

Dear Town of Jupiter Resident or Business Owner,

Of all the natural hazards that our community faces, none is more common or more significant than flooding. Similar to other communities in South Florida, portions of the Town of Jupiter are especially prone to flood conditions because of the region's significant rainfall and low-lying areas. Even though some properties are not designated as high-risk flood areas, they can still be vulnerable to a flood hazard. In fact, nearly 25% of flood insurance claims come from areas designated as moderate-to low-risk. These are facts you should consider when making a decision about purchasing flood insurance.

Just a few inches of water can cost thousands of dollars in damage to walls, floors, furniture, carpets, and appliances. This kind of damage resulting from rising waters is typically not covered by homeowner's or renter's insurance policies. Fortunately, flood insurance for buildings and contents is available to both property owners and renters.

You may be under the impression that flood insurance is too expensive to consider adding to your policy, but the cost depends on your flood risk. The Town of Jupiter participates in a program that provides a 25% reduction in flood insurance premiums for policy holders in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA). Flood insurance policy holders that are not located in a SFHA receive a 10% discount. Ask your insurance agent about these discounts, and look for these discounts on your flood insurance policy invoice.

If you do not already have it, we would like to encourage you to consider flood insurance for your property as you prepare for this year's hurricane season.

To find out more about flood insurance for your home or building and its contents, contact your insurance agent. Additional information is available at the **FloodSmart.gov** website. You can also contact the Jupiter Building Department by calling **561-741-2286** for special flood hazard information.

Visit the Town of Jupiter's Hurricane and Flood Info webpage at **www.jupiter.fl.us/Storm**, which serves as a "one-stop" storm information source for residents and business owners, and connect with the Town on Facebook (@TownofJupiter), Twitter (@TownofJupiter), and Instagram (@TownofJupiterFL).

Sincerely,

Todd Wodraska

Mayor