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# Resilience & Recovery

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# Resilience & Recovery Meet our Global Experts



## **Lynn Knight: The Authority on Economic Resilience and Development**

With over 50 published works, including the groundbreaking "States of Resilience" and "Leadership in Times of Crisis Toolkit," Lynn Knight is a highly respected economic development expert. Knight's comprehensive understanding of state-level initiatives and tribal resilience prepares communities for a prosperous future in the face of challenges.



## **Leann Hackman-Carty: Innovating Economic Recovery and Resiliency**

As the CEO of Economic Developers Alberta, Leann Hackman-Carty has been instrumental in driving economic recovery initiatives. Her expertise is evident in the development of the Canadian Community Toolkit for Economic Recovery and Resiliency, as well as the highly acclaimed "Master Your Disaster" guidebook series.



## **Jennifer Gray Thompson, MPA: After the Fire**

One of Forbes "50 over 50" IMPACT Leaders in 2022, Jennifer Gray Thompson has led virtually every megafire-affected community in the United States. In this role, Jennifer hosts a national summit on Wildfire Leadership annually in Sonoma, drawing upon leaders from frontline communities as well as the public, non-profit, and private sectors. She speaks regularly at conferences, and is the creator and host of the "How to Disaster" podcast, highlighting leaders and ideas in the space of disasters.



## **Natalie Gibson: Driving Economic Development Success in North America**

Natalie Gibson, President of InnoVisions and Associates, has consistently delivered exceptional results in economic development projects across North America. Her contributions to the inaugural Community Economic Development Training Program in Canada highlight her commitment to empowering communities and fostering growth.