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Hurricane Season – One Month Down

Hurricane season started just over one month ago and it's already proven to be active. Elsa became the first hurricane of the 2021 season. I am grateful that, overall, the impact was less than predicted. Although most Floridians were not severely impacted, it's not time to let our guard down. Prepare before the next storm impacts you.

This month, we brought back #MitigationMonday on social media (@YourFLVoice on **Facebook** and **Twitter**) to encourage Floridians to start working now to decrease risks.

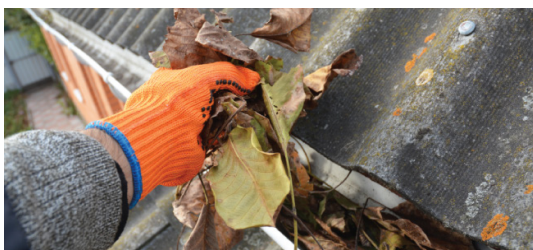
Here are a few tips on how to mitigate damage:



- Flying objects such as chairs, grills, umbrellas, etc. can cause severe injuries or damage during a storm. Tie down/anchor objects as soon as you become aware of a storm.



- Both large and small trees can cause serious injury and damage especially as a result of high storm winds. Trim trees and branches around your home. Encourage and coordinate with your neighbors to do the same.



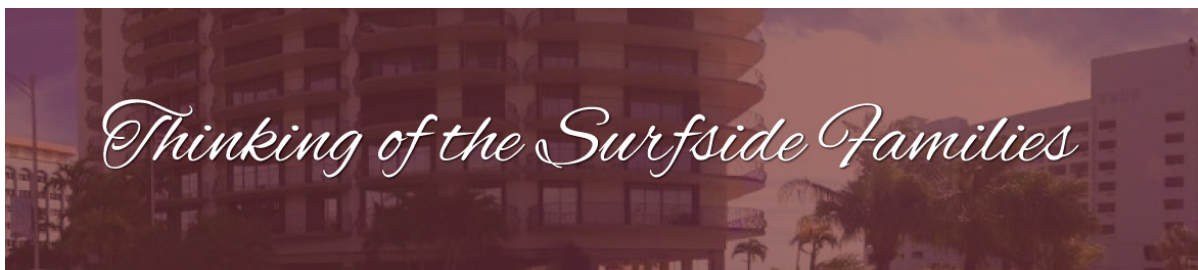
- Keep gutters clear of debris to direct water away from your home & reduce the possibility of flooding or water intrusion.

What are some ways you mitigate damage? I'd love to hear from you!

Visit my dedicated Mitigation webpage for benefits, options and steps:



www.MyFloridaCFO.com/Division/ICA/PlanPrepareProtect/Mitigation



Last week, I had the privilege and honor to serve the families impacted by the Surfside Condo Collapse. Providing insurance assistance and guidance to such resilient families was a humbling experience and a reminder that life can change in an instant.

Hug your loved ones a little tighter, call a friend you haven't spoken to in a while and offer a kind word to a stranger.

Sincerely,

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