

Script for Community Partner Coffee Chats

Sea Grant Introductions

- Introduce yourself and what your role is at Sea Grant.
- Introduce CRANE mission and goals.
- Introduce the One Block at a Time Grant, goals, and anticipated outcomes.
- Share information about any other grants/projects relevant

Community Partner Introduction

- Ask the community partner to introduce themselves.
- What does their organization do?
- What cross-over may exist between our goals and their goals?
- What resilience-based activities are they currently involved in?
- In what ways does the organizations support the Erie Community?

Understanding organization challenges

- What challenges does the organization face during daily operations?
- What challenges do they face when engaging with the community?
- Are there resources or information that you feel are lacking when it comes to addressing water and climate challenges?
- Are there ways Sea Grant can help?

Working with Vulnerable groups

- How does the organization currently engage with vulnerable groups?
- What are some of the specific challenges the contact has observed in dealing with flooding or other climate impacts in the neighborhoods where they work?
- Has the organization taken action to mitigate these impacts? If not, what were the barriers to action?
- Are there ways Pennsylvania Sea Grant can connect with these populations?
- Are there locations they feel are most in need, but where resources and action are lacking?
- What kinds of implementation projects would be most valuable to your communities?

Follow-up

- What other organizations or neighborhood groups should Sea Grant connect with?
- Are there other initiatives or resilience programs we should be aware of?