

FALL 2022

STANDING STRONG AFTER IAN



Left. Satellite image of an Aubuchon Home built on Fort Myers Beach in 2020. Right. The same home still standing strong after Ian roared ashore. The living space of this home was built 12 feet above the ground. Below. A street view of the same Aubuchon Home after the storm.

Hurricane Ian slammed into Southwest Florida just over a month ago as one of the strongest storms to hit the U.S.

In it's wake, it left a trail of destruction and heartbreaking loss of lives.

We feel very fortunate to report that every one of the more than 130 employees and agents that make up the Aubuchon Team of Companies survived the storm.

Shortly after the storm, we heard from several clients who stayed in their Aubuchon Homes through Ian.

They wanted to let us know they felt safe during the storm.

"I want to thank the Aubuchon team for

building us a home that withstood 157 mph winds and rain," Lenny Spallone shared. "We hunkered down, worried, but went thru it safe and sound in our Aubuchon Home."

Florida began to strengthen homes with stricter building codes following Hurricane Andrew in 1992.



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Several code revisions later, the design and engineering standards of today truly make a difference.

Designing to the current building code in Southwest Florida meant that, during Hurricane Ian, impact windows and doors held up against flying debris and sustained winds of 150 mph.

Higher elevation requirements helped homes stay dry even with storm surges above 12 feet in some areas.

Newer homes also had stronger roof-to-wall connections and improved resistance to wind and water intrusion.

With every storm, we learn more about how to keep homes and homeowners safe.

Updating the building code is an ongoing process and more changes are coming in 2023.

Lost our pool cage but everything else on the house is awesome. No other real damage. Very strong house thank you. We are so happy. - Rebbecca R.

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WHO'S PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR A STORM?

Many Southwest Florida homeowners are only here part-time or rent out their homes to vacationers.

That's why it's important to hire a Property Manager to help protect your investment.

The Property Management Team at Miloff Aubuchon Realty Group has been running non-stop since well before Hurricane Ian came ashore.

Prior to the storm, the team communicated with every homeowner and renter about steps to take to be prepared.

They coordinated shutter installations, securing outdoor furniture and other items at more than 180 properties across our area.

Then, after the storm, the team sprang into action prioritizing more than 360 work orders relating to storm-ravaged homes.

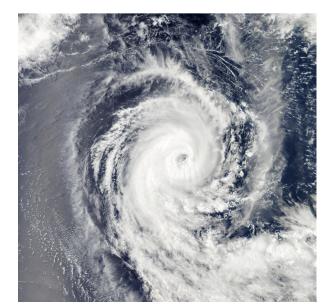
Once they were able to get back on-site, they did full inspections of all properties for damages.

They turned to their well-vetted service and emergency contractors to protect the most vulnerable homes with tarps. Then, they began the process of reporting issues back to homeowners.

For more than a month, the team has been working with displaced tenants to help find them temporary housing.

They've also been working alongside homeowners to gather damage estimates and coordinate with insurance adjusters.

To speak with a member of our Property Management team about your home call 239-541-3735 or visit www.margpm.com.



GRAND AURORA AWARD WINNER



AWARDS 2022-Grand Awrora AWARD BEST CUSTOM HOME UNDER 4,000 SQ. FT.

Aubuchon Homes Riverside Private Residence Cape Coral, FL

On August 4, the Southeast Building Conference (SEBC) in Orlando, FL was topped off with the announcement of the Grand Aurora Winners at the 2022 Aurora Awards Gala!

A panel of acclaimed designers and builders met in June to select from a competition of nearly 400 entries, projects to be named Silver Award Winners. From this circle of builders, designers, and architects from the Carolinas to Texas, the Grand Aurora winners emerge. Aubuchon Homes, represented by Gary Aubuchon and his wife Andrea, was honored to receive a Grand Aurora Award in the Best Custom Home under 4,000 sq. ft. category.

The private residence shown above is a fivebedroom, four-and-a-half-bath open concept ultra-modern design. Situated on a riverfront lot in Cape Coral, the design of the home takes full advantage of unobstructed waterfront views.

This is Aubuchon Homes' second Grand Aurora Award recognition. See more photos of this home on the Aubuchon Homes website <u>www.aubuchonhomes.com.</u>



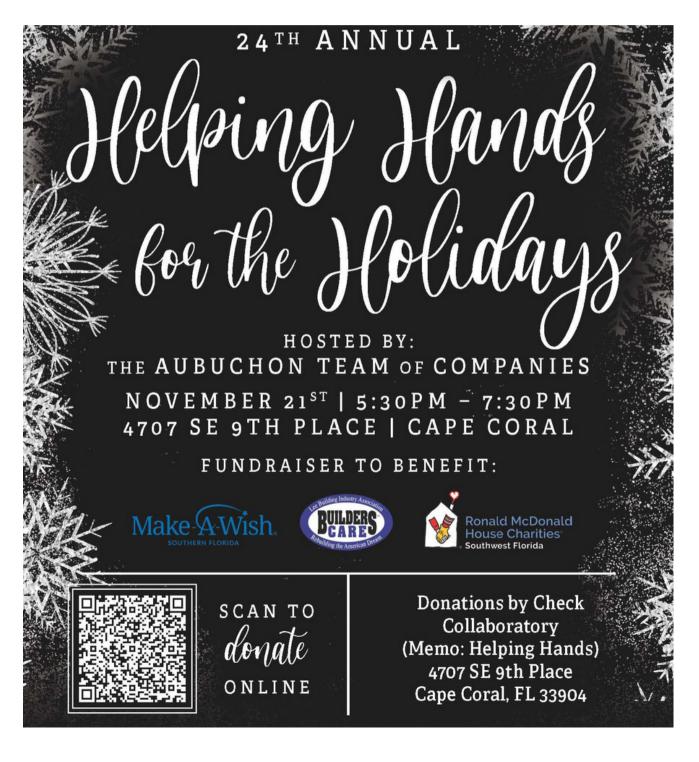
A NIGHT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Helping Hands for the Holidays returns for its 24th year at the Aubuchon Team of Companies in Cape Coral.

Everyone is welcome to kick off the holiday season with us from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on Monday, November 21st.

There will be food, drinks, a Rockefeller-style Christmas tree, and photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus. The event raises funds for three local charities to make wishes come true for children with critical illnesses, provide needed construction repairs for elderly or disabled homeowners, and help families of hospitalized children feel at home when they can't be.

We hope you'll join us November 21st, but if you can't be there please consider <u>donating</u> now to make a difference.



AUBUCHON HOMES PRESENTS AT CBUSA POWER 30

Justin Einstein, Director of Operations, represented Aubuchon Homes at the CBUSA Power 30 Conference in September. The annual construction conference in Boston, MA brought together the best builders, suppliers, and manufacturers in the industry to network, learn and celebrate together. Justin participated as a panelist to discuss the approach we've taken to overcome industry obstacles as well as how we integrate BuilderTrend into our daily operations. Justin met Boston Marathon bombing survivor and New York Times best selling author Jeff Bauman. Jeff spoke about accepting help and connecting to your network in order to thrive in times of adversity.





AUBUCHON'S MANDOLIN MODEL COMES DOWN

The Mandolin model stood at the foot of the Cape Coral Bridge for more than a decade welcoming Cape Coral visitors from the road and the water. This month, the walls came down and were cleared away to make room for Slipaway, an exciting new Food Truck Park and Marina for Southwest Florida residents and vacationers. Slipaway will feature slips that can accommodate up to 30 boats, a marina with gas docks, a ship's store, 10 food trucks, an open-air pavilion, and much more.



30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

August 2022 marked the 30th year for Aubuchon Homes. Our team celebrated the milestone at our main office in Cape Coral. During the event company founder and C.E.O. Gary Aubuchon remarked, "I think back to where we started and look at where we are today as a design, build, and decorate firm with all of our ancillary companies. It isn't about these beautiful homes we build. It isn't about the magnificent houses that we design, sell, and decorate. It's the people that work with us and for us that make the difference and allow us to create Raving Fans." Thank you for 30 spectacular years!













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