

Sam Carter

Sam Carter is a Founding Principal of Resilient Cities Catalyst (RCC). In this role, he serves as RCC's lead on climate and urban transformation, and leads several strategic partnerships, including the Resilience Accelerator with Columbia University's Center for Resilient Cities and Landscapes and The Rockefeller Foundation, and the Southern California Resilience Initiative with the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation. He was a leader at 100 Resilient Cities where he served on the Executive Team and developed the Resilience Accelerator as a program supporting eight 100RC cities across the globe. Prior to that, he served as Managing Director leading the ResilienceTeam at The Rockefeller Foundation. He also served as an advisor on the Global Resilience Partnership, a collaboration with DFID and USAID to connect humanitarian response to long term planning to improve the strength of communities and reduce repetitive losses.

Sam holds an MPA in Public and Nonprofit Management from the Robert F. Wagner School for Public Service at NYU and a BA in Media Ecology from the Gallatin School of Individualized Study at NYU.

Olivia Collins

Olivia Collins is the Senior Director of Programs for the CLEO Institute. She was born and raised in Canada, and has spent the last 20 years working across the United States and the world, on different environmental projects. Among the different responsibilities her role now entails, Olivia helps oversee all program execution, monitoring and evaluation. She also leads some of CLEO's larger collaborations that focus on community resilience such as the intersection of heat and health for underserved community members. She has more than 15 years of experience in project management and environmental education, participating in projects ranging from natural building, to island conservation to food security. She graduated in 2009 from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies, focused on Sustainability and Social Justice. Later in 2014, completed her Master's degree in Environmental Impact Assessment, from Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.



Patricia Gomez

Dr. Patricia Gómez has more than 20-years of direct experience working on engineering and sustainability-related opportunities in both the public sector and private industries.

Most recently, she serves as the Deputy Chief Resilience Officer in the Miami-Dade County's Office of Resilience. During her county career Dr. Gómez has successfully implemented several projects that have increase the sustainability and resilience of the county operations and the community and reduced electricity consumption such as the enterprise-wide utility billing management software, and the Building Efficiency 305 (BE305), the Climate Action Strategy and on-site solar installations for county facilities.

