

Libraries Helping their Communities Respond to Extreme Weather and Foster Socially and Ecologically Conscious Culture NNLM Social Determinants of Environmental Health Series 2024

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### **How We Got Started**

### History of the Blue Marble Librarians



What motivates you to support the social determinants of environmental health?



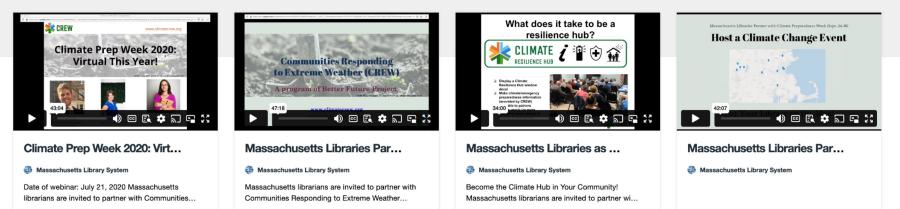
Mission

A network of Massachusetts library workers committed to climate change resilience and community building.

### **Climate Resilience Series for Libraries**



This webinar series highlights opportunities for libraries in Massachusetts to partner on Climate Preparedness Week and serve as Climate Resilience Hubs.



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#### Blue Marble Library Guide: Climate Prep Week

Massachusetts Libraries Collaborate on Climate Preparedness and Sustainability

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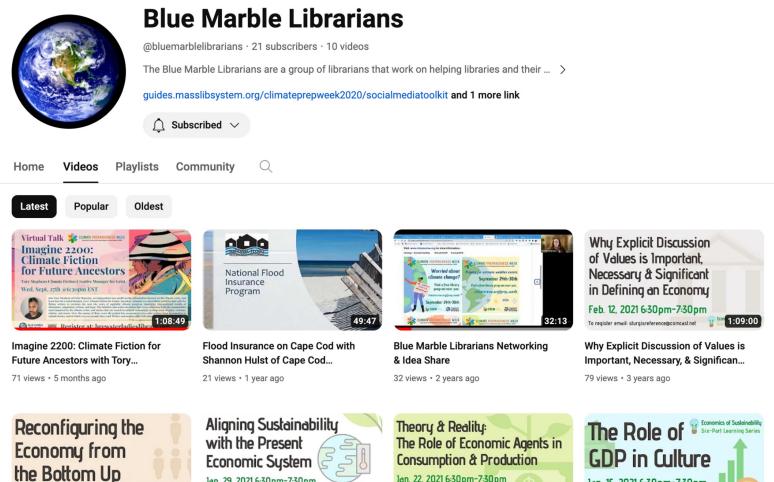
 Climate Prep Week
 Get Your Library on the Map
 Social Media Toolkit
 Testimonials



Massachusetts libraries collaborate with Communities Responding to Extreme Weather (CREW) on Climate Preparedness Week (held annually from Sept 24th - 30th) to prepare communities for extreme weather by offering programs about emergency preparedness and the intersection of climate change and social justice.

#### Looking for inspiration?

- Get ideas for programs.
- · View book lists for youth and adults for story times and discussions.
- · Explore these interactive maps to view programs offered in previous years.
- · Learn more from Communities Responding to Extreme Weather.
- · Join the MLS-BlueMarble-discussion listserv to share best practices and seek support.
- Check out the Blue Marble Library Blog for inspiration.



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### Social Media





#### **Blue Marble Librarians**

@BlueLibrarians Follows you

A network of librarians bringing their communities together to envision and manifest a resilient, just future.

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# Blue Marble Librarians









### Future: Idea Shares

### Climate Prep Week



#### Climate Prep Week https://guides.masslibsystem.org/ClimatePrepWeek

#### Hosts & Partners (2021)





#### Brewster Ladies Library & Wellfleet Public Library: Fix It Clinics, Gardening, Boomerang Bags







### **Concord Free Public Library:** Climate Ribbon Event, Native Tree Seedling Giveaway, Garden in a Bag





#### **GET INVOLVED**



Follow the Blue Marble Librarians on social media
Host a program (for Climate Prep Week or anytime!)
Check out the Blue Marble Library Blog for ideas

Stay updated on Blue Marble Librarian initiatives:



Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

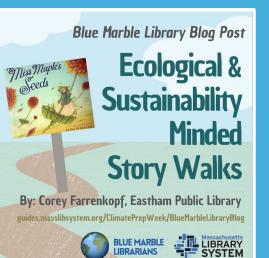


Share ideas for change-making programs, resources, initiatives, opportunities, and services to support sustainability, environmental stewardship, and social equity by thinking globally and acting locally. The Blue Marble discussion listserv serves as a communications forum for Massachusetts Library System members. Questions are also welcome.

Learn more: mblc.state.ma.us/sympa/info/mls-bluemarble

#### The Blue Marble Library Blog https://bit.ly/BlueMarbleLibraryBlog







Blue Marble Library Blog Post

#### A Surprising Path to Participating in a Sustainability Plan

By Reni Cunningham , Reference Librarian Concord Free Public Library

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### **Climate Resilience Hubs**



### What are they? Why do they matter?



Tiers? Requirements?



### What Resources do you get? Literature/Community



### Eastham Public Library & Brewster Ladies' Library: Climate Resilience Hubs

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### **Community Partners**

#### Local Nonprofits / Town Committees / Etc



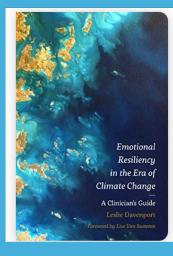
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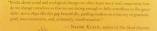
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### Mental Health Impacts of Climate Change

### Challenges

Job / property loss Illness Forced migration Fear, anger, hopelessness, paralysis Loss of social cohesion Activist burnout





#### ACTIVE Hope

Face the Mess We're in without Going Crazy

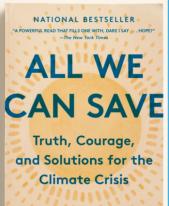
#### Joanna Macy & Chris Johnstone





Safeguard Society and Increase Wellbeing

**Bob Doppelt** 



Edited by Ayana Elizabeth Johnson & Katharine K. Wilkinson

#### HOW TO LIVE IN A CHAOTIC CLIMATE

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New Words for a New World

GLENN A. ALBRECHT



#### Trauma-informed programming

Safety Choice Collaboration Trustworthiness Empowerment

uffalo Center for Social Research https://socialwork.buffalo.edu/social research/institutes centers/institute on trauma and trauma informed care

"The times are urgent. Let us slow down." -Bayo Akomolafe

SO WE CAN...

- · Recognize the abundance of resources that might help us meet today's most challenging crises
- · Come face-to-face with the invisible, the hidden, the unremarked, the yet-to-be-resolved
- · Linger in the places we are not used to
- · Seek out new questions
- $\cdot\,$  Become accountable to more than what rests on the surface
- $\cdot$  Take care of ghosts
- · Hug monsters
- · Share silence

https://www.bayoakomolafe.net/post/a-slower-urgency

#### **Stay Energized / Sustain Yourself**











### **Questions + Discussion**

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#### Be the change you wish to see in the world. ~ Mahatma Gandhi

#### Thank you very much!



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