

Old Lives Matter

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Merritt Island Senior Housing Crisis

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Are you aware of what's happening in MI?

Marella Bay, Costa Vue, Addison Cove, Marina Isle

This is what they are calling all the large low income apartment complexes in Central Merritt Island. They have been recently taken over or bought, a very difficult trail of information to follow, by a large group from Lakewood, NJ called Opus Management. They have bought Courtenay Palms, Baxley Manor, Country Club Apartments and more. All zoned as "low income housing/apartments" per the Brevard County Public Appraiser site . While some residents may view this as a good thing assuming the properties will be cleaned up or crime may be decreased in those areas I would like to show a different perspective that is quickly becoming reality in Merritt Island.

We do have a wonderful Senior Resource in Brevard called Senior 202 Housing, it has a 5 year waiting list. It would be nice if someone could get the same kind of benefits in that program to apply to all senior citizens on fixed incomes no matter where they live. Rent is fixed and income based, utilities are covered, some even provide one meal and transportation. There are only 6 buildings in the county.

What Can You Do?

SPEAK UP! To anyone and everyone you know. It is my personal belief after reaching out to several local government people that this is a problem only Governor DeSantis can fix. Regardless of your party affiliation he is our current Governor and at the level to cut through red tape and get something done. These people cannot keep waiting, they are being evicted daily. There are 1502 units in these apartments combined. Imagine how many will be out on our streets over the next few months. If you haven't seen the huge piles of trash near these apartments, go drive by some day. They are a result of mass evictions. The Governor's site gives out multiple ways of contacting him:

Governor DeSantis email: <https://www.flgov.com/email-the-governor/>

Governor DeSantis phone number: 850-717-9337, option 1 gets you a live person

Governor DeSantis Twitter address: **Twitter @GovRonDeSantis.**

I personally have also tried to contact the following Investigative Reporters:

Mike Holfeld - Channel 6- 407-521-1322

Name	Address	\$\$\$	BD	Sq. Ft.	Sale	Owner	Sale \$	# of Units	Owner address
Apollo Landings	102 Court St 32780	1445-1545	1-2	715-900	2022	Apollo I,II,III LLC	15.113	132	15 America Ave 301, Lakewood NJ
Ascend 3650	3650 Rio Terrace 32780	1395-1550	1-2	752-1072	2022	Apollo I,II,III LLC	15.118	42	15 America Ave 301, Lakewood NJ
Avana Blu	211 Caroline St CC	1375	0-1	???	2012	Palms East of CC, LLC	1.178	216	211 Caroline St CC
Harbor Blu	200 Chandler St CC	1375-1500	0-2	600-800	2005	Oceanside Treasure LLC	6.052	180	211 Caroline St CC
Marina Isle	225 Ligustrum Lane 32953	1150-1350	1-3	580-820	2005	MI Garden Apt LLC	\$2.8	100	211 Caroline St CC
Costa Vue	1155 N Courtenay 32953	1025-1325	0-2	600-900	2002	Country Club Apts LLC	\$4.5	241	211 Caroline St CC
Addison Cove	630 Kurek Ct 32953	1025-1225	0-1	375-575	2014	Baxley Manor LLC	\$3.25	190	211 Caroline St. CC
Marella Bay	700 N Courtenay Pkwy 32953	1025-1495	0-3	400-1300	2007	Courtenay Palms LLC	\$5.1	401	1155 N Courtenay
Owner Name	Mailing Address	Registered Agent		Date Changed		Properties			
Apollo I, II, III, LLC	Unable to find	Unable to find				Apollo Landing, Ascend 3650			
Palms East of CC LLC	1415 N Atlantic Ave, CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Avana Blu			
Oceanside Treasure LLC	1415 N. Atlantic Ave, CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Harbor Blu			
MI Garden Apartment LLC	1415 N. Atlantic Ave, CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Marina Isle			
Country Club Apartments, LLC	1415 N. Atlantic Ave. CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Costa Vue			
Baxley Manor, LLC	1415 N Atlantic Ave, CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Addison Cove			
Courtenay Palms, LLC	1415 N Atlantic Ave, CB	Jeffery Wells		3/23/23		Marella Bay			

Comparison: Marella Bay and Sister Properties 4/6/23 T. Graf, RN

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