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Jina Porter is an urban planner who has worked with urban and rural municipalities, community groups and nonprofits, and has facilitated multiple community engagement and visioning sessions. Her expertise in planning for disasters builds upon her thesis research on rural communities' ability to mitigate the effects of natural disasters. Jina continues to work with the town of Woodbury, Connecticut in an ongoing capacity to increase their resilience in the face of changing climate, disaster, and emergency scenarios. Jina has been a nationally certified American Sign Language – English interpreter and advocate for disability rights for over 20 years. Jina holds a Master of City and Regional Planning degree from Pratt Institute and a BS from Northeastern University in ASL-English Interpreting.