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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Suffer Hurricane Ian damages made worse by Hurricane Milton? Help may be available

**November 15, 2024** – Flagler County officials just received word that FloridaCommerce is supporting homeowners who had Hurricane Ian damages that are now worsened by Hurricane Milton through the Rebuild Florida Program.

Flagler County is one of the 20 counties impacted by both Hurricane Ian and either Hurricane Helene or Hurricane Milton that are eligible for assistance. Those homeowners with exacerbated damages should apply for the program at <a href="Ian.RebuildFlorida.gov">Ian.RebuildFlorida.gov</a>.

"We urge you to communicate with homeowners in your community about the Rebuild Florida Program, Florida's long-term recovery program that addresses remaining unmet housing recovery needs through the repair or replacement of hurricane damaged homes," said Meghan Miranda, Advisory Services for KPMG, in an email sent to County Administrator Heidi Petito.

Miranda said that the program prioritizes the most vulnerable populations, including low-income families, seniors, those with disabilities, and families with children under the age of 18. It is designed to ensure homes are decent, safe, and sanitary after sustaining hurricane damage.

"For those interested in learning more about the program or who need assistance with their application, please direct them to <a href="Ian.RebuildFlorida.gov">Ian.RebuildFlorida.gov</a>," Miranda said. "For additional information or help filling out an application, impacted homeowners can fill out the <a href="Contact Us Form">Contact Us Form</a> for our team to reach out to assist, or they can contact our call center at <a href="1-800-915-6803">1-800-915-6803</a>, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for assistance."

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