

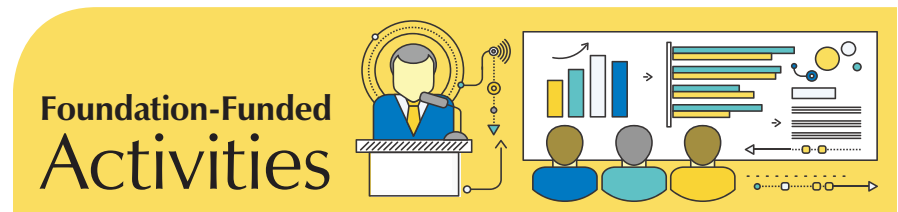


# 2017 Annual Report

The Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPF) Foundation, established in 1996, acts as a catalyst and conduit to examine major sustainable flood risk management policy issues supporting ASFPF's mission. The Foundation communicates results and recommends policy options to influence future sustainable flood risk management and natural floodplain and water systems management domestically and internationally. The ASFPF Foundation's vision is to reduce the risk and impact of floods on people and communities.



2017 Student Paper competitors L-R: Ashton Rohmer – University of North Carolina (2nd place), Ali Mohammad Rezaie – George Mason University (3rd place), Maryellen Hearn – Technical University of Dresden (1st place), and ASFPF Foundation President Doug Plasencia



In 2017, the Foundation established the **Future Leaders Scholarship**. This is a 2-year scholarship that will provide full funding for college tuition and expenses. The scholarship is intended to advance flood risk management research and practice. The first scholarship selection commenced in the fall of 2017, and the winner, Jesus Mulgado, was selected in May 2018.



Dr. Dennis Mileti addressed the third annual Larry A. Larson Speaker Series in Boulder, Colorado.

The Foundation held the **7th Annual Student Paper Competition** at the 2017 ASFPF Conference. This competition brings our nation's brightest college students together to compete and present on a flood-related topic. Travel expenses and awards are paid to the top three students.

The **Oklahoma Flood Risk Symposium**, held in March 2017, was the 11th ASFPF Foundation-sponsored state flood risk symposium and the first one held in Oklahoma. The symposium's feature topic was, "Flood Risk Reduction in Oklahoma: One Discussion, Common Goals." The final report of this event can be found on the ASFPF Foundation's website.

The ASFPF Foundation presented the 3rd **Larry A. Larson Speaker Series** event in July 2017. The speaker series creates opportunities to discuss policies and for the nation's top leaders on flood risk reduction policy to interact. The featured speaker for the 2017 event was Dr. Dennis Mileti, Professor Emeritus of Sociology at the University of Colorado-Boulder and Director Emeritus of the Natural Hazards Center. Dr. Mileti's discussion topic was, "Floodplain Management and Community Resilience in a World with Changing Contextual Factors."



The ASFPM Foundation completed the *K-12 Flood Education Resource Report* in 2017.



Jake Thickman, NOAA Digital Coast Fellow

## Foundation-Funded Projects



The **Best Practices and Case Studies Compendium** was completed in 2017. This useful compendium is searchable and available online to flood risk managers everywhere. Users can browse by topic or visit the Best Practices and Case Studies Compendium Library to search the collection.

Also completed in 2017 was the **K-12 Flood Education Resource Report**. The Foundation evaluated flood risk education best practices and gaps for K-12 students and proposed recommendations aimed at developing or extending the K-12 flood risk education curriculum.

The **Library Web Portal**, completed in 2017, hosts documents, publications, and reports that were donated to ASFPM by members and friends of members. It allows open access to all of the reports.

The ASFPM Foundation continued funding for Jake Thickman, a 2-year NOAA fellow in the **Digital Coast Fellowship Program**. He is working at the ASFPM Executive Office where he is helping states achieve adaptive management of changing coastal hazards, risks, and ecosystems.

## ASFPM Foundation 2017 Income and Expenses

