

Document Summary

In the heart of the Caribbean, the Cayman Islands face an existential threat as climate change looms large on the horizon. The Rising Tides Departing Shores Action Plan emerges as a beacon of hope in the face of impending catastrophe, aiming to ignite urgent dialogue and decisive action.



Existential crisis and resilience

As we confront the harsh reality of our changing environment, Caymanians grapple with a profound sense of isolation and ecological collapse. Stories of Hurricane Ivan serve as poignant reminders of the fragility of our existence.

Strategic solutions and legacy

The plan outlines strategic responses and relocation options such as a new Cayman 'Highland', aiming to leave a positive legacy. It emphasizes the emotional and cultural dimensions of migration, offering expertise in finance, tourism, and environmental stewardship as valuable assets for relocation.



Global implications and urgent call

Beyond the Cayman Islands, the plan offers a model for territories facing similar climate challenges. It urges governments to take proactive action, advocating for policy amendments to facilitate migration and ensure a resilient future for vulnerable communities worldwide.

