Bay area, frankly. And so that that has been tough, because I I come at this with a lot of sympathy. Being a nonprofit staff member myself, we're very under capacity. Nonprofits are constantly

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: dealing with lack of being under staffed lack of funding and to add that on is very difficult for them. So it may be that we need to carry it at some point to get people to get nonprofits a little bit more involved. But at the same time we need to remind them, this is part of your job.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Whether or not your mission statement, you know, revolves around harm, harm, reduction, or children and families or older adults. Emergency preparedness and risk reduction is absolutely part of your job if you if you live and operate here.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Yeah, yeah, it's hard. I mean, yeah, trying to find the time to do all of these different things. But then trying to also make the case that like, it's just gonna make life harder. If you don't take some time to plan ahead.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: which is which is true for nonprofits, which is true for individuals. Individual households, too. yeah, how do you? you know you mentioned like

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: these, these different social hazards in San Mateo County as well, and I find that in

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: trying to advocate for seismic resilience it kind of becomes like

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: the. You know, the last thing that people are thinking about, because there's so many other issues. There's the climate issues. There's housing and homelessness, you know. There's there's lots of these different things that feel like they come ahead of it. How do you think about that? In like?

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: I don't know when you're talking to organizations or I'll I'll add into this question, if it's okay. Someone mentioned

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: heather asked, how are the co-eds coordinating around housing and homelessness crisis. How are they tackling this chronic, these chronic issues with crisis response. So I don't know if you have any thoughts about that.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: We are in the midst of developing committees that are issue specific, and one will revolve around housing and homelessness.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: that is something that is, Again, we we're trying to get people to spend their time on this. We want the subject matter experts to be coming in here and leading that it's part of the decentralization of the co-ed. So that's something that is in process right now, and that we we hope to be really launching early next year.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And then, Sara, was your question really about how about prioritization?

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And and yeah, that's difficult at the end of the day, like all of these issues, are extremely important. And I I don't think it has to be completely 0 sum here. I think we can. We really are a well resourced county, and we do have an enormous amount of nonprofits here to be able to do the work that needs to be done.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think it's about collaboration and a and not doing the same thing, not not duplicating efforts, so that we can maximize the that the power of the sector of the of of multiple sectors here.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: because I I really don't. I don't. I don't like that mentality that like, oh, flooding is more important. So we're not gonna do earthquakes. So you don't know what's gonna happen next? None of us do. So. I think the the best we can do is is move the needle forward on all issues. The best we can.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Yeah, yeah, agreed. And I think figuring out where the like Co benefits are in all of these things is really helpful in in having that conversation, too.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: I I'm gonna ask one more question. Then I'm gonna go more to the audience. Questions. my question is, can you tell us a little bit more about how your work integrates with, like the city and county level, disaster, planning and response and everything. And maybe if you have any examples from the winter storms, too.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Yeah. So we we coordinate primarily with the county department of Emergency management and we've enjoyed a very close partnership with them, which is not always true with co-ads and other counties. So we're we're very lucky in that respect. we also coordinate closely with our fire protection districts, at least the majority of them throughout the county.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and and communicate a lot on what's going on. Share ideas We have been folded into some of the planning processes for for the county, and

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: that I think that's been a

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: a really great advancement for us. in terms of what we do versus what the county does the co-ed really is about unmet needs. So it's it's really one half identifying and communicating.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: And

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: the best way possible to the county what is not being done, and what needs to be done, and figuring out how to source that. In the meantime I think this a a good example of this right now is looking at our high heat protocol in Semito County, realizing that it's not serving older adults and people with disabilities, living alone.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: because the thresholds are just way too high at the point that the county activates cooling centers. And on top of that there's no transportation for people to and from typically

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: the same would. frankly, we'll go for with the cities

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and communicating the need, but meanwhile trying to organize a you know, a side initiative here to work with certs and see what can we do in the meantime, this season is this season, if possible, to to be doing well checks on people and to be saying, Are you okay in your home? Do you need anything? Making sure that there's some level of intervention before people get sick or worst case scenario die, which people do in in high heat events.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: so that's kind of where we try to complement what the county is doing? But simultaneously playing an advocate role and saying, We're we're trying to meet the unmet need here. But

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: here is where we can, we can rethink the system so that there is no unmanned need. So it is kind of a little dance in that in that way.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Yeah, I I'm what you just said about like checking in on people. That reminds me. San Francisco has the neighborhood emergency network. I think that's sf, neen And they, you know, have a similar functioning where they are trying to do like very

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: small scale, like neighborhood level.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: similar to what you're doing kind of coordinating nonprofits and services in a neighborhood area. making sure neighbor knows like.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: you know, who are elderly residents that need checked it. You need need check-ins during especially high heat events. And I think there's also maybe a chance there to understand.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: I know during Covid, when there was some of the heat waves in like Portland and Seattle and up north that there were these cooling centers. But people didn't want to go to the cooling centers because it was in the middle of Covid. And we're scared about being in a place with other people. And so.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: like, you know, another compounding emergency. Where, like the way that we've thought about it in the past doesn't work. And so what's like the other opportunity, maybe there's like a way to provide fans or Acs to people. And

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: you know, I I think there's we. We haven't figured out like the innovative ways to provide people with what they need in these emergency moments. so it's great to hear that. Yeah, you all are like there and thinking about this and trying to figure that out.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: and I will say we we've talked with neighborhood empowerment now, Eric, and we're, you know, we are looking at their model and seeing how how that fits with our existing groups here. We don't want to reinvent the wheel, obviously, and we're not going to copy something and paste it exactly. But that's a model that we've seen work in San Francisco, and we want something similar in Samuel County where we do have. We do have community based organizations that are trying to build out.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: You know, block action teams. And we have cert groups. They're there. They need the structure and system to mobilize. And so you know?

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Right? okay, some questions from our audience. Members.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: this is interesting regarding risk prevention financing. Are there initiatives by thrive? Or do you know, maybe of other initiatives, or have maybe all add in, have you thought about the issue of insurance, and especially as insurance insurers are, you know, leaving because of these disasters and compounding risks. Has has there been any conversations about insurance?

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: There are? There have been lots of conversations about flood insurance since January. We actually have a few community based organizations, based in East Palo Alto, that are brainstorming alternative models to to flood insurance

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: even with the subsidies that the National Foot Insurance program offers most of the lower income residents that are along the Bay shore. So we're like East Palo Alto is is really where these particular groups are concerned, still cannot pay those premiums. yet they are extremely exposed.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: a lot of the capital improvement projects that plan to protect them a little bit better won't be ready for years. And So they're stuck in a really tough situation as

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: There, I don't have a clear answer on where that's going in. But they are talking with a private

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: company.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: about a partnership for some level of risk reduction via an alternative insurance scheme. It sounds very big when I say it like that. It it the those conversations are are under development, at least at that hyper local level. But this is a this is a lesson learn from the storms. Is that so many people didn't have flood insurance, and it turns out they need it.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: but are they able to pay premiums? Some people are, and many people aren't So we really do need to rethink. the flood insurance model in particular, thrive doesn't itself currently have

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: any initiative or research in that area. But but there are certainly other nonprofits that are leading that.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Okay?

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah. I think I think that's such like, I mean, maybe not like a new issue, but something that is really coming up a lot right now. So it makes sense that yeah, things are definitely still in development of how to respond to that.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: okay, Katherine asked.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: what do you think about food systems in red disaster, resilience, and maybe also, how is thrive thinking about or or working with groups to you know, manage food supply.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: That's an excellent question. So far our our contacts and during the storms were so second harvest as well as one of our core service agencies here does a lot of hot meals, Hotmail distributions? those those organizations to this point have been our biggest food related.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: kind of network partners. But I think there is an opportunity to look at food systems more holistically.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: thinking about, how? How do you build very hyper local resilience, especially when we're talking about a really big event like an earthquake where supply chains are just going to be cut. that's where I think models like the neighborhood empowerment network, like sort, like very neighborhood oriented led initiatives are going to have the most impact on people's ability to access food in the aftermath of a of a big event like an earthquake.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: so I think

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: where we would go with this is, do our best to empower those neighborhood networks to do the work. So at some point, I think a top down approach there doesn't work. There can certainly be programmatic support. there can be technical assistance. But

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: when we're thinking about the catastrophe

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: where you know your your ability to survive and and be able to be well in those first 72 h that's gonna come from your neighbors. That's gonna come from your, you know, the 9 blocks around you. So that's where we really need to think about food security and availability. Yeah, I'll I'll just make a plug on that note to that. I know there's efforts at the regional level around

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: like lifeline coordination, especially around food supply. And so thinking about, how do? How are trucks going to get into, you know, to the grocery stores when there's like

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: roads that are blocked. And you know what are the the transportation networks for food. And so there's there's definitely efforts to think about like, how is food going to get to the region. How are we gonna make sure that that's not, you know. an a compounding challenge in the midst of a of a disaster.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah. Let's see, is there Pamela asked. About

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: short term, like people who maybe aren't from San Mateo County who don't live there passing through. And when there is a disaster kind of how you're thinking about their lack of knowledge and their impact on local local infrastructure. I don't know if that's something that, like your co-a had has thought about, but just getting knowledge out to people that maybe aren't

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: No residents, I guess.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: I think that's that's a great question. And something we need to think about. Because

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: there will be very little ability to for us to communicate with them unless they reach out first. And by us I mean more emergency response. Collectively. you know, we have a

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: we have emergency alerting systems that I think in general, you have to subscribe for.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: There are search and messaging systems that will just send something to your phone. If you're in the geographic region. I'm not sure how those would be operationalized and in what disaster?

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: So Those folks

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: are a concern, and my answer is, I have to think more about how what we do. But we do as a co-ad for those individuals.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: yeah, well, we are getting to the end of our time. I guess I wanted to give you another chance.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Think I'll say first, thanks everyone for joining us today. If you want to learn more about the coad you can contact Anna, if that's okay, Anna, And if you are interested in getting involved with Anna and I's work around

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: seismic resilience and soft story policies. and maybe bringing that to your jurisdiction, feel free to contact one of us. And we can definitely talk you through kind of what we've been working on, and maybe support you in that work.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: and yeah, Anna, do you have any like final thoughts that you want to share with everyone about these topics, or anything that you know you wanted to kind of round out the conversation with.

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: Well, I'm just dropping a few links in the chat. I have my email and the at the monthly meetings that we're gonna be holding. I know a lot of the folks on this call are probably San Francisco base, but I think I completely in support of Cross county collaboration, and it's been an absolute pleasure working with Sarah on this earthquake policy. Advocacy? disasters, obviously aren't going to follow any jurisdictional boundary. So I I do appreciate this. this kind of cross

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Ana Miscolta / Thrive Alliance: You all are still welcome at our at our co-ed meetings, regardless of whether you live or work in San Mateo County.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: Yeah, definitely like cross county collaboration Super important, you know. If a disaster you like an earthquake, it happens it's not going to be centered in San Mateo County. You're not going to be the only county that is affected by it, and so figuring out what are the systems that we can

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: create now to provide for support for each other when that kind of disaster emergency happens. I think there's, you know, there's there's big benefits from having this be really localized, and also a lot of benefits from having more collaboration across the region. So yeah.

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: thank you so much, Anna, it was really great to talk with you. Thank you for your great presentation again. Thank you for all the great work you do. I also wanted to thank Jackson and Sherry our public programming team for setting up all the

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: logistics of this event. And yeah, continue to get involved with spur. We have lots of these events, and there's lots of other 2 opportunities to get involved with advocacy. like with me or with Anna, so

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Sarah Atkinson / SPUR: definitely reach out and we'll continue the conversation.