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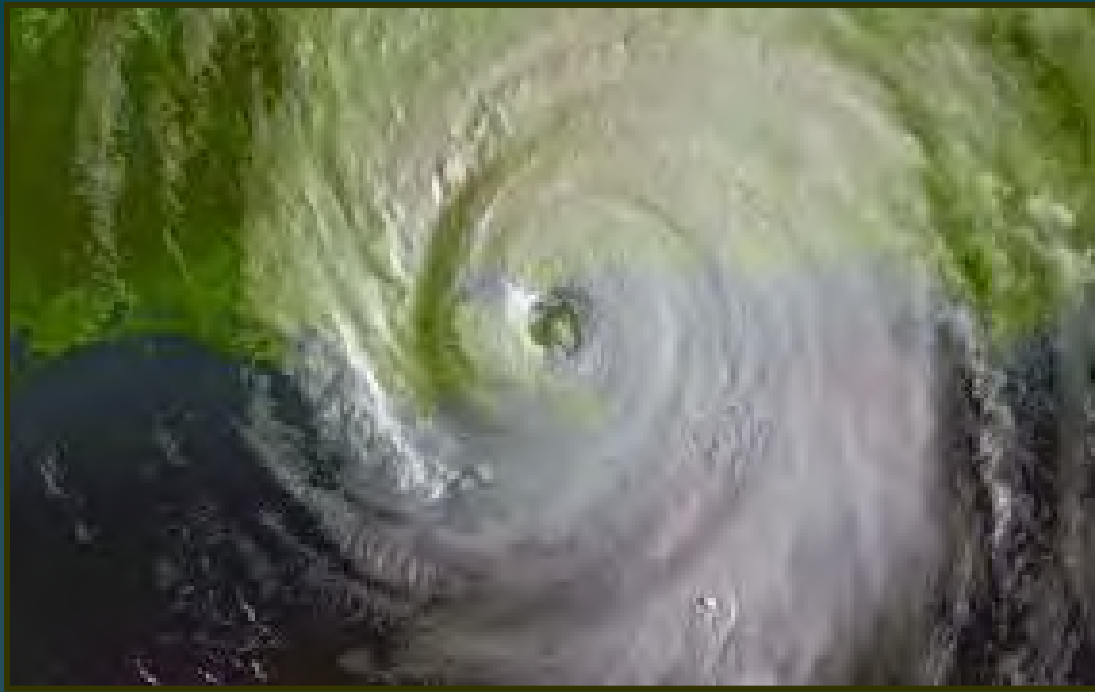


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Katrina & the Oil Spill



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The Tragedies...



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The Tragedies... and the Triumphs



Help! But we're not a member of the US Chamber, IEDC, ACCE...even so, they came, sent money, gave us technical assistance.



After Katrina

After the Oil Spill
there is a need
for technical
assistance



RE- ESTABLISH the BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER



The Hancock Chamber has been around since 1925. Why do we need to start a 501 (c) 3 now?



**We are a Chamber.
We are NOT in the housing business.
We are now!**



We are the Chamber.

Why are we pushing tourism initiatives?

**Don't sit around and wait for
someone else to lead the charge.**



DEVELOP THE PRODUCT: 43 Miles of Roadway in Hancock County Provide the Gateway to the Mississippi Coast

Federal Highway Administration Grant
State Tourism Grant
Private Donors



Scenic By-ways to
INFINITY & Beyond

INFINITY Science Center Opening April 2012





100 Men Hall is one of 20 community development funds the Chamber supports through the non profit Foundation.



**We are the Chamber.
We're not a bank.
We are now.**

**Create access to
capital:
JOB GENERATION
FUND &
CDFI**





Why don't we have a
downtown
revitalization
program?
The Chamber could
start one...





The Chamber secured grants from the Forestry Commission to plant trees along major corridors.



The Bay St. Louis Second Saturday Artwalk attracts thousands to the town each year...





**Thanks,
Y'all.**



**Habitat for Humanity is the
largest builder in our county,
making a tremendous
economic impact .**



Insurance continues to plague our full recovery.

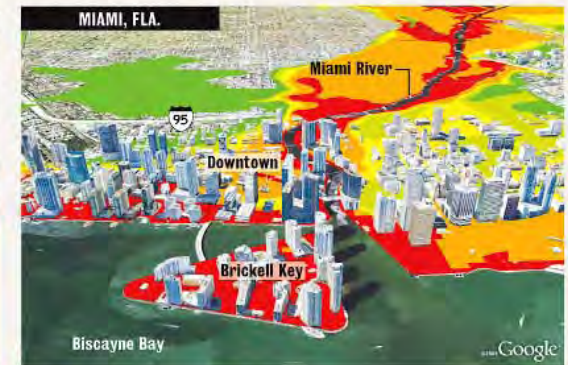
Because...
no place on this planet is completely secure, although we will always wish for that.

According to the N.O. Times-Picayune, a 2010 study by First American Corp., shows that a Cat. 1 storm could flood much of lower Manhattan, including Wall Street.

The article also points out that (adjusting for 2005 dollars) the great Miami Hurricane of 1926 still ranks first in terms of damage. The tidal surge for that storm was 15 ft.

A SURGE IN RISK

New study shows New Orleans not alone in risk to homes from storm surge:



INUNDATION KEY: ■ Category 1 ■ Category 2 ■ Category 3 ■ Category 4 ■ Category 5

City/metro area	RISK FACTORS			CATEGORY 1 STORM		CATEGORY 5 STORM	
	Hurricane probability	Storm surge probability	Residential density	Financial exposure	Homes affected	Financial exposure	Homes affected
Miami-Dade/Broward/Palm Beach, Fla.	Extreme	High	Extreme	\$19.8 billion	55,368	\$53.6 billion	254,864
Virginia Beach/Norfolk/Newport News, Va.	Medium	High	Medium	\$7.4 billion	39,175	\$39.5 billion	250,254
Tampa/St. Petersburg, Fla.	Extreme	High	High	\$9.4 billion	50,294	\$33 billion	244,016
Houston/Galveston, Texas	Extreme	Extreme	High	\$2.1 billion	18,812	\$20.8 billion	191,709
Charleston, S.C.	Medium	High	Medium	\$8.7 billion	39,156	\$19.9 billion	101,288
New Orleans	High	Extreme	Medium	\$16.6 billion*	85,600	\$17.5 billion	91,487
Jacksonville, Fla.	Extreme	High	High	\$2.3 billion	9,358	\$16.5 billion	106,698
Long Island, N.Y.	Low	Medium	Extreme	\$3.1 billion	95,456	\$11 billion**	367,773
Wilmington, N.C.	Medium	High	Medium	\$1.7 billion	6,917	\$8.2 billion	43,282
Myrtle Beach, S.C.	Medium	High	Medium	\$1.4 billion	8,164	\$6.2 billion	52,278
Corpus Christi, Texas	Extreme	High	Medium	\$828 million	5,274	\$4.7 billion	38,506
South Padre/Brownsville, Texas	Extreme	High	Low	\$183 million	984	\$1.7 billion	24,459
Gulf Shores, Ala.	High	High	Medium	\$932 million	5,485	\$1.2 billion	7,098

*New Orleans data not updated for 100-year hurricane protection system improvements

**Numbers based on Category 4 hurricanes. Assumes Long Island not at risk from a Category 5 hurricane