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Company Claims Its Buildings Are Hurricane-Proof

Procacci Developments Says Buildings Can Handle A Cat-5 Storm

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A South Florida company says its buildings are hurricane-proof, and it says it can prove it.

Procacci Development Corporation claims the Crossroads at Dolphin Commerce Center in Miami can handle objects flying 185 mph, also the wind and rain associated with a major storm.

"Built Procacci strong," says Debra Kremblas, a Procacci vice president. She says the buildings have three-inch solid concrete roofs, high-impact windows and backup generators with a 20-day supply of fuel.

Air conditioners, typically on the roof, are housed in a separate building with an enclosed roof, keeping the roof intact during a storm and allowing businesses to get up and running quickly after a storm.

Keiser University officials think that's a good idea. They opened a campus at Crossroads in April.
"The most important thing is providing the students a place to learn, even if we have a hurricane, or two, or three," said Dr. Arthur Keiser.

He says space at Crossroads costs about the same as other buildings they looked at.

"It's still competitive, still provides us the security that we really need," he said.

Zurich Services Corporation, a risk management and insurance company, has awarded the office complex the "Highly Protected Wind Risk Rating."

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