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### **Galveston County homeowner gets settlement offer increased by \$143,000**

After three fourths of a year waiting on insurance settlements, and delaying the beginning of the rebuilding process, some Hurricane Ike victims are beginning to finally hear some good news bringing hope and encouragement to weary souls.

One Galveston County resident was offered an initial settlement amount of \$58,000 for the wind damage done to his residence by Hurricane Ike. The intense storm made landfall in the early morning hours of September 13, 2008, and has been tagged as the third most costly hurricane in our nation's history. Dissatisfied with the amount he was offered, the owner sought the services of The Public Adjusters to assist him in addressing issues surrounding his claim.

Initially, the homeowner thought his claim should have been in the neighborhood of \$80 - \$100,000. "I was out of my league dealing with these adjusters and insurance company executives," said the homeowner, "but I knew what they had offered me was not right. I could not even begin to rebuild my home with that amount of money." The Galveston County resident said he researched the available personnel and firms that could help him and chose The Public Adjusters based on their excellent track record in previous disasters. "The Public Adjusters has a 100 percent success rate in re-opening and dealing with these types of claims."

The Public Adjusters reviewed all pertinent facts and found hidden damages that had not been included. "Several additional areas of the structure had sustained damages," said Kenneth Browne, P.A., and chief operations officer of The Public Adjusters. "A complete inspection made of the property, along with the insurance company's representative, brought these items into discussion." Because of intense training, years of experience, and diligent attention to detail, The Public Adjusters was pleased to be able to increase the settlement offer to \$201,000, thus making it possible for this family to rebuild their home and return to their normal standard of living.

People affected by Hurricane Ike still have time to go after additional money from insurance companies. In the state of Texas, people have two years to file a supplemental claim for damages.

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