



As a Participating contractor, **D&D Aluminum** is here to help you with all your questions regarding the My Safe Florida Home matching grant program. Here are some of the answers from the MSFH web-site to the most often asked questions we receive. If you would prefer to call or stop by our showroom we will be happy to answer all your questions. **Phone: 954-987-2206 or 1-800-730-4510**

## AM I ELIGIBLE?

### If your home was inspected after May 1:

The 2007 Legislature changed the eligibility requirements for grants under the My Safe Florida Home program. You are eligible for a matching grant up to \$5,000 if you live in a single-family detached, site-built home that meets the following criteria:

- Constructed before March 1, 2002 (Date on permit application)
- Has insured value is \$300,000 or less.
- Has a valid homestead exemption.
- Your located in the wind-borne debris region (see map below)
- Has undergone a hurricane mitigation inspection

## WHAT DO I NEED TO APPLY FOR A GRANT?

Homeowners who have undergone a wind inspection and meet the eligibility requirements are eligible to apply for a grant through the My Safe Florida Home program.

### For inspections completed after May 1, 2007:

Before you begin the grant application process, you will need several key pieces of information on hand, including:

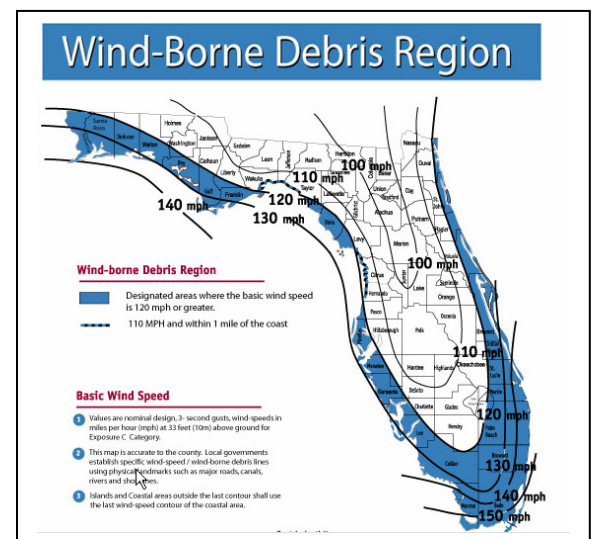
- 1. Your inspection report.** Grant funds are limited to certain improvements – opening and door protections and bracing of gable ends. Section 2 or page 4 of your inspection report will detail if these improvements are recommended.
- 2. Your MSFH number.** This number was provided to you when you applied for a free wind inspection. It is located in the upper, left corner of your inspection report.
- 3. Your homestead exemption number.** To obtain a copy of your homestead exemption, which also has information on the year your home was built, you may use the following link to find your local property appraiser's website:

<http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/appraisers.html>

Depending on your county, your homestead exemption number can be called any of the following: parcel ID number, folio number, property number or real estate number.

(**NOTE:** If you were in your home on January 1, 2007 but did not apply for homestead until after March 1, 2007, or if you moved into your home after March 1, 2007, you will not be granted a homestead exemption until 2008. You can apply for a grant in 2008 after you have been granted the homestead exemption.)

- 4. Your insurance information.** Unless you qualify as a low-income homeowner, you will need to provide the current insured value of your home.



The *declarations page(s)* of your insurance policy will provide this information and will display your name and property address. If you are unable to locate your insurance policy information, contact your insurance agent or company for this information. A flood insurance policy is not an acceptable form of proof of insured value for your home.

**5. The year your home was built.** In addition to your homestead exemption, your insurance and mortgage documents may include the year your home was built.

**NOTE: IF YOUR HOME WAS BUILT IN 2002, THEY WILL NEED THE EXACT DATE THE PERMIT APPLICATION WAS MADE TO BUILD YOUR HOME.**

Only homes with a building permit application for initial construction made before March 1, 2002 will qualify for a grant. You can find this information through your local building official. They will need a copy of the permit.

**Wind-borne Debris Region:** The Department's application system automatically identifies if you are located in the wind-borne debris region. If you are unable to apply as a result of the application system showing that you are not located in the wind-borne debris region and believe our information is inaccurate, contact your local building official.

**HOW DO I APPLY FOR A GRANT?**

There are two ways to apply for a grant under the My Safe Florida Home program. Before you apply, make sure you have all the documents you need by reading "What do I need to apply for a grant?"

**1. You can apply online.** In addition to receiving the necessary information, they will ask you a series of questions to ensure your being served in the most efficient and effective way.

**Once you have viewed your completed online application for accuracy,** you will submit your grant application electronically. Since proof of homestead and insurance is required, you will have the option to submit these documents either electronically or by mailing them in. If you are a low-income homeowner, proof of insurance is not required, but you will need to provide proof of your household's adjusted gross income.

If you choose to submit everything electronically:

Attach proof of homestead and insurance at the time you submit your grant application in any of the following file formats: MS Word, PDF, JPG or GIF.

If you choose to submit your grant application electronically but need to mail the proof of homestead and insurance:

Electronically submit your application, print out a copy of your grant application summary and mail it in with proof of homestead and insurance to:

**My Safe Florida Home  
Grant Application**

P.O. Box 7300  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314-7300

**Once you have successfully submitted your application,** it is recommend that you print out a copy of your grant application summary and proof of homestead and insurance for your records.

**OR**

**2. You can apply over the phone.** Call 1-866-513-6734 and they will take your application over the phone. Remember, they will still need to receive proof of homestead exemption and insurance. They will mail you a copy of your grant application summary for your records. Proof of homestead and insurance should be mailed to:

**My Safe Florida Home  
Grant Application**

P.O. Box 7300  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314-7300

**Please include your MSFH# on all documents.**

**Still have additional questions or need help with your application;** D&D Aluminum is ready to help you through the entire process

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**Computers available for on-line applications: 5700 Washington Street, Hollywood FL. 33023**