

## **Resilience & Recovery Workshop for Communities**

**Clarkson Hall, Evergreen Park**

**February 23, 2024**

<b>8:15-8:45 AM</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b> <b>About Resilience</b> <b>Community Resilience Process</b>
<b>10:00-10:15 AM</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>10:15-11:45 AM</b>	<b>Interactive Session- Global Best Practices and Experiences</b>
<b>NOON-12:45 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:00 – 2:45 PM</b>	<b>Community Resilience Planning Exercise</b> <b>Group Reporting</b> <b>Questions &amp; Answers</b>
<b>3:00 - 3:30 PM</b>	<b>Wrap-up</b>

## **About your Workshop Facilitators**



### **Leann Hackman-Carty, Ec.D. (Calgary, Alberta, Canada)**

Leann has been the CEO of Economic Developers Alberta since 2009. In 2014, she spearheaded a project with 11 Alberta flood-impacted communities. Two years later, she worked with the Fort McMurray region on its business and economic recovery by operating the business hotline, validating businesses for Red Cross emergency relief, and leading an economic recovery assessment team to the region. She developed the Canadian Version of IEDC's *Community Toolkit for Economic Recovery and Resiliency* and brought its resiliency training program to Canada. She also heads up MYD Global, which is focused on community capacity building, resilience, and recovery. This experience has allowed her to work with several international experts on innovative long-term community recovery and resiliency programs across North America. As author of the "Master Your Disaster" series of guidebooks, she continues to help individuals, businesses, and communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.



### **Lynn Knight, CECD (Clifton, Virginia, USA)**

Lynn is a consulting professional with a diverse background in economic development, serving numerous government and commercial clients. She is a Certified Economic Developer with over 30 years of multi-sector experience in 42 U.S. states and territories. She has served as VP of Knowledge Management for the International Economic Development Council (IEDC)-- the largest and oldest organization for the economic development profession, with responsibilities for national research, technical assistance, training development, economic recovery, and sustainability initiatives. Lynn has managed a national program that certified economic development organizations for excellence and an economic recovery program that deployed hundreds of subject matter experts to disaster communities. Lynn is the author or editor of more than 50 publications, most recently including *States of Resilience*, a study of state-level resiliency initiatives, *Tribal Resilience for the Future*, the *Leadership in Times of Crisis Toolkit* and *The Changing Energy Landscape and its Impact on Economic Development in America*. Lynn is a dynamic leader with vision, organizational skills, and a record of accomplishments built on the ability to create relationships and produce results.



### **Jennifer Gray Thompson, MPA (San Francisco, California, USA)**

Jennifer is the Founder & CEO of After the Fire USA, Executive Director of the Rebuild NorthBay Foundation, and named one of Forbes's "50 over 50" IMPACT Leaders in 2022. Since "paying it forward" in the Camp Fire and Woolsey Fires of 2018, Jennifer has led numerous delegations, "paying it forward" to virtually every mega-fire-affected community in the United States. As CEO of After the Fire USA, Jennifer has designed an effective, innovative Wildfire Leadership Network, implemented a Survivor Deployment Model for newly fire-affected communities, provided immersive and actionable After Action Reports to national organizations and communities, and advocated with wildfire survivor leaders for sane and intelligent federal policies. She also hosts an annual national summit on Wildfire Leadership in Sonoma, drawing upon leaders from frontline communities as well as the public, nonprofit, and private sectors. As a leader in the area of wildfires, she has presented at several conferences at the US Chamber of Commerce Foundation, HAC, Fannie Mae, Brownsfield, Smart Cities, FEMA, and testified before the U.S. Senate in 2023.