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Flood Mitigation Company Opens in Downtown Suffolk

SUFFOLK, Virginia – May 11, 2022 – Building Resilient Solutions (BRS), a flood mitigation company providing retrofit designs for existing and historic buildings experiencing repetitive flooding and flood damage, is hosting its ribbon cutting at 147 North Main Street in Suffolk on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 11 a.m. Suffolk Mayor Michael Duman will be on hand for the celebration and ribbon cutting ceremony. The event is free and open to the public.

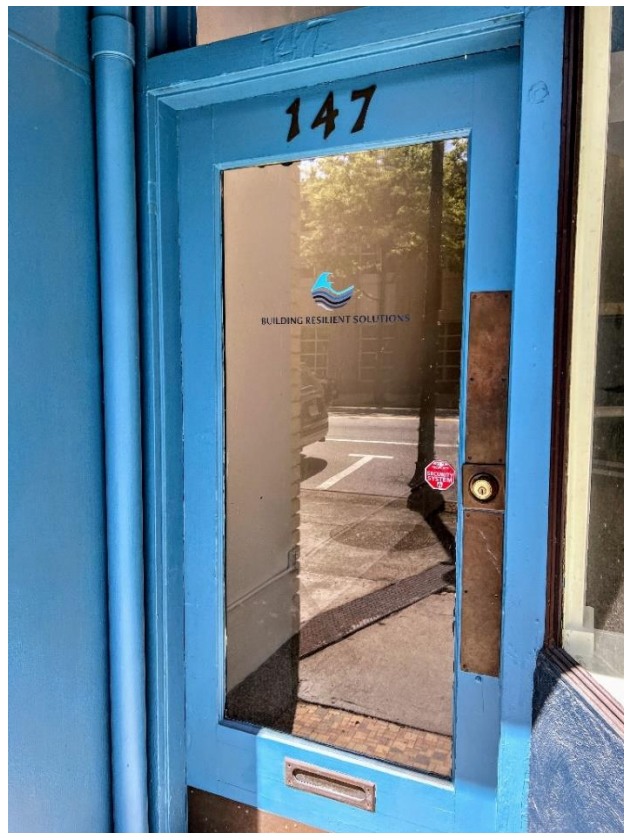
Established in 2018 as a joint venture between Commonwealth Preservation Group and Museum Resources Construction and Millwork, BRS researches the history of a property, diagnoses existing problems, provides treatment recommendations and develops a retrofit solution. The company specializes in retrofit designs for pre-1970s-era construction and historic structures that are unable to be elevated or relocated.

“Flooding isn’t a one-size-fits-all problem, and the solutions aren’t either,” said BRS co-owner Paige Pollard. “By understanding more about the history of the building and goals of its owner, we can offer a comprehensive, tailored plan.”

In 2019, BRS received a \$250,000 grant as a winner in the inaugural RISE Coastal Community Resilience Challenge and used the funds to purchase monitoring equipment and design the flood testing laboratory, with a flood test chamber, in Downtown Suffolk – the first of its kind in the United States.

“By evaluating how, where and when a building or home was constructed, and using lab-tested solutions, BRS is helping redefine flood adaptation and mitigation strategies for coastal communities,” said RISE Executive Director, Dr. Paul A. Robinson. “We’re proud to support their important work.”

To learn more about Building Resilient Solutions, visit their website at: <https://www.brs.llc/>



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