



GRANTS AVAILABLE TO SAFEGUARD HOMES FROM HURRICANES

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STATE TO PAY FOR SHUTTERS, OTHER HURRICANE MITIGATION NEEDS FOR BROWARD'S LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS

APPLY FOR A GRANT, PROTECT YOUR HOME

The State of Florida is offering up to \$5,000 per home to Broward County's low-income homeowners through the My Safe Florida Home hurricane mitigation program. Grants for home mitigation projects, such as shutter installation, garage door replacements, and several other home fortifying techniques, will be made to individuals whose household income is 80% or less than the Annual Median Income for Broward (\$48,500 for a family of four), who own single-family, site-built homes with an insured value of less than \$500,000 and who have a homestead exemption.

Homeowners are encouraged to apply for these limited funds through Volunteer Broward, the local organization selected to administer the grant through the Volunteer Florida Foundation's Hurricane Relief Fund. Funding is possible because of a \$250 million appropriation by the Florida Legislature during the 2006 Session to create the Florida Comprehensive Hurricane Damage Mitigation Program, now referred to as My Safe Florida Home and administered by the Florida Department of Financial Services. To apply for a grant, homeowners can call Volunteer Broward at 954-522-6761.

APPLY TODAY, FUNDS ARE LIMITED! 954-522-6763 OR 954-522 -6761