



HURRICANE IRMA IMPACTS - HOUSING RECOVERY

HIGH LAND VALUES, LIMITED LAND, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS, CONTROLLED GROWTH REQUIREMENTS FOR SAFE HURRICANE EVACUATION ALL CONTRIBUTE TO

MONROE COUNTY'S ALREADY LIMITED HOUSING STOCK AND SEVERE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY PROBLEM.

HURRICANE IRMA DESTROYED OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED OVER 4,000 HOMES.



- **4,156 HOMES WERE DESTROYED** OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED. AN ADDITIONAL 5,391 HOMES WERE DAMAGED. COMBINED THIS IS 20% OF OUR HOUSING STOCK.
- **9,870 FAMILIES DISPLACED** -- RECEIVING FEMA RENTAL ASSISTANCE, DIRECT HOUSING (TRAILERS), TRANSITIONAL SHELTERING ASSISTANCE (HOTELS), OR DIRECT LEASE ASSISTANCE.

PLEASE SUPPORT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO REBUILD A MORE RESILIENT HOUSING STOCK THAT WILL BE SAFER, BETTER ADAPTED FOR COASTAL FLOODING AND STORM SURGE, WILL MINIMIZE FUTURE STORM-RELATED PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LOSSES, AND WILL PRESERVE THE ECONOMY AND WORKFORCE HOUSING.

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