

For Immediate Release

Collier Comes Together Hurricane Fund Reactivated to Assist Hurricane Ian Victims

(NAPLES, FL – September 27, 2022) – The Collier Community Foundation has reactivated its Collier Comes Together Hurricane Fund to assist Hurricane Ian victims. Activation of the fund allows CCF to act quickly to ensure immediate aid is provided where needed most. *100% of donations are distributed to area nonprofits serving victims and their families without administrative fees.*

The fund's purpose is to assist those affected and the nonprofits that support the victims in the aftermath of a crisis. It also serves to assure donors' support will reach its intended cause. *Fraudulent sites pop up following a disaster or emergency that mislead donors about where their funds will go.* Any funds not used for Hurricane Ian relief will be returned to the Your passion. Your Collier. Crisis & Disaster Relief Fund to ensure the Collier Community Foundation is prepared for future events that affect our community.

As the Community Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, donations are tax-deductible. The Foundation takes no administrative fees for this community service.

To donate online to the Disaster Relief Fund, visit colliercf.org, or mail checks to the Collier Community Foundation at 1110 Pine Ridge Road, Suite 200, Naples, FL 34108. Please note Hurricane Fund in the memo line. You may also designate if you would like funds to go to Collier, Lee or Charlotte counties, which have all been devastated by this storm.

"The Collier Community Foundation is the proven philanthropic first responder. We have been here to provide our community with over \$4 million in relief grants due to Hurricane Irma, red tide, wildfires, and COVID-19," said Eileen Connolly-Keesler, Collier Community Foundation President & CEO. "Our community's generosity allows us to come to the aid of those most in need and will carry us through to a quick and strong recovery."

About the Collier Community Foundation:

The Community Foundation of Collier County, DBA Collier Community Foundation™, is a tax-exempt, public, charitable organization established in 1985 to increase and focus on local private philanthropy. Today, the Collier Community Foundation manages more than 850 funds, works with hundreds of nonprofits, holds over \$247 million in assets, and has distributed over \$268 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, community programs, and scholarships, over \$43.1 million in the past fiscal year. The Collier Community Foundation is one of Florida's fastest-growing community foundations. Informed giving. Powerful results™. Learn more at colliercf.org or call 239-649-5000.