

# SUNDERLAND

## MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY PREPAREDNESS (MVP) PLAN

### Summary of Findings from the Community Resilience Building Workshop

#### Massachusetts' MVP Program

**Build Resilience and Preparedness** to more frequent and intense weather events; Improve pre-event planning, response & recovery, and long-term actions.

A prepared and resilient town will be able to maintain functions, protect its residents and emerge stronger and better prepared for future storm events and a changing climate.

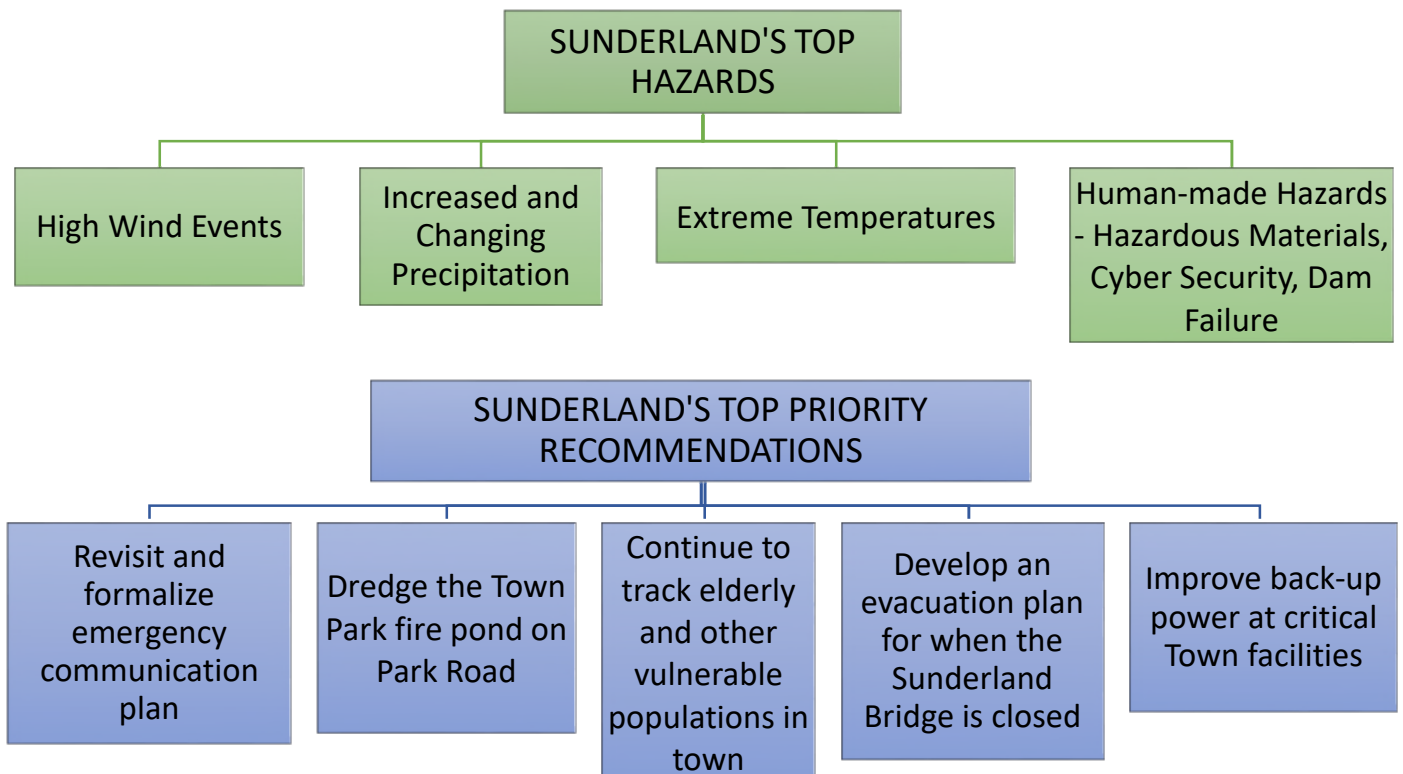
#### MVP Planning & Designation Process:

- Community Resilience Building Workshop
- Action Plan and Summary Report
- Listening Session

Once designated, communities can apply for MVP Action Grants to implement high priority actions.

The Town of Sunderland is working towards becoming an MVP Community through the State's Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program. A Community Resilience Building Workshop was held in October, 2019 at the Sunderland Elementary School, to identify Sunderland's top hazards, vulnerabilities, and strengths related to climate change, and to develop action items to achieve greater resiliency.

Results of the workshop are summarized below, and in the draft MVP Resiliency Plan, which can be viewed on the Sunderland town website at <https://www.townofsunderland.us/>



**NEXT STEPS:** A Virtual Public Listening Session is scheduled for Monday, August 10, at 7:15 p.m. as part of the Selectboard Meeting, to present the summary and gather public comments. A public comment period is open until August 31. Please go to <https://www.townofsunderland.us/> for meeting details or to provide comments.