

HURRICANE IAN RESPONSE & RECOVERY

“Allows FSBIT Members to Recover Quicker, Build-Back Stronger & Focus on Serving Educational Needs”



“Eliminates the Risks or Headaches associated with Repair Contracts, Invoices and the Financial Burden in having to seek Insurance Reimbursements”

“Promotes Accurate Damage Assessment & Expedited Scope Development for Timely Coverage Review & Approval”

“Contractors are Procured in Accordance with Districts’ Guidance and are Paid Directly for Upfront Material Deposits and Work Invoices”



The Florida School Board Insurance Trust (FSBIT) is your support team in times of crisis. Not only issuing emergency funds after an insured loss, but also being the boots-on-the-ground to help your District resume school day activities as quickly as possible. In response to the diverse property damage recovery needs of its Members, FSBIT has partnered with SynergyNDS to provide access to the Emergency AdvantageSM Program as a one-stop solution to assist with the two phases of recovery (Critical Response and Permanent Build-Back). As an Insurance Managed Repair Program (IMRP), FDEM recognizes Emergency AdvantageSM as a viable program to help bridge the gap between Insurance & applicable FEMA Public Assistance.

Critical Response & Stabilization Phase

Timely response to stabilize property and accurately identify damages greatly reduces recovery costs and maximizes overall claim coverage eligibility. Working under the guidance of FSBIT and in cooperation with Districts’ Staff, Emergency AdvantageSM helps support the initial response necessary to:

- ✓ Identify Damages & Critical Path
- ✓ Support Stabilization Measures
- ✓ Ensure Effective Mitigation Efforts
- ✓ Document Daily Activities
- ✓ Pay Contractor Deposits & Final Invoices
- ✓ Prepare for Repairs &/or Build-Back

Permanent Repairs & Build-Back Phase

Once damaged property has been successfully secured, stabilized and mitigated, FSBIT provides Members with additional access to the Emergency AdvantageSM Program. This additional elected phase of service provides Members with a more structured and long-term approach to assist with permanent repairs & build-back, including:

- ✓ Design/Build
- ✓ Scope Development
- ✓ Procurement & Awards
- ✓ On-site Project Management
- ✓ Contractor Audits & Payments
- ✓ Project Documentation & Close-Out

Under both phased portions of Emergency AdvantageSM, scopes-of-work are identified and approved in advance by FSBIT. Contractors are procured by SynergyNDS in accordance with Member’s guidance and are paid directly for upfront material deposits and final work invoices. Throughout repairs, Contractor performance and trade schedules are managed daily by an onsite Program Manager who reports directly to designated Members’ staff and FSBIT Claims Team. In turn, all information is also shared with FDEM/FEMA in efforts to better coordinate and meet eligible Public Assistance Funding Opportunities.

Essentially, Members electing to utilize Emergency AdvantageSM are indemnified from the exposure of contractual matters, quality control, builder risk, and any costs that would fall outside of applicable Insurance Proceeds. Emergency AdvantageSM provides FSBIT Members peace of mind specific to their scheduled property during an already arduous time; allowing them to focus on serving their educational needs.