



Cornerstone Homebuyers Expands "Sell Fire Damaged House" Service Across Florida As Residential Fires Average 358,300 Annually

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Cornerstone Homebuyers has expanded its "Sell Fire Damaged House" service to address the growing need for fire-damaged property solutions throughout Florida's four major regions. The Miami-based real estate consultant and property investment company provides cash offers for houses damaged by fire, smoke, and water from firefighting efforts, regardless of repair requirements.

An estimated 358,500 residential fires occur annually across the United States, resulting in \$11.1 billion in property damage each year, according to data from the National Fire Protection Association. Cooking accounts for 48.7% of all residential fires, followed by unintentional causes at 9.2%, heating equipment at 8.1%, and electrical malfunction at 6.9%, according to 2023 FEMA statistics. In 2023, residential electrical malfunction fires increased by 2%, while dollar losses rose 28% over the previous decade.

Florida homeowners face particular challenges with fire-damaged properties, as traditional buyers typically

require homes to meet standard condition requirements. Houses with fire damage, structural issues from heat exposure, smoke contamination, or water damage from suppression efforts may face extended market times or require costly repairs before conventional sale.

"Florida homeowners dealing with a fire damaged home face a complex situation that extends beyond the immediate structural concerns," said Ellie Verdura, Founder and CEO of Cornerstone Homebuyers. "Insurance claim settlements, repair cost estimates, code compliance requirements, and disclosure obligations create layers of complexity. Cornerstone Homebuyers buys houses in as is condition, so our fire damage service addresses these challenges."

The company's fire damage service eliminates requirements for property repairs, code compliance work, or restoration before sale. Cornerstone Homebuyers, which celebrated 16 years in business earlier this year, handles properties with partial fire damage, smoke contamination, water damage from firefighting, structural concerns, electrical system damage, and code violations resulting from fire incidents.

Fire damage restoration costs range from \$3,107 to \$51,243 nationally, with an average cost of \$27,175, according to data compiled by home services platform Angi. Kitchen fires, which account for approximately 50% of residential fire claims, often result in extensive smoke damage throughout homes even when flames remain contained. Electrical fires, representing 6.9% of residential fires, tend to cause the most severe structural damage due to hidden wiring issues that may compromise building integrity.

The fire damage service operates throughout Florida's four major regions including but not limited to: South Florida (Miami, Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach), Central Florida (Orlando, Tampa, Kissimmee), Southwest Florida (Naples, Fort Myers, Sarasota), and North Florida (Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Gainesville). The company provides cash offers regardless of fire severity, insurance claim status, or repair requirements.

"We typically close in 7-21 days, which may eliminate the need to coordinate contractors, manage repair timelines, and maintain insurance on damaged property," said Verdura. "For homeowners facing displacement, ongoing utility costs on damaged property, or pressure to resolve probate or estate situations involving fire damage, the ability to sell quickly without repair obligations provides a practical solution."

The service addresses several common post-fire challenges Florida homeowners face. Properties with fire damage may experience insurance coverage gaps, particularly when policy limits fall short of full restoration costs. Homeowners managing multiple properties, inherited houses with fire damage, or rental properties damaged by tenant incidents may find traditional sale processes difficult when properties require extensive repairs.

Fire-damaged properties with code violations, permit issues from previous repairs, or structural concerns that developed during fire incidents fall within the company's purchase criteria. The service also handles houses where smoke damage extends beyond visible surfaces into HVAC systems, insulation, or wall cavities, situations that significantly increase restoration complexity and cost.

Florida homeowners can call the company directly or complete a brief web form at the company website with property details and contact information to receive a cash offer. The company's evaluation process accounts for fire damage extent, structural impact, smoke contamination levels, water damage from suppression efforts, code compliance status, and insurance settlement details when determining offer amounts.

The fire damage service complements the company's existing property purchase programs for houses requiring repairs, properties with code violations, and situations requiring quick sales. Cornerstone Homebuyers, established in 2009, has completed over 500 residential property transactions throughout Florida while maintaining an A+ Better Business Bureau rating since 2021.

For Florida homeowners with fire-damaged properties, the cash purchase option provides an alternative to managing restoration contractors, navigating insurance claim processes, or listing damaged houses on the conventional market. The company typically covers standard seller closing costs and works with licensed title companies throughout Florida.

Cornerstone Homebuyers is a Miami-based real estate consultant and property investment company established in 2009. Founded on principles of transparency and market expertise, and as a company that buy houses for cash. The company specializes in direct property purchases, including houses requiring repairs, properties with code violations, inherited homes, and fire-damaged properties. Cornerstone Homebuyers provides cash offers and typically closes transactions in 7-21 days.

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