During Hurricane Irma, our CAP airplane had been safely evacuated to Georgia, but our CAP hangar at Marco Island Executive Airport, where we normally house our airplane, was totally destroyed. The good news is that our office and meeting sections of the facility had only minor damage and have been approved for use, but restoring the hangar is, obviously, a top priority.

Over the years we had built up a reserve fund for facility maintenance and improvements, but the extent of this damage far exceeds our available funds. Already we have expended funds to clean up the debris and remove the destroyed hangar section of the building. We have a claim in with FEMA, and they have been very helpful and cooperative. We do expect grant funds and are awaiting a response from their review. Unfortunately, the most we can expect will be 75%.

As you can see, this year we need your help more than ever, not only to help with the hangar rebuild, but also to provide continued support for the operations of the Squadron and to assist in replenishing our reserve account for building maintenance and upkeep.

Since 1981, the Marco Island Civil Air Patrol Squadron has been a valued resource serving Marco Island, the Ten Thousand Islands, Collier County, and Southwest Florida by providing coastal patrol surveillance and monitoring, search & rescue, and disaster assessment. For example, Marco Squadron members participated in photo reconnaissance / damage assessment missions during the BP oil spill, following Hurricanes Matthew and Irma, and also provided an aircrew to Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria. We also perform monthly assistance/training missions in support of Homeland Security.

With your help and support, we plan to continue to serve Southwest Florida for many years to come. Please consider a special contribution for as much as you can afford. We realize all of us are dealing with our own recovery expenses, but any amount you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Please make your check payable to Marco Island Civil Air Patrol, PO Box 225, Marco Island, FL 34146. We ask that if you wish to note your contribution, simply indicate “CAP Donation” on your check.

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Thank you and best regards,

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Please see below the photos of the hangar and some of our 2017 activities.
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