🌊 Lee's Sheffield D Safety Shield! 🌊

Lee Hunt here! I wanted to share exactly why we've put together this "Water Prevention Playbook." Think of these steps as a Safety Shield for your home.

In a condominium, we are all connected—if one unit has a leak, it can quickly affect the neighbors below and to the side. By following this simple plan, we are doing three big things:

1. Stopping Problems Before They Start: By catching a "cranky" old valve or an aging water heater early, we avoid the mess and stress of a flood.
2. Putting You in Control: We are installing special valves so you can turn off your own water easily without needing to call a plumber or pay a $70 fee.
3. Saving Money: We have had zero water damage claims since 2009, when I took over as president. To give you some perspective, prior to 2009, we had three water damage claims in just two years, totaling $17,500! This proves that these proactive water prevention measures work—and they work really well.

Preventing water damage helps keep our insurance rates stable and protects the value of your beautiful home. It's always great to have a checklist to go by, and I've given you several ideas on how to do that! It's all about looking out for one another and making sure Sheffield D remains a safe, dry, and happy place to live.

🛠️ The Sheffield D Water Prevention Playbook

Priority	Action Step	The Details
01	The Grand Inspection	A detailed plumbing walkthrough of every unit, covering hot and cold shutoffs for all sinks, toilet tanks, and water heaters.
02	"Smart" Alarms	Installing budget-friendly water alarms under every sink, next to water heaters, and under every toilet tank shut-off valve.
03	Owner Empowerment	Installing owner-controlled shut-off valves outside each door. This means you can cut the water in a heartbeat—no waiting for the water company and no $70 service fees!

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04	The "2-Day" Rule	Regular notifications during annual meetings about our policy: If you're heading out for more than two days, just flip that external shut-off valve to "Off" for total peace of mind.
05	Official Resolution	We've established a formal policy through a resolution that clearly outlines every step needed for community-wide water damage prevention.
06	The Power Check	Annual checks for all alarms and batteries to ensure they're always ready to "beep" into action.
07	Stay in the Loop	Regular "drip-feeds" of info and reminders through Board meetings, annual meetings, and emails throughout the year.

I've been diving deep into our "wellness" strategy, and I want to share a cheerful update on how we're keeping Sheffield D the most water-wise and worry-free spot on the map. We've been gathering some fantastic resources to help everyone stay high and dry! Want proof? No water damage claims since 2009. It really works!

Here's the "Fun-Sized" version of our proactive plan:

- The Condo Spa Treatment: We're looking at home maintenance like a spa day! We've got guides on keeping everything from your AC drain lines to your water heater in "tip-top" shape.
- Valve Victory: We're saying goodbye to those old, cranky "gate" valves and moving toward smooth "quarter-turn" ball valves. It's all about making safety as easy as a flick of the wrist!
- The Stainless-Steel Standard: To keep things "braided and beautiful," we're recommending a 5-year swap for supply lines. Think of it as a fresh pair of laces for your home's plumbing.
- The 10-Point Power List: We've got a super-simple annual checklist that covers the "Top 10" ways to keep your home happy—from cleaning balcony drains to checking your electrical panel for a "sparkling" performance.
- Pro-Level Peace of Mind: We're working with the pros (licensed plumbers!) to make sure our inspections are thorough and expert, protecting your slice of paradise and your neighbors' too.

By staying proactive, we're turning potential "uh-ohs" into "no-problems!"