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## News Release

### Mitigation Experts Continue to Offer Rebuilding Advice

**BRANDON, Fla.** – As Floridians rebuild, survivors of Hurricane Ian can get free advice on how to rebuild stronger and safer against storms.

FEMA mitigation specialists will be at several locations to answer questions and offer free home improvement tips and proven methods to prevent and lessen damage from future disasters. This information is geared for do-it-yourself work and general contractors.

Mitigation is an effort to reduce the loss of life and property damage by lessening the impact of a disaster. The FEMA specialists will be available during the following dates and locations:

#### **Fort Myers Hurricane Recovery EXPO**

Walmart Supercenter

4770 Colonial Blvd, Fort Myers, FL 33966-1034

Saturday and Sunday, November 19 and 20, Noon to 5 p.m.

**This location will end on Sunday, Nov. 20:**

**Home Depot**, 3402 Forum Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33905

Hours: Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Ongoing:

**Home Depot**

4040 Park Blvd, Pinellas Park, FL 33781

Hours: Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**This location will begin on Monday, Nov. 21:**

**Home Depot**

11941 Bonita Beach Road SE, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Hours: Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The FEMA Mitigation line is available to survivors who are interested in talking with a mitigation specialist about rebuilding stronger. Survivors can call 833-336-2487 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET.

For the latest information on Florida's recovery from Hurricane Ian, visit [floridadisaster.org/info](https://floridadisaster.org/info) and [fema.gov/disaster/4673](https://fema.gov/disaster/4673). Follow [FEMA Region 4 \(@femaregion4\) / Twitter](https://twitter.com/femaregion4) and at [facebook.com/fema](https://facebook.com/fema).

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