

The Neighbor Effect

With the frequency and severity of natural disasters on the rise, so has the importance of our understanding of community resilience in disaster recovery increased. A sense of community positively shaped disaster recovery for residents of 12 neighborhoods hit by Hurricane Sandy. A new study conducted by the [Associated Press-National Opinion Research Center for Public Affairs Research](#) shows these 12 communities report high levels of recovery two years after the disaster due, in part, to neighbors helping neighbors.

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