



SCDRP 10th Annual Meeting Call for Lunch and Learn Session Proposals

The [Southeast & Caribbean Disaster Resilience Partnership \(SCDRP\)](#) is inviting proposals for Lunch and Learn sessions for the [SCDRP 10th Annual Meeting](#) in Charleston, SC on March 4-5, 2026.

We invite the submission of abstracts for sessions that are relevant to the US Southeast and Caribbean region and exemplify the theme of this year's SCDRP 10th Annual Meeting: "Navigating Extreme Events: Doing More With Less, Together." Proposed Lunch and Learn sessions should highlight proactive, collaborative strategies, resources, tools and/or roundtable discussion topics for navigating disasters in a future where state and local entities must continue to lead disaster preparedness, response, and recovery with potentially fewer resources. The goal of our Lunch and Learn sessions is to foster networking, help attendees translate insights and resources from the meeting into their own work, and provide a deeper exploration of topics aligned with this year's theme. We strongly encourage interactive formats that spark discussion, offer hands-on demonstrations, or teach practical skills.

Logistics: Lunch and Learn sessions will take place during the lunch break on both dates of the Annual Meeting: March 4 and 5. Lunch breaks are one hour total, and Lunch and Learn sessions will begin 15 minutes after the break starts to allow time for transition. Participants are invited to bring their lunch to the session of their choice. Proposed sessions may be 15-45 minutes long.

Three to four Lunch and Learn sessions will run concurrently in separate rooms throughout the meeting venue, creating space for open discussion and interaction. Attendees may choose whichever session best aligns with their interests. Accepted presenters will have the option to offer their sessions on both meeting days, if they choose.

A variety of session formats will be considered, including workshops, presentations, roundtables, demonstrations, and other interactive formats.

About the Meeting: The SCDRP 10th Annual Meeting will be attended by 130 climate resilience and adaptation, emergency management, and disaster recovery and resilience professionals representing the academic, nonprofit, public, and private professional sectors. Geographically, the profile of SCDRP Annual Meeting attendees represents the entire footprint of the SCDRP region including the southeastern states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, and the U.S. Caribbean territories of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The SCDRP 10th Anniversary Annual Meeting will highlight proactive, collaborative strategies for navigating disasters in a future where state and local entities must continue to lead disaster preparedness, response, and recovery with potentially fewer resources. The Meeting will convene practitioners and stakeholders from across sectors and fields to identify and share innovative approaches that enhance state, territorial, tribal and local emergency



management capacity and disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. The meeting will feature expert panel discussions, a demonstration field trip, interactive activities, and networking opportunities.

Registration: If selected, presenters must [register for the SCDRP Annual Meeting](#). Registration closes on January 30, 2026 (or when the event reaches max capacity).

Abstracts received by **December 31, 2025** will receive priority consideration. Abstracts received after this date will be considered based on availability of space. The number of proposals accepted will depend on proposed session lengths, but SCDRP anticipates accepting between 4 and 8 proposals total. Applicants who apply by December 31 will be notified whether their proposal has been accepted by January 15, 2026.

Please submit Abstracts at the link below:

<https://forms.gle/DXJ4wYgZE8RbSvkNA>

Abstracts should be no more than 500 words in length.