Learn more about elevating your home to protect it from flood waters.
4 Tips You Need to Know about Elevating Your Home to Protect it from Floodwaters

1. Elevating your home to protect it from floodwaters should be one of the highest priorities you have to make your home more storm resistant, especially if your home has been harmed by flood water or you live in a low-lying area of Louisiana.

2. Elevating your home will be required by your community’s building codes (1) if your home is in the mapped Special Flood Hazard Area and (2) if it is damaged by any cause (not just a flood) and the cost of repairing it is more than 50% of the market value of the house. This is called “substantial damage.”

3. If you have flood insurance and are substantially damaged by a flood, your flood insurance policy can provide up to $30,000 toward the cost of elevating the building.

4. In addition, you should contact your city’s or parish’s floodplain management office to learn if other federal funds are available, if you qualify and if so how to apply.

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