

# Southeast & Caribbean Disaster Resilience Partnership

## 2024 IMPACT REPORT

### SCDRP MISSION

Serve as a trusted regional network to build professional skills, facilitate knowledge-exchange, advance equitable climate adaptation approaches, promote strategies for accelerating natural disaster recovery, and facilitate strong and diverse partnerships across professional sectors.

### 2024 NEW INITIATIVES

1. The **2024-2027 SCDRP Strategic Plan** went into effect with a new vision, mission, core values, and 3-year strategic objectives.
2. The new **SCDRP Mentorship Program** launched in the fall as the only mentorship program that supports emerging resilience leaders specifically in the U.S. Southeast and Caribbean region.
3. **New online resources** were added to the SCDRP website: **Job Board, Funding Opportunities, Events Calendar, and Regional Resources.**



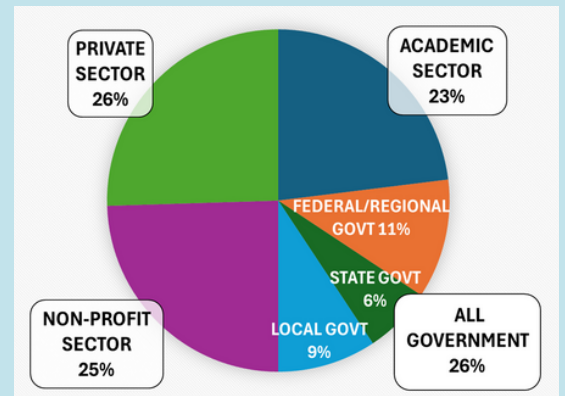
### 2024 IMPACT SNAPSHOT

**45**  
Dues-Paying Memberships Added

**226**  
Current Members

**610**  
Current Newsletter Subscribers


**258**  
Number of Regional Resources, Funding Opportunities, and Jobs Posted on SCDRP's Web Pages



2024 Member Profile

### A MESSAGE FROM SCDRP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thank you for your steadfast commitment to collaboratively building resilience within the U.S. Southeast and Caribbean. Membership continues to grow each month along with connections and networking potential. We implemented a new tiered membership model, new fundraising strategies, and a "Partner Picks Summer Speaker Series." As an organization, we continue to mature as demonstrated in 2024 by new SCDRP Policies & Procedures, second Advisory Board Election, first Officer Election, first Advisory Board Summit, and our first major grant proposal with 33 collaborators from 8 institutions. We are building our online regional resource repository and adding features to our weekly newsletters. In 2025, I am excited to work collectively to expand our new Mentorship Program, potentially embark on internship and fellowship programs, and continue to feature cutting-edge speakers each month, and expand services to our Partners. I can't wait to come together this year to plan our big 10th Anniversary Annual Meeting 2026!

With gratitude,  
  
Heather P. McCarthy



2024 Partnership Growth Per Month



# COORDINATING IN 2024

Events, webinars, and convenings to facilitate knowledge-sharing

- 127** Attendees at the SCDRP 8th Annual Meeting in Savannah, GA
- 12** Monthly Partnership Meetings featuring Super Speakers
- 17** Unique organizations represented by Partnership speakers from private, non-profit, academic, and public (including Federal, state, and territory government) sectors
- 74%** Percent of survey respondents\* who said that SCDRP Monthly Partnership Meetings benefited their work in 2024 by giving them opportunities to learn about case studies from different areas.

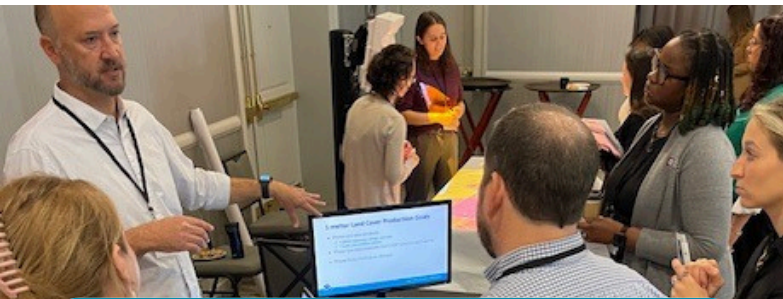
*"For me, [the most valuable product/service that SCDRP provides] has been the networking and learning opportunities provided by our monthly virtual meetings and annual in-person meetings. The partnership meetings have allowed me to learn about resources in the region while the annual meetings allow me to build relationships with people, inevitably helping improve my work in the region."*

SCDRP 2024 Impact Survey Respondent

# 2024 IMPACTS

*"The [Mentorship] program has been excellent so far, and I am getting a lot of wonderful resources, insights, and connections. My mentor is outstanding, and I very much appreciate the startup meetings and wonderful tips and resources SCDRP staff has shared along the way to make the process smooth, engaging, and impactful."*

Stephanie Kelly  
Earth Matters  
Planning & Design



# COMMUNICATING IN 2024

Important news, information, and opportunities

- 45** Newsletters sent out with a reach of 600+ people
- 81%** Percent of survey respondents\* who said that they found SCDRP newsletters useful to their work in 2024.
- Unique Visitors to the SCDRP Website (up 67% from last year!) 3,863**
- 295** New Followers on LinkedIn
- 84%** Percent of survey respondents\* who said that SCDRP newsletters, website, and/or social media posts benefitted their work in 2024 by communicating info about ongoing work in other areas.

# CONNECTING IN 2024

Practitioners with resources, funding potential, and networking opportunities

- 23** Participants in Cohort #1 of the SCDRP Mentorship Program
- 9** Survey respondents\* collaborated on a project or proposal with a person/organization that they connected with through SCDRP.
- 68%** Percent of survey respondents\* who said that they established or renewed a professional connection through SCDRP that led to sharing of information or resources.
- 68%** Percent of survey respondents\* said that they established or renewed a professional connection through SCDRP that led to connections to other professionals.



\*SCDRP 2024 Impact Survey conducted with SCDRP Members and Observers