

STRENGTHENING THE CLIMATE RESILIENCE OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



Funded by Accessibility Standards Canada, Strengthening the Climate Resilience of People with Disabilities is a three-year project (April 2025 to March 2028) that is led by the [Social Research and Demonstration Corporation \(SRDC\)](#) in partnership with the [Canadian Red Cross \(CRC\)](#) and [Eviance](#).

The project uses a case study approach that focuses on collaborating with local disability and emergency management communities to better understand:

- The varied and intersectional capacities and needs of people with disabilities related to climate-related emergencies; and
- How service providers involved in emergency management, including federally regulated organizations, can support these needs through the programs and services they provide.

Why This Work Matters

The project findings will inform the development of accessibility standards in emergency management, helping to better support the diverse needs of people with disabilities.

Our Values

Our community-based participatory research approach will focus on collaboration, co-creation, and community capacity building. It will be mindful of the intersectionality of lived experiences, as well as social determinants of health and health inequality.

Project partners will ensure that the disability rights principle “*Nothing About Us Without Us*” is incorporated in all aspects of the project, positioning people with disabilities as experts on their own experiences related to climate-related emergencies.



Case Studies

The project will involve three case studies, with the first case study site located in Winnipeg, MB.

Each case study will involve:

1. Background research and interviews with key experts to develop an understanding of the case study community context related to climate change, emergency management, and disability.
2. Engaging, interviewing, and validating findings with a diverse group of people with disabilities, disability organizations, emergency management professionals, and federally regulated organizations.

Advisory Committee

The project team is guided by an Advisory Committee made up of local, provincial, and federal disability and emergency response representatives to ensure the findings are relevant to different program and policy contexts.

Contact Us

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