

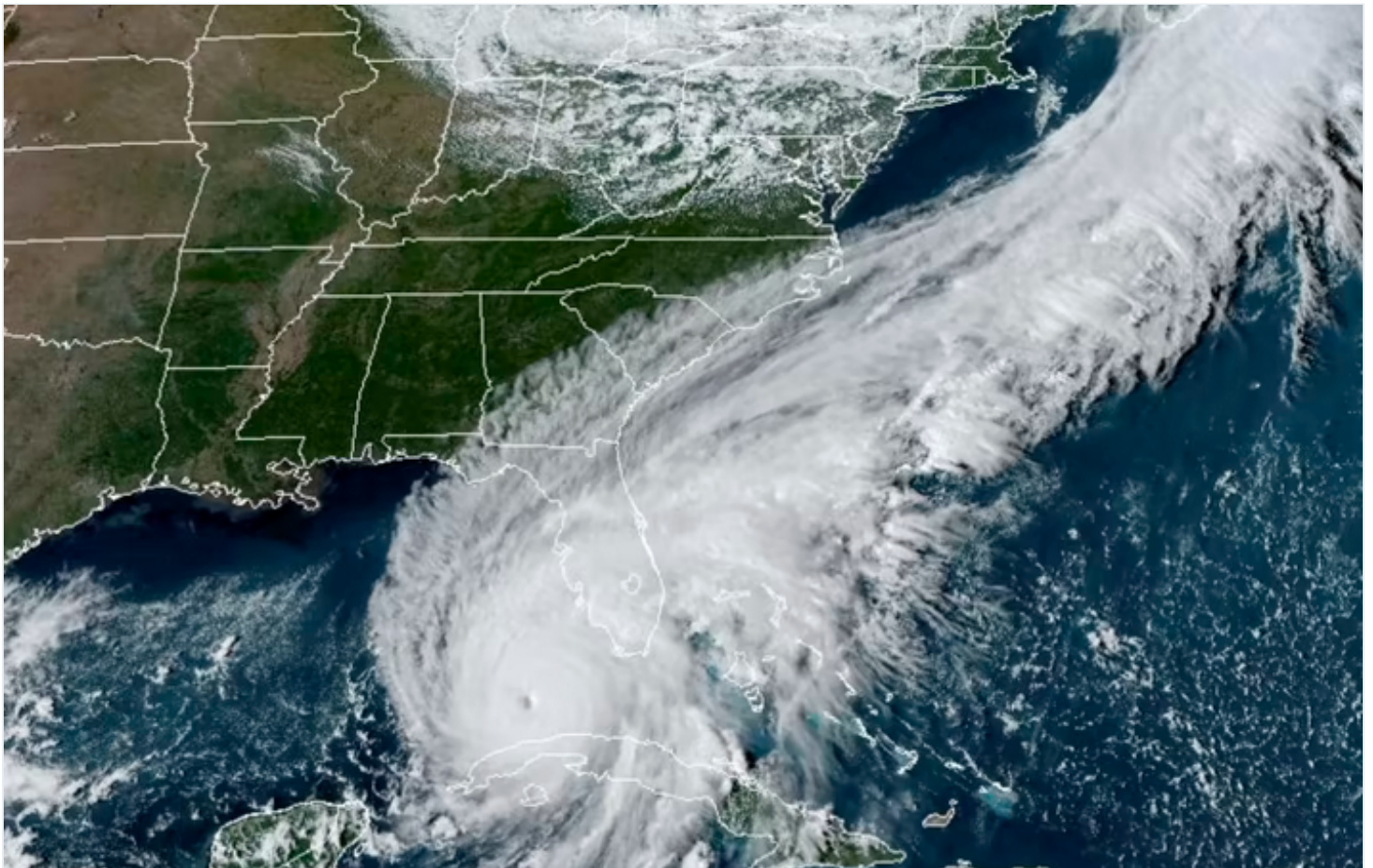
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The firm's donation also will help fund other unmet needs including construction costs for people repairing and rebuilding homes and labor costs for United Way staff assisting people through the recovery process.

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FORVIS, a national accounting and advisory firm, has made a \$500,000 donation to the **United Way of Collier and the Keys** in to support ongoing recovery efforts for those affected by Hurricane Ian on Florida's southwest coast.

The donation from the FORVIS Foundation was formally announced at a grand opening event for the United Way's Disaster Assistance Center. FORVIS' donation is a

“pacesetting” gift that will support operations of the Center, which provides a one-

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leadership and caring culture at FORVIS,” said Steve Sanderson, president and CEO of United Way of Collier and the Keys. “The firm saw a huge need and chose to serve in a big way and make a difference. Hurricane recovery work is done best at the local level. FORVIS leaders have demonstrated that they understand the United Way and its partners are here today and for the long-haul to immediately mobilize, respond, recover, and rebuild lives impacted by the storm.”

The donation from FORVIS came about following a firm meeting that was held in the Naples area last fall, just weeks after Ian hit the area. FORVIS leaders participated in service projects with the United Way and felt compelled to do more to help recovery efforts. That led to an impromptu charity auction during the meeting, followed by additional contributions from across the firm to support the donation.

“We are proud to support the ongoing relief efforts and the vital work being done each day by the United Way and its partner agencies in the region,” said Matt Snow, chairman of FORVIS’ Governing Board. “Full recovery takes time and goes on well after the national spotlight may have moved on. This donation is a testament to our people—they recognized the need to give back and stepped up in a bold way.”

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