



Jefferson County 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Social Equity Survey

Surveys Received from the following:

Jefferson County Development Authority
Jefferson County Health Department
Jefferson County Utilities Inc.

Self-Assessment of Equity:

1. Has your department, agency, or organization observed shifts in the needs of underserved communities or gaps in social equity.

Growth of Spanish speaking communities without increase in Spanish language capacity in departments

2. Has your department, agency, or organization included social equity and/or vulnerability into any of your planning or services provided?

County Development Authority study workforce populations and are beginning to collaborate with United Way – ALICE report
Environmental Justice is a part of the overall system

Self-Assessment of Social Vulnerability:

1. Do you know of locations/areas of social vulnerability concern?

Mountain range east of Shenandoah River has physical access limitations
Kidney Dialysis Building
There are locations that experience more need than others within the County

2. Do you have any ideas on how Jefferson County and/or its municipalities could further reduce risk, particularly for those who face barriers to accessing assistance and for populations that are disproportionately affected by disasters?

Ensure resources target low-income housing areas
Look at programs for households that have chronic water cutoffs? To assist water providers in getting their needed revenue while ensuring that households are not left without potable water.