

# KEEP SAFE FLORIDA



## Introduction

**KEEP SAFE FLORIDA** is a comprehensive technical support system created to help affordable housing owners in the Miami, Orlando and Tampa regions with the tools and resources to assess and address threats from climate change and natural disasters.

### What's At Stake

Between 2006 and 2016, climate-related events cost an average of \$359 million dollars in property damage, and this was before the devastating impact of Hurricane Irma in 2017 and Hurricane Michael in 2018. Aging affordable housing properties need mitigation measures to lessen the risks of extreme weather conditions to buildings and to protect residents' access to safe, healthy homes.

For owners of multiple properties, even one damaged building can undermine the financial health and integrity of an entire portfolio. Any resulting property loss or extensive damage can also significantly impact resident well-being, lead to displacement and cause economic distress across entire communities.

### Protecting What Matters

**KEEP SAFE FLORIDA** helps affordable housing owners prioritize their most at-risk buildings – and provide strategies and financing guidance to protect residents and properties. Property owners have access to free assessment tools and a training series focused on improving building resilience.

Enterprise developed this system of support in partnership with local public agencies, housing nonprofits and property and disaster management experts.

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## Eligibility

KEEP SAFE FLORIDA is available to multifamily housing owners in the Miami, Tampa and Orlando regions. Properties must have four or more units, with at least half affordable at 80% area median income or below.



### Miami

Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties



### Tampa

Hillsborough, Pinellas, Hernando and Pasco Counties



### Orlando

Orange, Lake, Osceola and Seminole Counties

## KEEP SAFE Florida Resources, Training and Peer Learning

### Access Keep Safe Florida through two pathways:

- **Do It Yourself:** Access tools, online guides and recorded trainings independently to assess your buildings risk. Portfolio Protect and Building Protect Assessments will be completed independently, within four weeks of enrollment.
- **Keep Safe Learning Collaborative:** Join a learning collaboration of owners across Florida to address mutual needs regarding climate risk. Participants will engage in three training sessions over eight weeks and will access technical assistance in completing building assessments and applying results. Please note that participants will be required to attend all three training sessions.

“ I felt the Building Protect Assessment Tool was user friendly, especially if you are at the site and going through the questions in real time. More importantly, the assessment tool generates a report with specific recommendations that are weighed in terms of critical need, which makes prioritizing decision making easier from an operational standpoint.

— SAL RUSSO, CARRFOUR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, PROPERTY MANAGEMENT VICE PRESIDENT

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