## Why Do I Need Flood Insurance?

## FLOODING IS MORE COMMON THAN YOU THINK



Flooding occurs across all **50 states** of the United States and causes **billions of dollars** of damage to property and infrastructure every year.

Floods are the most common natural disaster in the US.



During a 30 year mortgage you are **27 times** more likely to experience a flood than fire protect yourself financially.

## PROTECT YOURSELF FINANCIALLY



Floods are costly and a flood doesn't have to be catastrophic to result in high out-of-pocket expenses.



Only a few inches of flood water can cause tens of thousands of dollars in damage.

## **CAUSES**



Hurricanes and heavy rain are **not the only causes of catastrophic flood events.** Winter storms, melt off, poor drainage, and failed levees and dams can also cause floods.



Urbanization, the clearing of land for agriculture or construction, artificial levee systemsall can **increase flood risk** and **influence where floods happen**.



Dry areas with little vegetation can quickly become inundated after monsoons.