Introduction
ASFPM Chapter District 1 includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont. I had the pleasure of speaking with board directors from the following chapters:

1. Connecticut Association of Flood Managers (ctfloods.org)
2. Home | massfm
3. NJAFM - Home
4. Home - New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers (nyfloods.org)

I was unable to coordinate with Home | Rhode Island Flood Mitigation Association (riflood.org).

Key Accomplishments
ASFPM Chapter District 1 is a unique region in that it is composed of both newer and more established organizations.

- CAFM and massFM continue to advocate for increased memberships.
- Live virtual webinars offered by the NJAFM took the place of the highly successful in-person dinner seminars that provide continuing education credits.
- NYSFSMA’s membership has grown to just above 600, an increase of +100 over the past year as a result of virtual training offers.

Challenges
ASFPM State Chapters in District 1 have been challenged by the COVID-19 pandemic with regards to training and education, although all chapters have been able to pivot accordingly with virtual formats. Riverine versus coastal flooding regional priorities for membership representation is also notable. Another challenge is the confusion experienced with State Chapter versus ASFPM membership renewals and timing with municipal budgets.

Priorities
My key priorities for the coming year is to help coordinate and assemble templates and models to be used across Chapter District 1 for managing and operating a nonprofit organization.
Recommended Actions

ASFPM State Chapters in District 1 are challenged by the overall responsibilities of operating a nonprofit organization, such as fiscal accountability and budget approvals. Having a toolbox of resources, collected from ASFPM State Chapters across the country, could be a beneficial resource for all chapters that experience new Boards of Directors unfamiliar with organizational operations and finances.