

Resilience Strategy



About this strategy

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This is the **resilience strategy** for the City of Sydney.



A **resilience strategy** is a plan for how we want to make the City of Sydney strong.

We will say the **strategy** for short.



This strategy is for 5 years from 2023 to 2028.



Some information in this strategy might make you feel sad.



You can talk to someone you trust about how you feel.

City of Sydney and resilience



To write this strategy we had to find out what could help build **resilience** in the City of Sydney.



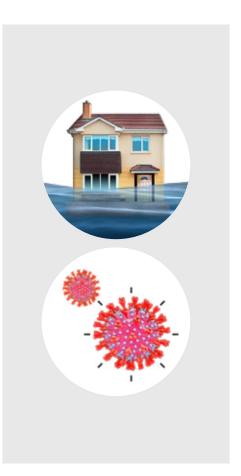
Resilience is when we have things that help us be strong.



Resilience can help us feel strong when difficult things happen.



In this strategy we call the difficult things **shocks** and **stresses**.



Shocks are difficult things that can happen very fast like

• Floods

• COVID-19.



Stresses are difficult things that happen over a long time like

• Not enough houses for everyone

• When buses and trains do not come often enough.



It is the job of City of Sydney to support people when shocks and stresses happen.



The City of Sydney must also help people build resilience for shocks and stresses.



Some groups of people need more support to build resilience. These are groups like

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

People who do not have a home

People with disability

 People from other countries that do not speak a lot of English

- People with a lot of health issues
- People with **mental health** issues.

Mental health means the way we feel and think.

What people said about resilience



We wanted to find out what people think are the most important areas for resilience.



To find out we talked to lots of different people in the City of Sydney.



People said there were 5 important areas.



We will talk about each of the areas next.

1. Everyone can take part in the community



We want to have a community that everyone can take part in.



We want things to be fair for everyone.



We want it to be easy for people to meet others in the community.



We want to work with different people and groups in the community to make this happen.



We want to make sure everyone can be part of our strategy to build more resilience.

The big issues with this area



We found out that things are very hard for people that do not have much money.



There should be more and better housing that everyone can pay for.



Some people do not always have money to buy food.



Many people feel lonely.



Many people find it hard now that everything is on computers and the internet.



Many people do not

• Know how to use a computer or the internet

• Have a computer.

What we will do



We will work to make housing better.



We want to have more housing that

• Is safe

• People can pay for

• Works well for many different people.



We will keep checking with the community about what we can do better.



We will make sure everyone can get the food they need.



We will support people in the community to get to know each other better.



This will help people be there for each other when something bad happens.

2. Dealing with climate change



We want to make sure our city can deal with **climate change**.



Climate change is when the weather changes and becomes more dangerous.



This might be things like

• Floods

• Very hot weather

Storms

• Bushfires.



We want to understand what bad and dangerous weather can mean for our city.

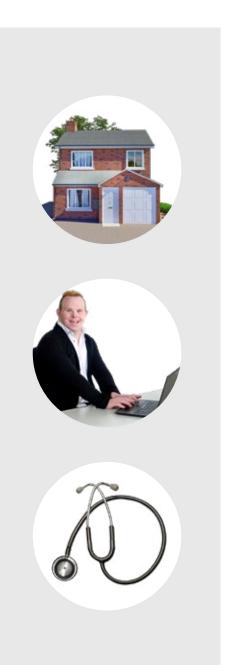


We want to make sure our city is ready for when dangerous weather happens.

The big issues with this area



Climate change can make things very hard for people and our city.



It can make it hard for things like

Housing

• Jobs

• Health.

What we will do



We will support everyone to be ok when it gets very hot.



We will make plans for when there are more floods and the sea gets higher.



We want to get better at how we

• Understand what can happen with climate change

• Deal with it when it happens.

3. Places and buildings



We want to make sure that our places and buildings will be strong for a long time.



The buildings should still be ok for the community to use after shocks and stresses.



We also want to make things better like

- Roads and transport
- Water drains
- The way we use computers and mobile phones
- Power we use for things like lights.

The issues with this area



We find that it is not always easy to look after

- Buildings
- Parks
- Roads.



Sometimes our computers might not work well when something bad happens.



That means many things in the community do not work then like trains or traffic lights.



There are not enough places for the rubbish from City of Sydney to go to.



There are many different ways that things work together in the City of Sydney.



This means it can take a lot of work to change the way things happen.

What will do



We will look after the things that we own like

• Buildings

• Parks.



Sometimes we run out of space for all the rubbish and waste to go to.



We will work with the Government and other councils to have more space for our waste.

4. A good economy



We want to have a good **economy** so that there is money to do things for everyone.



Economy means how businesses and services sell and buy things.



We will do things to help the economy and the community be strong.

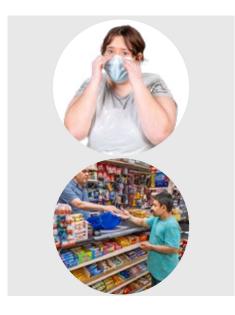


We will make sure lots of different people can

Take part

• Try new jobs.

Issues with this area

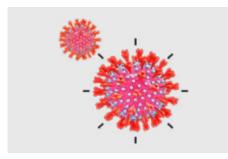


When COVID-19 happened it made things very hard for

- People in the City of Sydney
- Businesses like shops.



It was hard to get the things we need like food.



Things are still not like they were before COVID-19 like some people are still working from home.



We now know it takes a long time for things to get better after big shocks like COVID-19.

What we will do



We will help businesses and people to be ok when there are big shocks like COVID-19.



When we find information about changes to the economy we will share it.



We will support lots of different businesses to give jobs to lots of different people.



This will help us get lots of good ideas on how to be strong.

5. Getting the community ready



We want to make sure people in the City of Sydney are ready for when bad things happen.



Places in the community need to be ready to support people after bad things happened.

Issues with this area



We found that people who live in the City of Sydney do not feel ready for bad things.



We need to make the way we share information better when bad things happen.

What we will do



We will make plans to get ready for when bad things happen.



We will make sure we help the people in our community who need more support.



We will have more places for people who need support to go to when bad things happen.



We will support businesses to be stronger.



We will also support businesses to help the people who live in the community.



We want to make the way we give people information in emergencies better.



We want to make sure everyone can understand the information.

How we make sure we do the things in the strategy



There are some things we need to do to make sure the strategy happens.



All staff at the City of Sydney need to work together well.



We also need to work together well with

Other government places

- Businesses
- People who live in the City of Sydney area.



We need to make sure there is enough money for the things we plan.

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