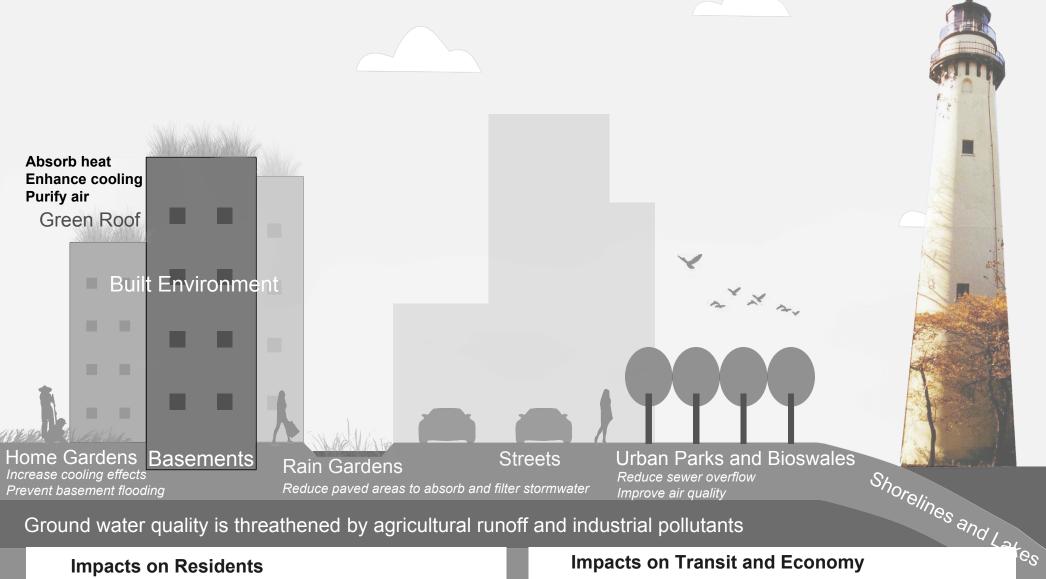
# Climate Change in Evanston, Illinois



# Ground water quality is threathened by agricultural runoff and industrial pollutants

# Impacts on Residents

Increased heat-related and vector-borne diseases

Worsening of respiratory ailments, such as asthma

Injuries and mental stress resulting from weather-related damages

Increased water treatment challenges and costs

Temperature fluctuations increase electricity demands

Reduced building lifespans

Increased basement flooding risks

#### What YOU Can Do To Help

Familiarize yourself about urban heat and flooding risks

Stay informed and contribute to community health education

Retain water through green infrastructure, such as rain barrels

Use native plants in your garden

properly insulate their homes to reduce energy demands

# **Impacts on Transit and Economy**

Increased street flooding, sewer overflow, and backup

Disrupted navigation on roads

Increased road accidents

Shipping routes may shift due to reduced ice cover

Decreased depth of navigation channels and reduced load capacity

Declined beach health and beach recreation opportunities

Increased wave levels and speed; lake level variability

### What YOU Can Do To Help

Suggest your city build urban parks and bioswales

Volunteer at community gardens

Help maintain shoreline vegetation and ecosystems

Protect ecosystem health by disposing of toxic substances properly

Watch for beach hazard warnings (waves, bacteria)

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