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Staff Spotlight

Please join us in welcoming our newest project coordinator, JayCameron, to the Transform386 team! He wasted no time jumping in, quickly picking up a case load and getting to work helping homeowners navigate the recovery process. We're excited to have him as part of the team and can't wait to see all he'll achieve.

General Updates

**33+** additional

Homeowner Recovery Projects Completed

**10+** additional Grant Agreements Executed**35** Infrastructure Projects in Progress**28** Stormwater Studies Underway**3** Affordable Housing Developments Under Construction**1** Multi-Family Project Pending Closing

Recovery in Action

We have had a lot of exciting updates and milestones this past quarter! Transform386 continued making steady progress in helping Volusia County recover and rebuild. From advancing homeowner recovery projects, to moving infrastructure initiatives forward, the program remains focused on delivering long-term results for our community. This quarter also included the posting of the Action Plan 5.0 Substantial Amendment, which proposes increasing the maximum Buyout Pathway award to \$450,000,

clarified buyout eligibility requirements, and updates infrastructure project scoring. Public comments will be accepted through August 20, 2026, before the amendment is submitted to HUD for approval. Beyond these milestones, the team continued working behind the scenes to move applicants through the recovery process, support construction efforts, and expand access to safe, resilient housing. We remain committed to building a more resilient Volusia County for generations to come.

Lakewood Senior Housing

Construction continues at Lakewood Senior Housing, one of three Transform386-supported multi-family housing developments currently underway. Once complete, the project will help expand safe, affordable housing opportunities for seniors in Volusia County.



Community Engagement

A Hero's Homecoming

On July 24, we welcomed Louis served more than 20 home the inaugural Veteran years in the U.S. Marine of the Year, Pierre Louis. Corps as a pilot and County leaders, family maintenance officer before members, friends, continuing his commitment to community partners, and public service through supporters gathered to volunteer leadership, celebrate Louis' return home mentoring and helping fellow veterans navigate U.S. damaged his residence, Department of Veterans Affairs benefits. In recognition of his lifelong dedication to others, Volusia County named him its inaugural Veteran of the Year in 2026. The ceremony marked the completion of his home and another important milestone in his recovery from one of Florida's most destructive storms.



A Second Chance at Recovery

The Disaster Case Management Team launched a targeted outreach initiative to reconnect with homeowners whose applications had become inactive. By reaching out directly, staff helped applicants reengage with the Homeowner Recovery Program and continue moving toward recovery. To date, the team has made more than 700 calls, successfully reactivating 70+ homeowner cases and helping families continue their path toward recovery.



Buyout Milestones

The Buyout Pathway continues gaining momentum as homeowners move to closing. Eight buyout real estate closings have been completed to date, with more in progress, helping families relocate from flood-prone properties while supporting long-term flood mitigation efforts across Volusia County. With more closings on the horizon and the program's first demolition already complete, Transform386 is continuing to turn recovery plans into lasting results.



Closing Day with Staff and Seller Pictured

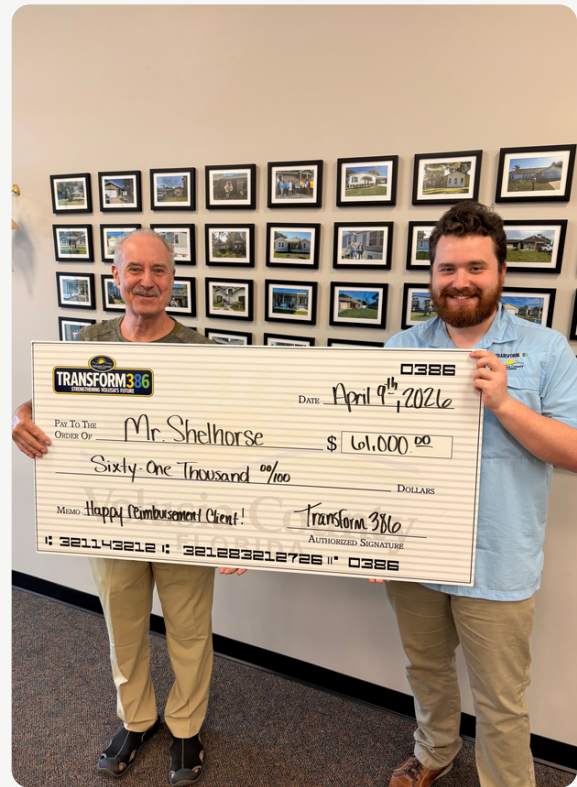
Reimbursement

Another Milestone in the Recovery Process

There's always something rewarding about seeing a homeowner receive their reimbursement check. This quarter, a Transform386 applicant received more than \$60,000 through the Reimbursement Pathway for eligible repairs already completed on their home following Hurricane Ian.

Projects Coordinator Sean MacDonald joined the recipient to celebrate this important step in their recovery. This is just one of many milestones worth celebrating; to date, Transform386 has disbursed more than 150 reimbursement checks to homeowners throughout Volusia County.

We're always happy to see this funding make a meaningful difference in the recovery of Volusia County homeowners!



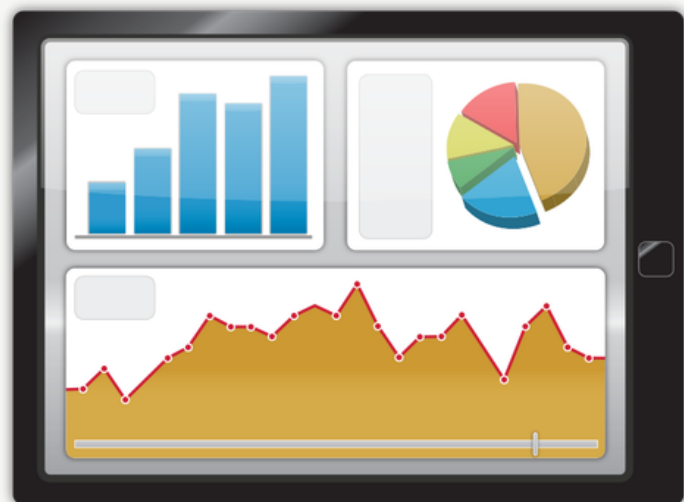
WHAT'S NEW

Explore the Volusia Stormwater Resilience Dashboard!

Volusia County's interactive Stormwater Resilience Dashboard makes it easier to explore projects and studies underway to reduce flood risks, improve drainage, and strengthen stormwater infrastructure throughout the county.

Developed in collaboration with Volusia County's 16 municipalities, the dashboard provides detailed information on stormwater infrastructure projects, watershed studies, and maintenance activities. Visitors can select individual projects to learn more about their location, scope, funding, status, and more.

The dashboard currently features projects funded through Transform386's Infrastructure & Mitigation Program, with additional stormwater and flood mitigation projects that are not funded by Transform386 planned to be added in the future.



[Explore the Stormwater Resilience Dashboard](#)

Infrastructure

Breaking Ground at Corbin Park

On May 20, Volusia County officials joined representatives from the City of New Smyrna Beach, community members, and project partners to celebrate the start of construction on the Corbin Park Stormwater Improvement Project, marking a significant step in ongoing efforts to strengthen stormwater infrastructure and reduce flooding impacts in the area. The nearly \$7 million project is designed to improve how

stormwater moves through the Corbin Park area during heavy rainfall events, helping reduce localized flooding and provide long-term benefits for nearby neighborhoods and surrounding infrastructure. Project improvements include new underground stormwater pipes and drainage structures designed to better collect and redirect stormwater before it accumulates in streets and surrounding areas.



Key Turnover Events

Take a look at some of our recently completed Homeowner Recovery Projects.



Front view of a recently completed single-family reconstruction project.



Homeowner proudly receives keys after successful mobile home replacement.



Homeowner stands outside their newly repaired home celebrating completion.



Residents gather in front of their new mobile home with Tayler Lanoue from LEMOINE marking project completion.

Did you know?

Completed construction doesn't mean support ends. Homeowners can submit a Warranty Request Form online to report covered construction concerns. Providing a detailed description and photos helps our team respond more quickly. [View the Form Here.](#)

"The future depends on what you do today."

— Mahatma Gandhi

Apply for Assistance!



Residents seeking assistance are encouraged to apply if they had damage from Hurricane Ian or Milton. Please share this information with friends, family, and neighbors who may qualify. Eligibility requirements are listed on our website and through the above QR code. Submit your application today!



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