



## Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance COMMITTEE REPORT

**Committee Name:** Data Collection and Analysis

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**Committee's Mission Statement:** Identify and evaluate the effectiveness of existing data sources focusing on housing issues in Miami-Dade County. If necessary, further research will be conducted to reframe the context of the housing shortage in Miami-Dade County. Respond to data requests from CAHSA committees.

**Issue 1:** Relevant data and statistical information should be easily accessible.

**ACTION ITEMS (for submittal to CAHSA Task Force):** It is recommended that the Housing Data Clearinghouse web page be continued. This clearinghouse web page should act as a one-stop center for all housing data.

**Issue 2:** Collection and Maintenance of Data:

**Action Items (for submittal to CAHSA Task Force):** The collection and maintenance of such data should continue to be the responsibility of the Research Section of the Department of Planning and Zoning.

The following data collection procedures are recommended:

- A. Current and historical housing socio-economic characteristics information from the U.S. Census (conditions, tenure, etc.) and its updates (i.e. The American Community Survey) should continue to be generated, maintained and be made available through the Housing Data Clearinghouse web site.
- B. In order to monitor where housing growth is taking place, data obtained from impact fees should be tabulated and presented quarterly.

The information on impact fees provides a more accurate measure of the possibility of the actual construction of a proposed project compared to building permits. The payment of impact fee shows the commitment of the developer to build the project

- C. Residential sales data from the Property Appraiser's files, as well data from the Florida Association of Realtors, should be tabulated and presented quarterly.
- D. Information on the amount and location of government-assisted housing (tables and maps) should be generated and made available bi-annually.
- E. Links to other information sources (i.e. national and local research centers, non-profits, etc.) should be included in the Housing Data Clearinghouse web page and updated regularly. This could include reports and studies with solutions to housing affordability issues.