

**Miami-Dade County**

**SHIP LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN (LHAP)**

**2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025**

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**I. Program Details:**

**A. LG(s)**

Name of Local Government	Miami-Dade County, Florida
Does this LHAP contain an interlocal agreement?	No
If yes, name of other local government(s)	N/A

**B. Purpose of the program:**

1. To meet the housing needs of the very low, low and moderate-income households;
2. To expand production of and preserve affordable housing; and
3. To further the housing element of the local government comprehensive plan specific to affordable housing.

**C. Fiscal years covered by the Plan: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025**

**D. Governance:** The SHIP Program is established in accordance with Section 420.907-9079, Florida Statutes and Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code. Cities and Counties must be in compliance with these applicable statutes, rules and any additional requirements as established through the Legislative process.

**E. Local Housing Partnership:** The SHIP Program encourages building active partnerships between government, lending institutions, builders and developers, not-for-profit and community-based housing providers and service organizations, providers of professional services related to affordable housing, advocates for low-income persons, real estate professionals, persons or entities that can provide housing or support services and lead agencies of the local continuums of care.

Through administration of the SHIP, Federal and local Documentary Surtax programs, Miami-Dade County partners with affordable housing developers to increase affordable housing stock. Special consideration is made for developers who incorporate sustainable, green initiatives within the design. Miami-Dade County has developed partnerships with area lenders to encourage lending to very-low, low-income and moderate-income homebuyers.

The County has contracted with several homebuyer counseling entities that provide pre-homebuyer counseling, budgeting, and money management services. Completion of a homebuyer counseling program is a homeownership requirement of the Miami-Dade Affordable Housing Program. Additionally, the County requires foreclosure prevention that provides post-homebuyer counseling for new homeowners. These programs can work in conjunction with lenders to purchase the loan in the event of default or in the alternative, serve to bring homebuyers current in their outstanding debt. In that way, the County can protect its investment in the property, and perhaps restructure the loan to fit the homeowner's financial situation.

**F. Leveraging:** The Plan is intended to increase the availability of affordable residential units by combining local resources and cost saving measures into a local housing partnership and using public and private funds to reduce the

cost of housing. SHIP funds may be leveraged with or used to supplement other Florida Housing Finance Corporation programs and to provide local match to obtain federal housing grants or programs.

Miami-Dade County has developed partnerships with local lenders to leverage SHIP funds successfully. The County provides subordinate mortgage financing on behalf of the homebuyer that makes up the difference between what the banks lend and the property's purchase price. Participating lenders have also agreed to limit the cost of the loan to the homebuyer. The County meets regularly with lenders and their staff to keep them abreast of program guidelines and loan processes. In specific cases, the County will provide additional mortgages to supplement the loan as needed on a case by case basis.

Through extensive coordination with other community resources, local SHIP funds are highly leveraged to reduce the cost of housing. For example, first mortgage funding is provided by participating lenders, while SHIP funds are being utilized for subordinate mortgages or additional supplements with lower interest rates. This results in lower monthly payments with a combined lower interest rate. Also, local SHIP funds have been used in addition to local, state and federal housing dollars for multi-family developments and for providing housing to special needs and homeless populations. Miami-Dade County may provide construction loans to CDC's and private developers with the goal of developing the affordable housing stock of Miami-Dade County. Moreover, SHIP loans are used to fund private developers with the goal of preserving and maintaining our existing affordable housing stock. Loans are available for both homeownership and rental projects, as well as rehabilitation of the existing housing stock. The rate and term of each loan will vary in accordance with the funding source availability and the respective program restrictions.

- G. Public Input:** Public input was solicited through face to face meetings with housing providers, social service providers and local lenders and neighborhood associations. Public input was solicited through the local newspaper in the advertising of the Local Housing Assistance Plan and the Notice of Funding Availability.

Public Housing and Community Development solicits input for the development of the Local Housing

Assistance Plan primarily through one-on-one meetings with Private Developers, Community Development Corporation (CDC's), For Profit, Non-Profit Developers, realtors and participating lenders in ascertaining housing needs within the community. These agencies provide extensive comments and made recommendations to Miami-Dade County on both programmatic and implementation issues which resulted in a number of enhancements to the prior year programs.

Pursuant to Ordinance 07-122, the Miami-Dade County Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) consists of fifteen (15) members. The composition of the voting members is required to be ethnically, racially, geographically and gender balanced and is composed of the following members.

1. The Board of County Commissioners appoints thirteen (13) members.
  - a. One citizen actively engaged in the residential home building in connection with affordable housing, one citizen in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing, one citizen in areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing, one citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing, one citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing, one citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing, one citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing, one citizen who actively serves on the local planning agency, one citizen who resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments, one citizen who represents employers within the jurisdiction, and one citizen who represents essential service personnel as defined in this LHAP.

- b. For the remaining two (2) member positions, the Board of County Commissioners may consider the appointment of a member from the construction industry, a local community development corporation, attorney, architect, engineer or planning professional.
2. The Mayor appoints one member who is a member of the construction industry, local community development corporation, attorney, architect, engineer, planning professional.
3. The Overall Tenant Advisory Council (OTAC) appoints one of its members.

The Affordable Housing Advisory Board is required to meet at least six (6) times during the county's fiscal year where the developers and the public have an opportunity to address the Board with their concerns. The proposed Amended LHAP was reviewed with the AHAB on October 11, 2023. In addition, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) has two public meetings that the developers as well as the individuals can attend before the BCC awards funding allocations.

- H. Advertising and Outreach:** SHIP funding availability shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation and periodicals serving ethnic and diverse neighborhoods, at least 30 days before the beginning of the application period. If no funding is available due to a waiting list, no notice of funding availability is required.

Miami-Dade County will advertise fund(s) availability in area newspapers with general circulation, participate in public information programs and housing fairs, make information available on the County's website, and issue public service announcements to the print and broadcast media. To further announce the program's availability, the County distributes informational brochures to the general public and through local community based groups, lenders, and neighborhood organizations.

In addition, the County administers a virtual one-stop housing center which describes available housing assistance programs as well as offers a real-time, searchable listing of affordable homes for rent or purchase. Housing units funded in part by SHIP and other resources must be listed on this web-based housing locator service.

Notice of the competitive process employed to select for-profit and not-for-profit entities for participation in SHIP-funded programs is advertised in three (3) local newspapers, in multiple languages, and on the County's website thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the application period.

- I. Waiting List/Priorities:** A waiting list will be established when there are eligible applicants for strategies that no longer have funding available. Those households on the waiting list will be notified of their status. Applicants will be maintained in an order that is consistent with the time completed applications were submitted as well as any established funding priorities as described in this plan.

All owner-occupied rehabilitation applications are submitted by homeowners to the Community Action and Human Services Department (CAHSD) and placed on a waiting list on a first-qualified, first-served basis. When funds become available applicants are selected from the top of the waiting list. The waiting list is maintained by date of the application submission. Each time a group of applications are selected from the waiting list, processing priority will be given to applicants which are both Elderly and Special Needs, in accordance with F.S.420.901-420.9079.

- J. Discrimination:** In accordance with the provisions of ss.760.20-760.37, it is unlawful to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status in the award application process for eligible housing. Miami-Dade County complies with the Fair Housing Act,

- K. Support Services and Counseling:** Support services are available from various sources. Available support services may include but are not limited to: Homeownership Counseling (Pre and Post), Credit Counseling, Tenant Counseling, Foreclosure Counseling and Transportation.

Miami-Dade County has contracted with several homebuyer counseling entities that provide pre-homebuyer counseling, budgeting, and money management services. Completion of an 8-hour homebuyer counseling program is a homeownership requirement of the Miami-Dade Affordable Housing Program. Miami-Dade County has expanded its counseling services to include foreclosure prevention and mitigation.

- L. Purchase Price Limits:** The sales price or value of new or existing eligible housing may not exceed 90% of the average area purchase price in the statistical area in which the eligible housing is located. Such average area purchase price may be that calculated for any 12-month period beginning not earlier than the fourth calendar year prior to the year in which the award occurs. The sales price of new and existing units, which can be lower but may not exceed 90% of the average area purchase price established by the U.S. Treasury Department or as described above. The methodology used is:

U.S. Treasury Department	X
Local HFA Numbers	

- M. Income Limits, Rent Limits and Affordability:** The Income and Rent Limits used in the SHIP Program are updated annually by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and posted at [www.floridahousing.org](http://www.floridahousing.org).

*“Affordable” means that monthly rents or mortgage payments including taxes and insurance do not exceed 30 percent of that amount which represents the percentage of the median annual gross income for the households as indicated in Sections 420.9071, F.S. However, it is not the intent to limit an individual household’s ability to devote more than 30% of its income for housing, and housing for which a household devotes more than 30% of its income shall be deemed Affordable if the first institutional mortgage lender is satisfied that the household can afford mortgage payments in excess of the 30% benchmark and in the case of rental housing does not exceed those rental limits adjusted for bedroom size.*

- N. Welfare Transition Program:** Should an eligible sponsor be used, a qualification system and selection criteria for applications for Awards to eligible sponsors shall be developed, which includes a description that demonstrates how eligible sponsors that employ personnel from the Welfare Transition Program will be given preference in the selection process.
- O. Monitoring and First Right of Refusal:** In the case of rental housing, the staff and any entity that has administrative authority for implementing the local housing assistance plan assisting rental developments shall annually monitor and determine tenant eligibility or, to the extent another governmental entity provides periodic monitoring and determination, a municipality, county or local housing financing authority may rely on such monitoring and determination of tenant eligibility. However, any loan or grant in the original amount of \$10,000 or less shall not be subject to these annual monitoring and determination of tenant eligibility requirements. Tenant eligibility will be monitored annually for no less than 15 years or the term of assistance whichever is longer unless as specified above. Eligible sponsors that offer rental housing for sale before 15 years or that have remaining mortgages funded under this program must give a first right of refusal to eligible nonprofit organizations for purchase at the current market value for continued occupancy by eligible persons.

Miami-Dade County monitors Developers/Owners for both programmatic and project-related compliance. A Field Officer conducts an annual on-site visit to ensure that proper procedures, tenant files and forms are in accordance with program requirements. In addition, a Housing Inspector will conduct an annual on-site inspection of the assisted units to ensure that they meet Housing Quality Standards (HQS) requirements.

During the monitoring visit, the Field Officer will verify that the maximum monthly rents and the utility allowances charges are consistent with the rental regulatory agreement and revisions thereof. In addition, during the affordability period, the Field Officer will monitor the tenant annual income for compliance with the number of units set aside for the very-low, low and moderate income families as stated in the rental regulatory agreement.

Developers/Owners must conduct an annual on-site inspection for compliance with Federal HQS. Failure to maintain the property as per Federal HQS during the affordability period may result in the County declaring the Developer/Owner in default and calling the Note due and payable.

- P. Administrative Budget:** A line-item budget is attached as Exhibit A. Miami-Dade County finds that the moneys deposited in the local housing assistance trust fund are necessary to administer and implement the local housing assistance plan. The SHIP proceeds repaid to the County will be used by the County for other SHIP assistance.

**Section 420.9075 Florida Statute and Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, states:** “A county or an eligible municipality may not exceed the 5 percent limitation on administrative costs, unless its governing body finds, by resolution, that 5 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income is insufficient to adequately pay the necessary costs of administering the local housing assistance plan.”

**Section 420.9075 Florida Statute and Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, further states:** “The cost of administering the program may not exceed 10 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income deposited into the trust fund, except that small counties, as defined in s. 120.52(19), and eligible municipalities receiving a local housing distribution of up to \$350,000 may use up to 10 percent of program income for administrative costs.” The applicable local jurisdiction has adopted the above findings in the resolution attached as Exhibit E.

- Q. Program Administration:** Administration of the local housing assistance plan will be performed by:

Entity	Duties	Admin. Fee %
Miami-Dade County	All administrative duties	10

- R. First-time Homebuyer Definition:** For any strategies designed for first-time homebuyers, the following definition will apply: *An individual who has had no ownership in a principal residence during the 3-year period ending on the date of purchase of the property. This includes a spouse (if either meets the above test, they are considered first-time homebuyers). A single parent who has only owned a home with a former spouse while married. An individual who is a displaced homemaker and has only owned with a spouse. An individual who has only owned a principal residence not permanently affixed to a permanent foundation in accordance with applicable regulations. An individual who has only owned a property that was not in compliance with state, local or model building codes and which cannot be brought into compliance for less than the cost of constructing a permanent structure.*
- S. Project Delivery Costs:** In addition to the administrative costs listed above, the county will charge a reasonable project delivery cost to cover inspections performed by non-county employees for rehabilitation projects. The fee will not exceed 2% of the contracted SHIP award and will be included in the amount of the recorded mortgage and note.
- T. Essential Service Personnel Definition (ESP):** Essential Service Personnel means emergency personnel, including firefighters, health care workers, teachers/educational, law enforcement, skilled building trades and criminal justice personnel.

**U. Describe efforts to incorporate Green Building and Energy Saving products and processes:** For proposed developments involving new construction units, regardless of the development category of the application, the applicant must commit that (i) each new construction unit in the proposed development that is eligible for the energy star new homes (Florida standard) will achieve a home energy rating system (HERS) index of 75 or below, and (ii) each new construction unit in the proposed development that is not eligible for the Energy Star new homes will include, at a minimum, the energy features outlined in MDC Green Code through Ordinance No. 07-65. The applicant will also adhere to all the requirements of said ordinance.

**V. Describe efforts to meet the 20% Special Needs set-aside:** The special needs category is a priority for Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD). The Department will continue to work in conjunction with Community Action and Human Services Department (CAHSD) as well as other experienced entities in identifying the 20% special needs set-aside. CAHSD provides an outreach program using referral from supportive services agencies for elders and people with disabilities who may have difficulties finding housing that is safe, affordable, and permanent. PHCD will continue to provide funding with rehabilitation and helping homeowners to remain living independently in their own homes. The Homeownership Unit identifies disabled and special need applicants in face-to-face interviews. Their applications for second mortgage financing are prioritized.

**W. Describe efforts to reduce homelessness:** The Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust was created by the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners to oversee the use of their portion of the Food and Beverage Tax for Homeless activities and to establish and then implement policies based on the Miami-Dade County Community Homeless Plan. The Plan is a comprehensive Continuum of Care (CoC) system to serve homeless persons in Miami-Dade County. The Plan calls for the development of the following three stages of housing:

- Temporary Care: to provide immediate short term (7 to 30 days) housing and basic support services at Homeless Assistance Centers to persons residing in public spaces.
- Primary Care: transitional housing (6 to 9 months) with a focus on treatment and rehabilitation (e.g. substance abuse treatment, vocational training, skills building, mental health treatment, and basic education).
- Advanced Care: supported long term housing, including supported single room occupancy residence and assisted apartment or other residential arrangements.

A competitive process will be utilized to select builders/developers for participation in the program. Funds specified as set aside for Homeless Rental Housing Rental Housing Development can be applied toward either: 1) the development of a homeless-only housing development; or 2) the development of units set-aside to serve homeless persons within a mixed –use development. Both applications described above for Homeless Rental Housing development may include transitional housing. SHIP funds may also be utilized for rental subsidies using a “Rapid Re-Housing” Program model. Funds will be awarded to renters that are in need of a one-time payment to assist with in obtaining a lease on a rental unit. This may include utility deposits, security deposits and rent equal to no more than 24 months’ rent. The proposed project must target the Continuum’s priority sub-populations for Rapid Re-Housing:

- Chronic homeless
- Homeless veterans
- Homeless families and unaccompanied homeless youth



## Section II. LHAP Strategies:

### HOMEOWNERSHIP

<b>A Purchase Assistance With Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Code: 1</b>
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- a. Summary: This strategy will fund first-time homebuyers to acquire existing homeownership units and to cover general rehabilitation needs. All potential homebuyers must be pre-qualified by the participating lenders.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$120, 000
- e. Terms:
1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Funds will be awarded as a subordinate loan secured by a recorded mortgage and note.
  2. Interest Rate: 1% vulnerable areas, 2% non-vulnerable areas
  3. Term: 30 years
  4. Forgiveness: None
  5. Repayment: Loan is fully amortized over 30 years.
  6. Default: The loan will be determined to be in default if any of the following occurs during the loan term: Failure to make the required payments, sale, transfer, foreclosure, or conveyance of property, conversion to a rental property; loss of homestead exemption status; or failure to occupy the home as primary residence. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable. Upon death of the owner, the loan shall become due and payable in full unless ownership of the property passes to the heirs of owner and those heirs meet the following criteria: (a) live on the property, (b) earn no more than the maximum percentage AMI funding activity at time of transfer, and (c) execute appropriate documents as required by Miami-Dade County. In the event that the proceeds from the sale are insufficient to repay the outstanding SHIP subsidy, the County will recapture whatever proceeds are available after the first mortgage from a private lender (if any) has been repaid.
- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: Limited to eligible applicants participating in Miami-Dade County's Homebuyer Loan Program.
- g. Sponsor Selection: N/A
- h. Additional Information: The program also requires potential homebuyers to receive homebuyer counseling from a HUD certified agency and to complete approved homebuyer education training. The education training will cover such topics as: choosing a realtor, selecting a home, qualifying for mortgage financing to include PHCD homeownership programs, a comprehensive home inspection, entering a purchase/sale contract, maintaining a

home, handling credit affairs and other skills needed for homeownership.

Vulnerable areas are areas where 51% or more of the population is considered low to moderate income households. Non-vulnerable areas are areas where 50% or less of the population is considered low to moderate income households.

<b>B. Purchase Assistance Without Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Code: 2</b>
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- a. Summary: This strategy will fund first time homebuyers with mortgage assistance to acquire newly constructed or existing homeownership units. All potential homebuyers must be pre-qualified by participating lenders for the affordable housing program. Additional assistance can be provided to households purchasing homes in eligible vulnerable or non-vulnerable areas.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award:
  - Vulnerable areas        \$100,000
  - Non-vulnerable areas    \$80,000
- e. Terms:
  - 1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Funds will be awarded as a subordinate loan secured by a recorded mortgage and note.
  - 2. Interest Rate: 1% vulnerable, 2% non-vulnerable
  - 3. Term: 30 years
  - 4. Forgiveness: None
  - 5. Repayment: Loan is fully amortized over 30 years.
  - 6. Default: The loan will be determined to be in default if any of the following occurs during the loan term: Failure to make the required payments, sale, transfer, foreclosure, or conveyance of property, conversion to a rental property; loss of homestead exemption status; or failure to occupy the home as primary residence. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable. Upon death of the owner, the loan shall become due and payable in full unless ownership of the property passes to the heirs of owner and those heirs meet the following criteria: (a) live on the property, (b) earn no more than the maximum percentage AMI funding activity at time of transfer, and (c) execute appropriate documentation as required by Miami-Dade County. In the event that the proceeds from the sale are insufficient to repay the outstanding SHIP subsidy, the County will recapture whatever proceeds are available after the first mortgage from a private lender (if any) has been repaid.

- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: Applicants are assisted on a first-qualified, first served basis after the availability of program funds or activity as advertised. Applicants seeking assistance are pre-qualified by first mortgage lenders and then referred by the lender to the County.
- g. Sponsor Selection Criteria: N/A
- h. Additional Information: Applicants must secure a first mortgage by an approved lender. SHIP funds allocated for this strategy will be leveraged with private funds, HOME, other federal funds and/or local Documentary Surtax Homeownership Assistance Loan Program (HALP).

The program requires potential homebuyers to complete a homebuyer and education counseling course taught by a HUD certified agency and HUD certified counselor. The course will cover such topics as: homebuyer education, choosing a realtor, selecting a home, qualifying for mortgage financing to include PHCD homeownership programs, a comprehensive home inspection, entering a purchase/sale contract, maintaining a home, handling credit affairs and other skills needed for homeownership.

Vulnerable areas are areas where 51% or more of the population is considered low to moderate income households. Non-vulnerable areas are areas where 50% or less of the population is considered low to moderate income households.

Map of vulnerable areas can be viewed at:

<https://www.miamidade.gov/housing/library/guidelines/map-of-eligible-block-groups-ranked-by-vulnerability.pdf>

#### DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

Terms:

1. Loan: Deferred
2. Maximum award: \$35,000
3. Interest Rate: 0%
4. Term: 30 years
5. Forgiveness: None
6. Repayment: No monthly payment. Unpaid principal balance due upon sale, transfer or maturity date.

The program is available to eligible applicants as a stand-alone program and participants in Miami-Dade County's Homebuyer Loan Program. Participants are subject to income qualification and underwriting for up to 140% AMI.

<b>C. Owner Occupied Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Code: 3</b>
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- a. Summary: This strategy will award funds toward rehabilitation of owner-occupied existing housing units. Funding may be used for health/safety issues related to accessibility or barrier-free modification, rehabilitation and applicable building integrity requirements, including payment of homeowners insurance premiums during rehabilitation.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025

- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$50,000
- e. Terms:
  - 1. Loan: Funds will be awarded as a loan secured by a recorded subordinate mortgage and note.
  - 2. Interest Rate: 0%
  - 3. Term: 30 years
  - 4. Forgiveness: a) At the end of the 30 year term, all funds are forgiven for the elderly and special needs population. b) the loan becomes due at time of sale or refinance.
  - 5. Repayment: For very low- and low-income applicants, the monthly payment is \$50.00, which can be paid until 359<sup>th</sup> payment and with the remaining balance due at maturity at 360<sup>th</sup> payment. Moderate income applicants' monthly repayment will be calculated at 0% interest amortized over 30 years.
  - 6. Default: The loan will be determined to be in default if any of the following occurs during the loan term: Failure to make required payments, sale, transfer, foreclosure, or conveyance of property; conversion to a rental property; loss of homestead exemption status; or failure to occupy the home as primary residence. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance of the loan will be due and payable. Upon death of the owner, the loan shall become due and payable in full unless ownership of the property passes to the heirs of owner and those heirs meet the following criteria: (a) live on the property, (b) earn no more than the maximum percentage AMI funding activity at time of transfer, and (c) execute appropriate documents as required by Miami-Dade County. In the event that the proceeds from the sale are insufficient to repay the outstanding SHIP subsidy, the County will recapture whatever proceeds are available after the first mortgage from a private lender (if any) has been repaid.
- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: The applicants are selected on a first-qualified, first served basis, with priority given to elderly and Special Needs.
- g. Sponsor/Developer Selection Criteria: N/A
- h. Additional Information: Funds may also be available for owners of condominium properties located in Miami-Dade County. Homeowners must reside in the unit and occupy as primary residence. The rehabilitation funds will be paid directly to the condominium association. A description of the work to be done and/or Scope of Work will be required to determine the loan assistance.

<b>D Demolition /Reconstruction</b>	<b>Code: 4</b>
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- a. Summary: The demolition/reconstruction strategy is designed to assist owner-occupied residential properties where the cost to repair or reconstruct the home exceeds 75% of existing structure assessed value and meets the building code definition of an unsafe structure. This strategy may be used in conjunction with acquisition/rehabilitation, purchase assistance, new construction and Community Land Trust strategies resulting in new or improved housing

provided to Miami-Dade County eligible residents. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025

- b. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low, Moderate
- c. Maximum award: \$300,000
- d. Terms:

1. Repayment loan/deferred loan/grant: Funds will be awarded as a deferred loan secured by a recorded subordinate mortgage and note.
2. Interest Rate: 0%
3. Years in loan term: 30 years
4. Forgiveness: None
5. Repayment: Loan is fully amortized over 30 years.
6. Default: Full repayment of the loan is required if title is transferred or conveyed for any reason, or the property ceases to be the primary residence of the applicant during the required occupancy period. In the event of default, which is defined as not meeting the occupancy, eligibility and/or ownership requirements, the County may foreclose to recover funds made available for assistance which is secured by a mortgage and note on the property. The loan becomes due at time of sale or refinance.

In cases where the qualifying homeowner(s) die(s) during the loan term, the loan may be assumed by a SHIP eligible heir who will occupy the home as a primary residence. If the legal heir is not SHIP eligible or chooses not to occupy the home, the outstanding balance of the loan will be due and payable to County.

If the home is foreclosed on by a superior mortgage holder, the County will make an effort to recapture funds through the legal process if it is determined that adequate funds may be available to justify pursuing a repayment.

7. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Eligible homeowners will be assisted on a first qualified, first served basis. Homeowners will be assisted within income groups from all eligible applicants based on funding availability. Special needs households, as defined by 420.0004(13), F.S. will be given priority.

8. Additional Information: If the County has an inventory of existing homes for sale, the homeowner will be given the option to purchase one of the existing homes for the appraised value and sell the current homestead property to the County as surplus property for the appraised value. The value of the current home will be a credit towards the purchase of the new home. The value of the existing home cannot exceed the value of the home to be purchased under the

program.

With this option, the County may provide temporary relocation from its inventory of existing housing, at no cost to the applicant, if available, while the home is being built. The owner who is moved to an existing housing unit will not be eligible for any additional relocation benefits and will be required to pay all utilities and moving expenses associated with the temporary relocation. If temporary relocation is deemed necessary, while the home is being repaired or rebuilt; the County will pay for relocation costs in accordance with the County's Relocation Policy. Costs associated with the relocation will be included in the loan amount and are subject to the maximum award under this strategy.

<b>E. Disaster Response Strategy</b>	<b>Code 5</b>
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a. Summary: This strategy is to be utilized in the event of a declaration by Executive Order by the President of the United States or Governor of the State of Florida of a disaster. In an effort to maximize the effect of funds utilized for disaster recovery and mitigation, funds not contractually committed for rehabilitation, construction, design, homeownership purchase or other activity will be redirected to the post-disaster recovery and mitigation effort. This Assistance is provided as gap assistance for any damage that insurance or FEMA does not cover. These funds will be used for the following activities:

1. Purchase of emergency supplies to waterproof damaged homes.
2. Interim repairs to avoid further damage, such as tree and debris removal required to make individual housing units habitable.
3. Payment of insurance deductibles for rehabilitation of homes covered under homeowners' insurance policies.
4. Removal of incipient hazards that may damage a structure.
5. Relocation costs for displaced households.
6. Jumpstart Assistance consisting of:
  - a. Rehabilitation funds in absence of insurance for very low-income households or as gap funds are necessary.
  - b. Down-payment assistance in the form of a subordinate mortgage awarded under current program guidelines to applicants who are able to qualify for a first mortgage to purchase a home pending FEMA buy-out.
7. Other activities approved by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025

c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely low, Very low and low

d. Maximum award: \$20,000

e. Terms:

1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Grant
  2. Interest Rate: NA
  3. Term: NA
  4. Forgiveness: NA
  5. Repayment: NA
  6. Default/Recapture: NA
- f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Eligible recipients will be selected using methods(s) that the County develops to expedite the distribution of disaster response resources during disaster periods.
- g. Sponsor/Sub-recipient Selection Criteria: NA
- h. Additional Information: NA

<b>F. Emergency Repair/ Special Needs</b>	<b>Code 6</b>
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- a. Summary: Funds may be awarded for a very specific list of items such as windows, roofing, etc. that cannot wait for a more comprehensive - major rehab. The Emergency Repair Program is designed to correct, repair, or replace an essential system and/or critical structural problems for homeowners who are either Special Needs, Essential Services Personnel, or Elderly (age 62 or over). The purpose of ERP is to stabilize the homeowner's residence by making essential repairs to make the home more livable. This is not a comprehensive homeowner rehabilitation program. This includes damaged roofing that is leaking, damaged windows causing exposure to the elements, or electrical or plumbing problems that could cause flooding or (fire) to the home or are an immediate need or providing HVAC systems which are a necessity in Miami-Dade's hot climate.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low, and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$ 30,000
- e. Terms:
1. Repayment loan/deferred loan/grant: Deferred payment loan secured by a note and mortgage.
  2. Interest Rate: 0%
  3. Years in loan term: 10 Years.
  4. Forgiveness: Loan to be forgiven at the end of the term.
  5. Repayment: Not required as long as the loan is in good standing.
  6. Default: The loan will be determined to be in default if any of the following occurs during the loan term: sale, transfer, or conveyance of property; conversion to rental property; loss of homestead exemption status, or failure to occupy the home as the primary residence. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable.

In cases where the qualifying homeowner(s) die(s) during the loan term, the loan may be assumed by a SHIP-eligible heir who will occupy the home as a primary residence. If the legal heir is not SHIP eligible or chooses not to occupy the home, the outstanding balance of the loan will be due and payable. If the home is foreclosed on by a superior mortgage holder, the county will make an effort to recapture funds through the legal process if it is determined that adequate funds may be available to justify pursuing a repayment.

- f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Applicants will be ranked for assistance based on a first-qualified, first-served basis with the priorities for Special Need.
- g. Sponsor Selection Criteria: N/A
- h. Additional information: N/A

<b>G. Foreclosure Prevention</b>	<b>Code: 7</b>
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a. Summary: Funds will be awarded to qualified homeowners to retain their home by preventing foreclosure action on the first mortgage. Applicants must be delinquent at least two full monthly mortgage payments or have received a notice of default.

Eligible expenses include delinquent mortgage payments (principal, interest, taxes and insurance), special assessment fees from condominium and/or neighborhood associations, late fees and other customary fees associated with delivery costs (but excluding brokerage fees).

- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$15,000
- e. Terms:
  - 1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Funds will be awarded as a deferred loan secured by a recorded subordinate mortgage and note.
  - 2. Interest Rate: 0%
  - 3. Term: 5 years
  - 4. Forgiveness: The loan will be forgiven at the end of the loan term provided the owner continues to occupy the home as their principal residence.
  - 5. Repayment: None Required as long as the loan is in good standing.
  - 6. Default: Repayment of the full amount shall become due if any of the following occurs within the deferred loan term:
    - a. Homeowner sells, transfers, or disposes of the property by any means, including bankruptcy, foreclosure, or deed in lieu of foreclosure.
    - b. Homeowner no longer occupies the unit as their principal residence.



- c. Homeowner fails to meet any of the terms of the Public Housing and Community Development's Subordination Policy.

If the homeowner(S) dies, an heir may assume the debt as long as said heir becomes the owner occupant and meets income guidelines.

f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria:

1. Applicants are processed on a first-qualified, first-served basis.
2. This strategy is designed to assist individuals who have fully amortizing conventional mortgages;
3. Applicants may receive funding under this program only one time.
4. Applicants must complete a budget/credit/debt reduction course through a HUD approved counseling agency,
5. Applicant must submit to:
  - a. Current income analysis
  - b. Credit history on other payment requirements; other obligations; job history; payment history; income to debt ratio.
  - c. Other factors that may serve to assist the administration of the program to determine worthiness of the applicant
6. Foreclosure prevention applicants must show that the nonpayment of their mortgage is due to the following eligible reasons:
  - a. Loss of employment
  - b. Medical expenses
  - c. Divorce or separation
  - d. Death in a family
  - e. Home repair bills

g. Sponsor/Sub-recipient Selection Criteria: N/A

- h. Additional Information: SHIP fund allocated for this strategy may be leveraged with federal, state, local, private funds and volunteer labor.

<b>H. Homeownership (Acquisition /Rehabilitation)</b>	<b>Code: 9</b>
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- a. Summary: SHIP funds will be provided to affordable housing developers, non-profit organizations and Public Housing Agencies (PHA) for the acquisition of land to construct new residential housing units, or acquisition of existing residential housing with or without needing to be rehabilitated, for resale to income eligible homebuyers.
- b. Fiscal Years covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate.
- d. Maximum award: \$300,000

e. Terms:

Developer

1. Repayment loan/deferred loan/grant: Repayment Loan secured by a note and mortgage.
2. Interest Rate: 1 %
3. Years in loan term: 2 years
4. Repayment: This loan is due and payable when the completed unit is sold to an income eligible buyer.
5. Default: In the event the property is not sold to an income eligible homebuyer within 1 year after certificate of occupancy is issued, the funds will become due and payable to the County. -

Homebuyer

1. Repayment loan/deferred loan/grant: Deferred loan secured by a recorded mortgage and note.
2. Interest Rate: 0%
3. Years in loan term: 10 years
4. Forgiveness: Forgiven at the end of the loan term
5. Repayment: No repayment required if the loan is in good standing.
6. Default: The loan will be determined to be in default if any of the following occurs: sale to a buyer who has not been confirmed as an eligible beneficiary by the County, transfer, or conveyance of property; conversion to a rental property; loss of homestead exemption status; or failure to occupy the home as primary residence. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable.

In cases where the qualifying homeowner(s) die(s) during the loan term, the loan may be assumed by a SHIP eligible heir who will occupy the home as a primary residence. If the legal heir is not SHIP eligible or chooses not to occupy the home, the outstanding balance of the loan will be due and payable. If the home is foreclosed on by a superior mortgage holder, the County will make an effort to recapture funds through the legal process if it is determined that adequate funds may be available to justify pursuing a recapture.

- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: Applicants will be assisted on a first-qualified, first-served basis.
- g. Sponsor/Sub-recipient Selection Criteria: Developers/Non-profits will apply to the County through an RFP process that will be advertised. The RFP will require proof of developer experience in providing affordable housing, proof of financial capacity, evidence of site control (or contract for sale), proof of ability to proceed once all funding is closed, and a housing unit design plan that meets the County's housing element in the Comprehensive Plan. PHA's are not subject to the RFP process. `The County reserves the right to select developments that meet all the above requirements and:
  1. Are in areas of immediate need due to lack of available units.
  2. Propose to increase the affordable housing stock with quality units.



All funding awards will be subject to closing on other funding sources.

- h. Additional Information: Project delivery cost will be paid in accordance with Section 1.R.

Vulnerable areas are areas where 51% or more of the population is considered low to moderate income households. Non-vulnerable areas are areas where 50% or less of the population is considered low to moderate income households.

<b>I. Community Land Trust (CLT) Homeownership</b>	<b>Code: 10</b>
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- a. Summary: To provide down payment assistance to buyers of newly constructed or existing community land trust homes. The down payment assistance will be used to write down the purchase price of the property.

- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025

- c. Income Categories to be served: Very low, low and moderate

- d. Maximum award: \$200,000

- e. Terms:

CLT Developer

Interest Rate: 0% interest during construction 2-year term

.75% interest years 3-40

1. Term: 2-year construction plus principal and interest payments in years 3-40
2. Repayment: Payments from the sale of the units to eligible homeowner plus Developer payments will be considered payments that are due after the unit is sold.
3. Maximum Award: \$200,000 per unit
4. Repayment: Loans require monthly interest and principal payments.
5. Default/Recapture: For all awards, a default will be determined as: sale, transfer, foreclosure, or conveyance of property; conversion to another use; failure to maintain standards for compliance as required by any of the funding sources. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable.

Homebuyer



1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Assistance is provided as a deferred payment loan secured by a note and mortgage.
  2. Maximum award: Vulnerable areas: \$100,000,  
Non-Vulnerable areas: \$80,000
  3. Interest Rate: 0%
  4. Term: 30 years
  5. Forgiveness: None.
  6. Repayment: No monthly payment. Unpaid principal balance due upon sale, transfer or maturity date.
  7. Default/Recapture: Default is defined as the failure to make required payments on a loan secured by a first mortgage which leads to foreclosure and/or loss of property ownership. In the event of default on the first mortgage, the Community Land Trust must notify Miami-Dade County whether it intends to exercise its right of repurchase. Default shall also occur if the buyer fails to occupy the home as a primary residence or if all owners have died.
- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: First qualified, first served after completion of HUD approved first-time homebuyer class that contains a community land trust component. The recipient must be able to show and attest to a clear understanding of the difference between fee simple homeownership and community land trust homeownership. Miami-Dade County will provide a certification for the client (applicant) to complete attesting to their understanding of the appropriate program.
- g. Sponsor/Developer Selection Criteria: Funds are awarded through the annual RFA process or other competitive process. Selection will be based on the following criteria: proof of developer experience in providing affordable rental housing, proof of financial capacity, evidence of site control, and proof of ability to proceed once all funding is closed.
- h. Additional Information: The Community Land Trust transfers title to the homebuyer but retains ownership of the land beneath the improvements. The CLT provides a 99-year ground lease for the use of the land to the homebuyer. The terms of the ground lease restricts the resale of the property to an income eligible household.

The CLT has a stewardship role that continues in perpetuity to assure that the CLT home remains in the County's affordable housing stock. The monies provided to the community land trust homebuyer are used to write down the purchase price of the home. By taking the cost of the land out of the purchase price and by further writing down the purchase price in an amount equal to the SHIP funds provided by the County, the cost of the home is significantly reduced, creating an affordable opportunity for homeownership for the first family who purchases and for each family that purchases thereafter.

Vulnerable areas are areas where 51% or more of the population is considered low to moderate income households.



Non-vulnerable areas are areas where 50% or less of the population is considered low to moderate income households.

<b>J. Tenant Based Rental Assistance</b>	<b>Code: 13</b>
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- a. Summary: Funds will be awarded to low-income households in need of homeless prevention (eviction) assistance payments for households that qualify under s. 420.9072(7)(b), F.S., and provided by a Continuum of Care lead agency.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely-low, very-low and low
- d. Maximum award: \$30,000
- e. Terms:
  - 1. Funds will be awarded as a grant and not subject to recapture
  - 2. Interest Rate: NA
  - 3. Years in loan term: NA
  - 4. Forgiveness: NA
  - 5. Repayment: NA
  - 6. Default: NA
- f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Applicants will be assisted on a first-qualified, first served basis and must be considered homeless or at risk of homeless according to s. 420.621, F.S..
- g. Sponsor Selection Criteria: NA
- h. Additional Information:
  - 1. Funds are meant to support Emergency Solution Grant homeless prevention funds which is limited to 6 months.
  - 2. Funds may not exceed 12 months for any eligible household.
  - 3. This strategy will follow the departments established procedure for existing rental assistance programs including verification of eligibility, landlord requirements, and payments to landlord.
  - 4. The property under lease must be located in Miami-Dade County.
  - 5. Awarded funds will be provided distributed directly to the landlord.



<b>K. Rental Development (New Construction/ Rehabilitation/Acquisition/ Demolition/ Special Needs)</b>	<b>Code: 12, 14, 15, 20, 21</b>
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- a. Summary: Funds will be awarded as gap financing to for-profit and not-for-profit builders/ developers to support land acquisition, demolition, reconstruction, rehabilitation and/or new construction of affordable rental housing units. Funds may be awarded to a developer to provide units set aside for persons with special needs or disabilities.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely low, very-low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$200,000 per unit
- e. Terms:
  1. Loan: Funds will be awarded as a loan secured by a recorded subordinate mortgage and note.
  2. Interest Rate: 0% interest for the period of construction (1-2 years). After the construction period ends, principal and interest payments will begin at 1%-2% interest rate for the remainder of the loan term. See Exhibit G.
  3. Term: 30 years
  4. Forgiveness: None
  5. Repayment: Loans require monthly interest-only payments and amortized principal and interest payments accruing in years 3-30.
  6. Default/Recapture: For all awards, a default will be determined as: sale, transfer, foreclosure, or conveyance of property; conversion to another use; failure to maintain standards for compliance as required by any of the funding sources. If any of these occur, the outstanding balance will be due and payable.
- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: Tenants are selected on a first-qualified, first-served basis and to the extent permitted by law, on a basis that promotes fair housing opportunities. Tenants may also be selected by lottery.
- g. Sponsor/Developer Selection Criteria: Funds are awarded through the Request for Applications process or other competitive process. The RFA will require proof of developer experience in providing affordable rental housing, proof of financial capacity, evidence of site control, and proof of ability to proceed once all funding is closed.
- h. Additional Information: SHIP funds allocated for this strategy may be leveraged with local CDBG, HOME, Documentary Surtax Program (Surtax), or other available local funds, such as the affordable housing trust fund and County general funds.



<b>L. Disaster Assistance</b>	<b>Code 16</b>
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a. Summary: This strategy is to be utilized in the event of a declaration by Executive Order by the President of the United States or Governor of the State of Florida of a disaster. In an effort to maximize the effect of funds utilized for disaster recovery and mitigation, funds not contractually committed for rehabilitation, construction, design, or other activity will be redirected to the post-disaster recovery and mitigation effort. This Assistance is provided to homeowners as gap assistance for any damage that insurance or FEMA does not cover. These funds will be used for the following activities:

Eligible activities include:

1. Purchase of emergency supplies to waterproof damaged rental structures.
  2. Interim repairs to avoid further damage, such as tree and debris removal required to make housing units habitable.
  3. Payment of insurance deductibles for repairs covered under the dwelling insurance policy.
  4. Removal of incipient hazards that may damage a structure.
  5. Relocation costs for displaced households.
  6. Other activities as proposed by the federal government, counties, and eligible municipalities and approved by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely-low, very-low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$20,000 per unit
- e. Terms:
1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Grant
  2. Interest Rate: NA
  3. Term: NA
  4. Forgiveness: NA
  5. Repayment: NA
  6. Default/Recapture: NA
- f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Eligible recipients will be selected using methods(s) that the County develops to expedite the distribution of disaster response resources during disaster periods.
- g. Sponsor/Sub-recipient Selection Criteria: Applicants will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.



h. Additional Information: NA

<b>M. Security and/or Utility Deposits</b>
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<b>Code: 23</b>
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- a. Summary: Funds will be awarded to low-income households in need of relocation assistance from housing projects during redevelopment phases, including but not limited to affordable rental and/or public housing sites. The rental security deposit assistance will be based on the equivalent of two month's contract rent. The rental unit must meet Housing Quality Standards as defined in 24 CFR 982.401. The unit must be affordable to the tenant and cost no more than 30% of the household's adjusted income.
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely-low, very-low low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$10,000
- e. Terms:
  - 1. Funds will be awarded as a grant and not subject to recapture
  - 2. Interest Rate: NA
  - 3. Years in loan term: NA
  - 4. Forgiveness: NA
  - 5. Repayment: NA
  - 6. Default: NA
- f. Recipient/Tenant Selection Criteria: Eligible applicants will be assisted on a first-qualified, first served basis and must be imminently affected by a Redevelopment Project.
- g. Sponsor Selection Criteria: NA
- h. Additional Information:
  - 1. The lease must be a minimum of twelve months in duration.
  - 2. This strategy will follow the departments established procedure for existing rental assistance programs including verification of eligibility, landlord requirements, and payments to landlord.
  - 3. The property under lease must be in Miami-Dade County.
  - 4. Awarded funds will be provided distributed directly to the landlord.





<b>N. Rapid Re-Housing Program</b>	<b>Code: 26</b>
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- a. Summary: The Rapid Re-Housing Program is created to assist individuals or families who require utility deposit, security deposits and/or temporary rental assistance not to exceed 12 months to reduce the time in which they are experiencing homelessness and, if needed, sustain housing. To be eligible for monthly rental assistance, the household receiving assistance must be homeless as defined in S. 420.621, F.S..
- b. Fiscal Years Covered: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025
- c. Income Categories to be served: Extremely-low, very-low, low and moderate
- d. Maximum award: \$30,000
- e. Terms:
  1. Loan/deferred loan/grant: Grant
  2. Interest Rate: NA
  3. Term: NA
  4. Forgiveness: NA
  5. Repayment: NA
  6. Default/Recapture: NA
- f. Recipient Selection Criteria: Applicants will be referred for assistance by the Homeless Trust's Coordinated Outreach, Assessment and Placement (COAP) Program and be assisted on a first-qualified, first-served basis.  
  
 Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust, has established the COAP to provide coordinated single entry referral and placement into permanent housing programs, including Rapid Re-Housing assistance. Referral to housing programs assisted by, or through partnerships with, the Homeless Trust is coordinated by the Homeless Trust's Housing Coordinator. All persons entering the shelters, transitional housing and those engaged on the streets are assessed utilizing the VI-SPDAT assessment tool and referral is based on chronic and medical vulnerability assessment scores and the housing assistance needed. The Homeless Trust is the lead in our Continuum of Care. They have resources that are dedicated to homeless programs.
- g. Sponsor/Developer Selection Criteria: Miami-Dade County intends to administer this program through a sub-recipient agency or agencies. A competitive Request for Proposals process in accordance with Chapter 67-37.005(6)(b)7 of the Florida Administrative Code will be conducted by the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust to select an eligible sub-recipient agency or agencies. Eligible persons, sponsors or other sub-recipients of assistance under this program will be required to contractually commit and comply with all SHIP Program requirements and the Miami-Dade County Standards of Care, policies and procedures governing COAP and its Rapid Re-Housing Strategy. Criteria for selection of Sub-Recipient organization will



include: (1) past experience working with the target population; (2) past experience administering similar rental assistance programs; (3) financial and human resource capacity to administer the program; (4) participation in the Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry system; and (5) such other criteria as may be determined appropriate.

h. Additional Information:

1. The lease must be a least twelve months.
2. Assistance will be provided directly to the utility or landlord.
3. Recipients of assistance must go through an assessment by the partnership agencies that are part of the Continuum of Care to determine likelihood of housing sustainability once the assistance period runs out. Such assessment process shall be governed by the Homeless Trust's Rapid Re-Housing Standards of Care, policies and procedures.
4. Recipients of other ongoing rental assistance (such as Section 8) are not eligible to receive assistance under this Strategy.

III. LHAP Incentive Strategies

In addition to the **required Incentive Strategy A and Strategy B**, include all adopted incentives with the policies and procedures used for implementation as provided in Section 420.9076, F.S.:

A. Name of the Strategy: **Expedited Permitting**

Permits as defined in s. 163.3177 (6) (f) (3) for affordable housing projects are expedited to a greater degree than other projects.

Provide a description of the procedures used to implement this strategy:

By Resolution No. R-347-09, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) adopted the Affordable Housing Advisory Board's (AHAB) recommendation that the County's Building Department's informal expedited process for affordable housing be formalized through legislative action. An existing Administrative Order governing permitting review will be amended through BCC adoption that will incorporate expedited permit review for affordable housing development. By direction of the BCC, the expedited review process also will be incorporated into the Department's standard operating procedures.

B. Name of the Strategy: **Ongoing Review Process**

An ongoing process for review of local policies, ordinances, regulations and plan provisions that increase the cost of housing prior to their adoption.

Provide a description of the procedures used to implement this strategy:

By Resolution No. R-347-09, the BCC adopted the AHAB's recommendation that an affordable housing cost impact review for legislation that relates to land development and infrastructure in



connection with housing development be performed and the BCC be notified of the cost impact at first reading or public hearing, as required.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-347-09, AHAB must review any current and future Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP) amendments or zoning code changes that may impact affordable housing and provide recommendations, as it deems necessary.

**C. Other Incentive Strategies Adopted: County-Owned Land Identified for Affordable Housing Development**

Maintain an inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing development and make such land available to non-profit and for-profit developers to increase affordable housing.

Provide description of the procedures used to implement this strategy:

The County's Public Housing and Community Development and General Services Administration are responsible for development of this inventory as well as tracking and monitoring development on the sites.

By Resolution No. R-347-09, the BCC adopted AHAB's recommendation that AHAB and a second advisory board to the BCC, the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance, be provided a list of these public sites and the status of development on an annual basis in order to monitor and report on the implementation of this strategy.

**D. Name of the Strategy: Promote CDMP Affordable Housing Objectives**

Promote affordable housing development objectives contained in the Housing Element of the County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP)

Pursuant to Resolution 347.09, this strategy will be implemented by:

Giving preference in County funding processes to affordable housing projects (whether on County-owned land or not) located within transit corridors or designated employment centers.

To the extent possible, giving priority to the development of affordable rental housing on County-owned parcels suitable for multi-family housing development and located within transit corridors or designated employment centers. Units are to be affordable to a mix of household incomes (i.e. ELI, VL, low- and moderate-income households).



**IV. EXHIBITS:**

Required

- A. Administrative Budget for each fiscal year covered in the Plan.
- B. Timeline for Estimated Encumbrance and Expenditure.
- C. Housing Delivery Goals Chart (HDGC) For Each Fiscal Year Covered in the plan.
- D. Signed LHAP Certification.
- E. Signed, dated, witnessed or attested adopting resolution.
- F. AHAC Annual Report
- G. Surtax and SHIP financing options

<b>Miami-Dade County</b>
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Fiscal Year: 2022-2023	
Estimated SHIP Funds for Fiscal Year:	\$ 11,008,324.00
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 849,820.60
Office Supplies and Equipment	\$ 23,330.31
Travel Per diem Workshops, etc.	\$ 3,845.57
Advertising	\$ 25,832.87
Other*	\$ 198,003.05
Total	\$ 1,100,832.40
Admin %	10.00%
	<b>OK</b>
Fiscal Year 2023-2024	
Estimated SHIP Funds for Fiscal Year:	\$ 13,280,978.00
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 1,025,264.94
Office Supplies and Equipment	\$ 28,146.82
Travel Per diem Workshops, etc.	\$ 4,639.49
Advertising	\$ 31,166.03
Other*	\$ 238,880.52
Total	\$ 1,328,097.80
Admin %	10.00%
	<b>OK</b>
Fiscal Year 2024-2025	
Estimated SHIP Funds for Fiscal Year:	\$ 8,793,812.00
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 678,864.70
Office Supplies and Equipment	\$ 18,637.02
Travel Per diem Workshops, etc.	\$ 3,071.97
Advertising	\$ 20,636.15
Other*	\$ 158,171.37
Total	\$ 879,381.20
Admin %	10.00%
	<b>OK</b>
*All "other" items need to be detailed here and are subject to review and approval by the SHIP review committee. Project Delivery Costs that are outside of administrative costs are not to be included here, but must be detailed in the LHAP main document.	
Details: Office Space Rental	

**Exhibit B**  
**Timeline for SHIP Expenditures**

**Miami-Dade County**

\_\_\_\_\_ affirms that funds allocated for these fiscal years will  
(local government)  
meet the following deadlines:

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Encumbered</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Interim Report</b>	<b>Closeout Report</b>
<b>2022-2023</b>	6/30/2024	6/30/2025	9/15/2024	9/15/2025
<b>2023-2024</b>	6/30/2025	6/30/2026	9/15/2025	9/15/2026
<b>2024-2025</b>	6/30/2026	6/30/2027	9/15/2026	9/15/2027

If funds allocated for these fiscal years is not anticipated to meet expenditure deadlines, Florida Housing Finance Corporation will be notified according to the following chart:

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Funds Not Expended</b>	<b>Closeout AR Not Submitted</b>
<b>2022-2023</b>	3/30/2025	6/15/2025
<b>2023-2024</b>	3/30/2026	6/15/2026
<b>2024-2025</b>	3/30/2027	6/15/2027

**Requests for Expenditure Extensions (close-out year ONLY) must be received by FHFC by June 15 of the year in which funds are required to be expended. The extension request shall be emailed to [robert.dearduff@floridahousing.org](mailto:robert.dearduff@floridahousing.org) and [cameka.gardner@floridahousing.org](mailto:cameka.gardner@floridahousing.org) and include:**

1. A statement that “(city/county) requests an extension to the expenditure deadline for fiscal year \_\_\_\_\_.”
2. The amount of funds that is not expended.
3. The amount of funds that is not encumbered or has been recaptured.
4. A detailed plan of how/when the money will be expended.

*Note: an extension to the expenditure deadline (June 30) does not relieve the requirement to submit (September 15) the annual report online detailing all funds that have been expended. Please email [cameka.gardner@floridahousing.org](mailto:cameka.gardner@floridahousing.org) when you are ready to “submit” the AR.*

**Other Key Deadlines:**

AHAC reports are now due annually by December 31. Local governments receiving the minimum (or less) allocation may choose not to report.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION												
HOUSING DELIVERY GOALS CHART												
2022-2023												
Name of Local Government:		Miami-Dade County										
Estimated Funds (Anticipated allocation only):			\$ 11,008,324									
Code	Strategies	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
	Homeownership											
1,2	Purchase Assistance - New Construction	Yes	5	\$80,000	16	\$70,000	64	\$60,000	\$5,360,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,360,000.00	85
3	Owner Occupied Rehabilitation	Yes		\$45,000		\$45,000		\$45,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
7	Foreclosure Prevention and Mitigation	No		\$7,500		\$7,500		\$7,500	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
5	Disaster Response	Yes		\$10,000		\$10,000		\$10,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
2	Community Land Trust	Yes		\$80,000		\$70,000	30	\$60,000	\$1,800,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,800,000.00	30
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Homeownership		5		16		94		\$7,160,000.00	\$0.00	\$7,160,000.00	115
Purchase Price Limits:			New	\$ 318,000	Existing	\$ 318,000						

OK

OK

Code	Rental	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
14,21	Rental Development	Yes	5	\$80,000	5	\$80,000	5	\$80,000	\$1,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,200,000.00	15
23	Security Rental Deposits	Yes		\$2,600		\$2,600		\$2,600	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
26	Rapid Re-Housing Program	No		\$15,000		\$15,000			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Rental		5		5		5		\$1,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,200,000.00	15
	Administration Fees		\$ 1,098,324		10%		OK					
	Home Ownership Counseling		\$ 1,550,000									
Total All Funds			\$ 11,008,324 OK									

## Set-Asides

Percentage Construction/Rehab (75% requirement)		75.9%	OK
Homeownership % (65% requirement)		65.0%	OK
Rental Restriction (25%)		10.9%	OK
Very-Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 800,000	7.3%	OK
Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 1,120,000	10.2%	OK
Moderate Income	\$ 6,040,000	54.9%	

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION												
HOUSING DELIVERY GOALS CHART												
2023-2024												
Miami-Dade County												
Estimated Funds (Anticipated allocation only):			\$ 13,280,978									
Code	Strategies	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
	Homeownership											
1	Purchase Assitance - with Rehab	Yes		\$120,000		\$120,000		\$120,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
2	Purchase Assitance - withuout Rehab	Yes	2	\$100,000	17	\$100,000	89	\$80,000	\$9,020,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,020,000.00	108
3	Owner Occupied Rehabilitation	Yes		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
4	Demolition/ Reconstruction	Yes		\$300,000		\$300,000		\$300,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
5	Disaster Assistance	Yes		\$20,000		\$20,000		\$20,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
6	Emergency Repair/ Special Needs	Yes		\$30,000		\$30,000		\$30,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
7	Foreclosure Prevention and Mitigation	No		\$15,000		\$15,000		\$15,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
9	Homeownership Acquisition/ Rehabilitation	Yes		\$300,000		\$300,000		\$300,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
2	Community Land Trust	No		\$100,000		\$100,000		\$80,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Homeownership		2		17		89		\$9,020,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,020,000.00	108
Purchase Price Limits:			New	\$ 318,000	Existing	\$ 318,000						

OK

OK

Code	Rental	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
13	Tenant Based Rental Assistance	No		\$30,000		\$30,000		\$30,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
12, 14, 15, 20, 21	Rental Development	Yes	2	\$200,000	5	\$200,000	4	\$200,000	\$2,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,200,000.00	11
5	Disaster Assistance	Yes		\$20,000		\$20,000		20000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
23	Security Rental Deposits	No		\$10,000		\$10,000		10000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
26	Rapid Re-Housing Program	No		\$30,000		\$30,000			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Rental		2		5		4		\$2,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,200,000.00	11
	Administration Fees		\$ 1,260,978		9%		OK					
	Home Ownership Counseling		\$ 800,000									
Total All Funds			\$ 13,280,978 OK									

Set-Asides

Percentage Construction/Rehab (75% requirement)		84.5%	OK
Homeownership % (65% requirement)		67.9%	OK
Rental Restriction (25%)		16.6%	OK
Very-Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 600,000	4.5%	OK
Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 1,700,000	12.8%	OK
Moderate Income	\$ 7,920,000	59.6%	



FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION												
HOUSING DELIVERY GOALS CHART												
2024-2025												
Name of Local Government:			Miami-Dade County									
Estimated Funds (Anticipated allocation only):			\$ 8,793,812									
Code	Strategies	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
	Homeownership											
1	Purchase Assitance - with Rehab	Yes		\$120,000		\$120,000		\$120,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
2	Purchase Assitance - withuout Rehab	Yes	2	\$100,000	15	\$100,000	53	\$80,000	\$5,940,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,940,000.00	70
3	Owner Occupied Rehabilitation	Yes		\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
4	Demolition/ Reconstruction	Yes		\$300,000		\$300,000		\$300,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
5	Disaster Assistance	Yes		\$20,000		\$20,000		\$20,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
6	Emergency Repair/ Special Needs	Yes		\$30,000		\$30,000		\$30,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
7	Foreclosure Prevention and Mitigation	No		\$15,000		\$15,000		\$15,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
9	Homeownership Acquisition/ Rehabilitation	Yes		\$300,000		\$300,000		\$300,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
2	Community Land Trust	No		\$100,000		\$100,000		\$80,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Homeownership		2		15		53		\$5,940,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,940,000.00	70
Purchase Price Limits:			New	\$ 318,000	Existing	\$ 318,000						

OK

OK

Code	Rental	Qualifies for 75% set-aside	VLI Units	Max. SHIP Award	LI Units	Max. SHIP Award	Mod Units	Max. SHIP Award	Construction	Without Construction	Total	Units
13	Tenant Based Rental Assistance	No		\$30,000		\$30,000		\$30,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
12, 14, 15, 20, 21	Rental Development	Yes	2	\$200,000	3	\$200,000	3	\$200,000	\$1,600,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,600,000.00	8
5	Disaster Assistance	Yes		\$20,000		\$20,000		20000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
23	Security Rental Deposits	No		\$10,000		\$10,000		10000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
26	Rapid Re-Housing Program	No		\$30,000		\$30,000			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
									\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0
	Total Rental		2		3		3		\$1,600,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,600,000.00	8
	Administration Fees		\$ 803,812		9%		OK					
	Home Ownership Counseling		\$ 450,000									
Total All Funds			\$ 8,793,812 OK									

## Set-Asides

Percentage Construction/Rehab (75% requirement)		85.7%	OK
Homeownership % (65% requirement)		67.5%	OK
Rental Restriction (25%)		18.2%	OK
Very-Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 600,000	6.8%	OK
Low Income (30% requirement)	\$ 1,500,000	17.1%	OK
Moderate Income	\$ 4,840,000	55.0%	

**CERTIFICATION TO  
FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION**

Local Government or Interlocal Entity:

Miami-Dade County

Certifies that:

- (1) The availability of SHIP funds will be advertised pursuant to program requirements in 420.907-420.9079, Florida Statutes.
- (2) All SHIP funds will be expended in a manner which will ensure that there will be no discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, familial status, or religion.
- (3) A process to determine eligibility and for selection of recipients for funds has been developed.
- (4) Recipients of funds will be required to contractually commit to program guidelines and loan terms.
- (5) Florida Housing will be notified promptly if the local government /interlocal entity will be unable to comply with any provision of the local housing assistance plan (LHAP).
- (6) The LHAP provides a plan for the encumbrance of funds within twelve months of the end of the State fiscal year in which they are received and a plan for the expenditure of SHIP funds including allocation, program income and recaptured funds within 24 months following the end of the State fiscal year in which they are received.
- (7) The LHAP conforms to the Local Government Comprehensive Plan, or that an amendment to the Local Government Comprehensive Plan will be initiated at the next available opportunity to insure conformance with the LHAP.
- (8) Amendments to the approved LHAP shall be provided to the Florida Housing for review and/or approval within 21 days after adoption.
- (9) The trust fund exists with a qualified depository for all SHIP funds as well as program income or recaptured funds.
- (10) Amounts on deposit in the local housing assistance trust fund shall be invested as permitted by law.

- (11) The local housing assistance trust fund shall be separately stated as a special revenue fund in the local governments audited financial statements (CAFR). An electronic copy of the CAFR or a hyperlink shall be provided to Florida Housing by June 30 of the applicable year.
- (12) Evidence of compliance with the Florida Single Audit Act, as referenced in Section 215.97, F.S. shall be provided to Florida Housing by June 30 of the applicable year.
- (13) SHIP funds will not be pledged for debt service on bonds.
- (14) Developers receiving assistance from both SHIP and the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program shall comply with the income, affordability and other LIHTC requirements, similarly, any units receiving assistance from other federal programs shall comply with all Federal and SHIP program requirements.
- (15) Loans shall be provided for periods not exceeding 30 years, except for deferred payment loans or loans that extend beyond 30 years which continue to serve eligible persons.
- (16) Rental Units constructed or rehabilitated with SHIP funds shall be monitored for compliance with tenant income requirements and affordability requirements or as required in Section 420.9075 (3)(e). To the extent another governmental entity provides periodic monitoring and determination, a municipality, county or local housing financing authority may rely on such monitoring and determination of tenant eligibility.
- (17) The LHAP meets the requirements of Section 420.907-9079 FS, and Rule Chapter 67-37 FAC.
- (18) The provisions of Chapter 83-220, Laws of Florida have not been implemented (except for Miami-Dade County).

James A. Mitchell  
Witness

[Signature]  
Witness

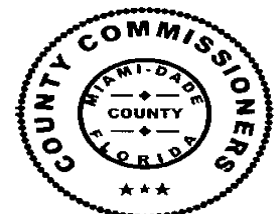
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Date

OR

Attest:

[Signature]  
Chief Elected Official or designee  
MORRIS COPELAND  
CHIEF COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER  
Type Name and Title

(Seal)



RESOLUTION #: \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ COMMISSION OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ (Local Government) FLORIDA APPROVING THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ACT, SUBSECTIONS 420.907-420.9079, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND RULE CHAPTER 67-37, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS NEEDED BY THE STATE; AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

\* \* \* \* \*

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida enacted the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act, Chapter 92-317 of Florida Sessions Laws, allocating a portion of documentary stamp taxes on deeds to local governments for the development and maintenance of affordable housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Act, ss. 420.907-420.9079, Florida Statutes (1992), and Rule Chapter 67-37, Florida Administrative Code, requires local governments to develop a one- to three-year Local Housing Assistance Plan outlining how funds will be used; and

**WHEREAS**, the SHIP Act requires local governments to establish the maximum SHIP funds allowable for each strategy; and

**WHEREAS**, the SHIP Act further requires local governments to establish an average area purchase price for new and existing housing benefiting from awards made pursuant to the Act; The methodology and purchase prices used are defined in the attached Local Housing Assistance Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, as required by *section 420.9075, F.S.* It is found that 5 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5 percent of program income is insufficient to adequately pay the necessary costs of administering the local housing assistance plan. The cost of administering the program may not exceed 10 percent of the local housing distribution plus 5% of program income deposited into the trust fund, except that small counties, as defined in s. 120.52(19), and eligible municipalities receiving a local housing distribution of up to \$350,000 may use up to 10 percent of program income for administrative costs.

**WHEREAS**, the Economic and Community Development Department has prepared a three-year Local

Housing Assistance Plan for submission to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission finds that it is in the best interest of the public for the \_\_\_\_\_ (local government) to submit the Local Housing Assistance Plan for review and approval so as to qualify for said documentary stamp tax funds; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_, FLORIDA that:**

Section 1: The \_\_\_\_\_ (commission or council) of the \_\_\_\_\_ (local government) hereby approves the Local Housing Assistance Plan, as attached and incorporated hereto for submission to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation as required by ss. 420.907-420-9079, Florida Statutes, for fiscal years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025.

Section 2: The \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman or Mayor or designee), is hereby designated and authorized to execute any documents and certifications required by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation as related to the Local Housing Assistance Plan, and to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the term and conditions of said program.

Section 3: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman or Mayor or designee

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City or County Clerk

AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# 2024 Housing Incentive Strategies Recommendations



September 11, 2024

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# INTRODUCTION

Florida Housing administers the State Housing Initiatives Partnership program (SHIP), which provides funds to local governments as an incentive to create partnerships that produce and preserve affordable homeownership and multifamily housing. The program was designed to serve very low-, low- and moderate-income families.

SHIP funds are distributed on an entitlement basis to all 67 counties and 52 Community Development Block Grant entitlement cities in Florida. In order to participate, local governments must establish a local housing assistance program by ordinance; develop a Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) and identify housing incentive strategies; amend land development regulations or establish local policies to implement the incentive strategies; form partnerships and combine resources in order to reduce housing costs; and ensure that rent or mortgage payments within the targeted areas do not exceed 30 percent of the area median income limits, unless authorized by the mortgage lender.

SHIP dollars may be used to fund emergency repairs, new construction, rehabilitation, down payment and closing cost assistance, impact fees, construction and gap financing, mortgage buy-downs, acquisition of property for affordable housing, matching dollars for federal housing grants and programs, and homeownership counseling.

A minimum of 65 percent of the funds must be spent on eligible homeownership activities; a minimum of 75 percent of funds must be spent on eligible construction activities; at least 30 percent of the funds must be reserved for very-low income households (up to 50 percent of the area median income or AMI); an additional 30 percent must be reserved for low income households (up to 80 percent of AMI); and the remaining funds may be reserved for households up to 140 percent of AMI. No more than 10 percent of SHIP funds may be used for administrative expenses. Funding for this program was established by the passage of the 1992 William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act. Funds are allocated to local governments on a population-based formula.

SHIP funds must be expended to implement a jurisdiction's Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP).

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee/Board (AHAB) is required to review the implementation status of the LHAP in the annual report required by s. 420.9075(10).

At a minimum, the AHAB shall submit an annual report to the local governing body and to Florida Housing Finance Corporation by December 31st, which includes recommendations on the implementation of affordable housing incentives in the following areas:

- The processing of approvals of development orders or permits for affordable housing projects is expedited to a greater degree than other projects, as provided in s. 163.3177(6) (f)3.
- All allowable fee waivers are provided for the development or construction of affordable housing.
- The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.
- The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.
- Affordable accessory residential units.
- The reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.
- The allowance of flexible lot configurations, including zero-lot-line configurations for affordable housing.
- The modification of street requirements for affordable housing.
- The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.
- The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.
- The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.

# COUNTY LEGISLATION REVIEW

The Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners has acted to formally adopt legislation to remove impediments to the construction of affordable housing, and to streamline the development review process. The following summary outlines legislative action adopted and implemented since 2021 to address affordable housing construction challenges within our community.

DATE	LEGISLATION SUMMARY	HYPERLINK TO LEGISLATION
6/4/2024	Resolution directing the County Mayor to study potential legislative changes to the workforce housing ordinance, codified at article XIIA of chapter 33 and article IX of chapter 17 of the Code, including to the contribution payment in lieu of construction for single family residential neighborhoods and to methods for reviewing applications in single family neighborhoods and to place a report on the study on an agenda of this Board	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2024/240828.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2024/240828.pdf</a>
10/3/2023	Resolution authorizing the County Mayor to establish a prequalification construction pool for Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development Department for a five-year term in a total amount up to \$30,000,000.00 in Documentary Stamps Surtax or State Housing Initiative Partnership Funds for the construction and rehabilitation of affordable and workforce single-family housing on County-owned land; creating a revolving loan program; authorizing the County Mayor to solicit pricing, award contracts, exercise all provisions of the solicitation documents and any resulting contracts pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the Code and Implementing Orders 8-4, 3-38, 3-44, and to add vendors to the pool at any time, subject to ratification by the Board on a bi-annual basis; authorizing the County Mayor to execute conditional loan commitments, standard shell contracts, standard shell loan documents, amendments and other documents or agreements necessary to accomplish the purposes of this resolution, and to subordinate or modify the terms of contracts, amendments and loan documents, and to exercise the termination, waiver, acceleration and other provisions therein; and requiring annual reports	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2023/231672.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2023/231672.pdf</a>
5/16/2023	Resolution directing the County Mayor to provide a written report on the state of accessible and affordable housing for individuals with disabilities in Miami-Dade County	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2023/231244min.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2023/231244min.pdf</a>
3/7/2023	Resolution directing the County Mayor to provide a report on the implementation of Resolution No. R-1078-19, regarding permitting timelines for affordable housing, including data on the current permitting timelines; directing the County Mayor to place the report on an agenda of this Board; and requiring a semiannual report	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2023/230179.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2023/230179.pdf</a>
10/6/2022	Ordinance relating to workforce housing development in the incorporated areas of Miami-Dade County and impact fees; amending section 33-193.7 of the Code; providing minimum standard requiring municipal workforce housing programs to address the entire income range defined by the County; requiring municipalities to prioritize workforce and affordable housing developments operated by or on behalf of the County or on County-owned land, and providing for County jurisdiction in the event of noncompliance; establishing limits on County funding for housing developments within municipalities that fail to adhere to County minimum income range standard; making technical changes	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2022/221594.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2022/221594.pdf</a>
7/20/2021	Ordinance relating to the maximum sales price of homes for all County affordable housing programs; setting a current maximum sales price and establishing a methodology for revising the maximum sales price; amending section 17-161 of the Code; removing maximum purchase price for homes purchased under the Homebuyer Loan Program; creating section 17-162, of the Code establishing a maximum sales price for homes sold under any County affordable housing program including, but not limited to the Homebuyer Loan Program, Infill Housing Program, and Down Payment Assistance Program; establishing a methodology for determining maximum sales price; authorizing the Mayor to amend the affordable housing Implementing Orders and the affordable housing programs and infill program guidelines to revise the maximum sales prices contained therein based on the above	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2021/212522min.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2021/212522min.pdf</a>
6/2/2021	Resolution authorizing the County Mayor to develop and sell homeownership affordable housing units on certain County-owned land with Documentary Stamp Surtax Funds as a Pilot Program: allocating \$9,000,000.00 of Documentary Surtax Funds to the Pilot Program for the development and financing of the affordable housing units; authorizing conveyance of one County owned property in accordance with section 125.379 Florida Statutes; authorizing conveyance of the County-owned property to an eligible low or moderate income household at a price not to exceed the maximum sales price for County affordable housing; authorizing the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners to execute County Deeds; and authorizing the County Mayor to effectuate the conveyance of the property in accordance with section 125.379, Florida Statutes, to take all action necessary to enforce the provisions set forth in such County Deed, and to provide copies of the recorded County Deed to the Property Appraiser; and directing the County Mayor to return to the Board for authorization to develop and convey any additional County owned property	<a href="https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2021/210951.pdf">https://www.miamidade.gov/govaction/legistarfiles/Matters/Y2021/210951.pdf</a>

# AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND PUBLIC HEARING

Miami-Dade County's Public Housing & Community Development Department continues to encourage and seek the participation of residents, community stakeholders, and public employees to enrich the planning process and increase the availability of affordable housing. Exemplary local leaders and professionals were appointed by our elected officials to serve on the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee board as mandated by Section 420.9076(2) of the Florida Statute.

<p><b>The Affordable Housing Advisory Board must consist of one locally elected official from each county or municipality participating in the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program and one representative from at least six of the categories below:</b></p>	
CATEGORIES	
(a)	A citizen who is actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing.
(b)	A citizen who is actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing.
(c)	A citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing.
(d)	A citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing.
(e)	A citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing.
(f)	A citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing.
(g)	A citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing.
(h)	A citizen who actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to s. 163.3174. If the local planning agency is comprised of the governing board of the county or municipality, the governing board may appoint a designee who is knowledgeable in the local planning process.
(i)	A citizen who resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments.
(j)	A citizen who represents employers within the jurisdiction.
(k)	A citizen who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan.
(l)	A locally elected official.

On September 11, 2024, the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee discussed the eleven required affordable housing strategies, ranging from expedited permitting to development of affordable housing near major transportation corridors. The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee also reviewed new housing related incentives and permitting related legislation adopted by the Board of County Commissioners since 2017.

The Public Hearing held before the Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) was convened on September 11, 2024, at 10:00 AM at the Overtown Transit Village, 1st Floor Training Room at 701 NW 1st Court, Miami, FL 33136. The Public Hearing was advertised in English, Spanish, Creole languages within three publications of general circulation and on the County's website. A copy of the required advertisement is attached as Exhibit A.

The Report was received by the AHAB on August 22, 2024. The report was delivered to Board of County Commissioners in December 2024.

## STATE LEGISLATION

On February 28, 2024, the Florida Legislature approved amendments to the Live Local Act. The Live Local Act states that local governments are required to allow affordable housing developments in commercial, industrial and mixed-use zoning districts.

On May 8, 2024, Anthony De Yurre of Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP gave a special presentation to the AHAB. Following are important highlights from Anthony De Yurre presentation reflecting 2024 Live Local Act enhancements.

- For Sale Market Rate Units Permitted
- Floor Area Ratio – 150% of Max Permitted in Municipality
- Height Protections for Single-Family Neighborhoods
- Development Bonuses Administratively Approved
- Parking – Transit Oriented Development No parking required
- Parking – Reduced 20% within ½ Mile of a Major Transportation Hub
- Airport Flight Paths or Noise Contours – Prohibit Live Local Act Zoning Benefits
- Tax Exemption Expanded to Include Land and Common Areas



# COMMITTEE INCENTIVE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Miami-Dade County has implemented and continues to refine affordable housing incentive strategies to reduce the barriers to the production of affordable housing within our community. Of the eleven recommended incentive strategies, ten are already implemented in Miami-Dade County, as summarized in the Annual Housing Incentives Strategy Checklist below.

Annual Housing Incentives Strategy Checklist		
Affordable Housing Incentives	Does MDC have these?	
	Yes	No
The processing of approvals of development orders or permits for affordable housing projects is expedited to greater degree than other projects, as provided in s. 163.3177(6)(f)3.	Yes	
All allowable fee waivers provided: The modification of impact-fee requirements, including reduction or waiver of fees and alternative methods of fee payment for the development or construction of affordable housing.	Yes	
The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.	Yes	
The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.	Yes	
The allowance of Affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.	Yes	
The reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.	Yes	
The allowance of flexible lot configurations, including zero-lot-line configurations for affordable housing.	Yes	
The modification of street requirements for affordable housing.		No
The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.	Yes	
The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.	Yes	
The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.	Yes	

The recommendations outlined below were derived from multiple discussions held between staff and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee. Any recommendations approved by the Board of County Commissioners are used to amend the Local Housing Assistance Plan, applicable elements of the Comprehensive Plan, and other ordinances and/or resolutions.

	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
<b>Incentive 1</b>	The processing of approvals of development orders or permits for affordable housing projects is expedited to greater degree than other projects, as provided in s. 163.3177(6)(f)3.	<b>Expedited Zoning and Permitting Review</b> Under the current process, all RER permit applications for affordable housing, infill housing, & workforce housing projects are processed under the "Expedited Plan Review", with a required turnaround timeframe.

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The requirements for expedited plan review are formalized and are now a part of departmental standard operating procedures. Workforce Housing workshops are held monthly by the Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER) Department, to inform developers of both the requirements and the incentives available for pursuing this type of affordable housing.

“The timely coordination of the many elements necessary to arrive at a Certificate of Occupancy for the totality of a construction project is one of the biggest challenges that the development community faces in realizing any project on a given schedule. Developers are responsible for coordinating the services of specialized design and construction contractors, potentially requiring expertise in over a dozen areas such as zoning, platting, traffic, paving & drainage, environmental engineering, water and sewer and fire engineering in addition to the traditional building trades. Predictability and transparency in the governmental plan review and permit processes associated with these multi-jurisdictional areas is hence a key element to any developer's ability to successfully execute a project within a given timeframe. The County has consequently focused in recent years on using technology to create a more accessible, efficient, and transparent process. Efforts have been focused on conversion from paper-based plan review to electronic and concurrent systems with public facing portals. This has been the principal means of expediting and making more uniform the totality of the plan review and approval process associated with permitting. Once a plan review process is electronically tracked, applicants can readily gain access to the status

and disposition of their submittals via online platforms. This approach, emphasizing transparency and predictability in the plan review process, benefits affordable projects as well as all project types and has either been implemented or is being pursued across all County departments involved in the development process at this time.” This quote from the Study of The Permitting Process for Affordable Housing Projects, completed by the RER Department and presented to the Board of County Commissioners in October of 2020, encapsulates the complexity of the multi-disciplinary process, and the advancements toward a more efficient and accountable plan review process.

The electronic plan review system, Energov, tracks the review timeframes for each permitting department, and is used to share automated 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., review status reports with supervisors, affordable housing projects are flagged within the system for expedited review. The PHCD Staff assigned to the AHAB, also serves as the departmental liaison to the RER Department and completes the Workforce Housing plan reviews.

With the 2019 Ordinance changes, affordable housing developments are processed as expedited permitting and are afforded the same density bonus allowed for workforce housing projects.

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to create an affordable housing department for affordable housing approvals to expedite the process. The AHAC recommends for the County to continue implementing the current incentives and strategies to reduce barriers to the construction of affordable housing units.

	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
Incentive 2	All allowable fee waivers provided: The modification of impact-fee requirements, including reduction or waiver of fees and alternative methods of fee payment for the development or construction of affordable housing.	<u>Impact Fee Exemptions</u> Under Chapter 33 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, residential developments, which provide affordable housing, or the portion thereof, are exempt from most impact fees.

### UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee continues to recommend the following:

- Miami-Dade County shall waive all Regulatory and Economic Resources – Environmental Resources Management (DERM) review fees for contaminated sites provided that the site is being developed for affordable housing.

## COMMITTEE INCENTIVE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

Workforce housing units provided under the Workforce Housing Program may qualify for a two-year deferral or a full exemption of the road impact fees. Only the workforce housing units, and not market rate units, are eligible to receive a deferral or exemption of the road impact fee.

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to continue implementing the current incentives.

	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
Incentive 3	The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.	<u>Voluntary and Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning Programs</u> Under the current process, density bonuses are provided in exchange for a commitment to provide workforce housing (wfh) units or a payment in lieu; Urban Center development must provide a min of 12.5% of units as wfh; additional density bonuses are available for for very low / low income development & infill housing.

### UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

Not all urban center districts require the provision of workforce housing. However, the RER Department allows those districts that do not require the 12.5% set aside requirement to provide 10% of the units for workforce housing and receive the density bonus. This has proven an effective tool to encourage this type of development.

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to continue implementing the current incentive.



Incentive 4	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.	<p>Developers may apply to Water and Sewer Department (WASD) for a developer agreement to reserve infrastructure capacity. The reservation is good for one year and provides the points of connection. Reservation can be extended but the developer must keep the project active.</p> <p>The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan provides significant Community Development Block Grant funding support for water and sewer infrastructure improvements in low- and moderate-income areas, and for housing rehabilitation to include connecting low- and moderate-income homeowners to the sewer system.</p>

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee continues to recommend the following in 2024:

- The reservation of infrastructure capacity for new construction and preservation of affordable housing through rehabilitation and redevelopment for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.
- Miami-Dade County should consider, as a preemptive move against slums and blight, permitting the redevelopment of failed commercial centers as community centered affordable housing.

Incentive 5	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The allowance of Affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.	<p><u>Accessory Units Under Comprehensive Master Plan (CDMP) and Zoning Code</u></p> <p>The County's CDMP Land Use and Housing Elements provide for accessory dwelling units</p>

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends the County to continue implementing the current incentive. In addition, the committee further recommends the following action(s):

- Miami-Dade County should encourage accessory dwelling units in all residential zoning districts, as a mechanism to intersperse affordable housing within market rate communities.

<i>Incentive 6</i>	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.	<u>Parking / Setback Reductions</u> Under the current process, parking & setback requirements are reduced within the Fixed-Guideway Rapid Transit System Zone and Community Urban Center Districts, developments for the elderly & disabled.

# COMMITTEE INCENTIVE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to continue implementing the current incentives.

Incentive 7	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The allowance of flexible lot configurations, including zero-lot-line configurations for affordable housing.	Current Code allows for flexible lot configurations to allow for more efficient use of land and make available needed housing at a more affordable cost, but not zero-lot-line. 2020 updates to the workforce housing ordinance amends intensity standards by further reducing certain minimum lot coverages, updating max allowable height, eliminating max FAR, & increasing flexibility.

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to allow greater flexibility for multi-family properties on public land.

Incentive 8	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The modification of street requirements for affordable housing.	<u>Street Requirements</u> Modification of street requirements for affordable housing remains under AHAB's review.

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends the County to continue implementing the current incentive. In addition, the committee further recommends the following action(s):

- Miami-Dade County should consider permitting minor variations of street requirements for affordable housing, by administrative approval.
- PHCD will invite the Departments of Transportation and Public Works, Water and Sewer, and Regulatory and Economic Resources to the September 11, 2024 AHAB meeting to discuss this incentive.

Incentive 9	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.	<u>Impact of Proposed Land Development and Infrastructure Legislation on Affordable Housing Development</u> current process requires a fiscal impact analysis must accompany all proposed legislation.

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to continue implementing the current incentives.

<i>Incentive 10</i>	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.	<u>Lists of County-Owned Property Suitable for Affordable Housing Development</u> current County and State legislation requires the preparation of an inventory list.

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to widen distribution of the inventory list by social media promotions.

<i>Incentive 11</i>	Required Statutory Incentive	Current Process
	The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.	<u>Policies Supporting Development Near Transit Hubs and Major Employment Centers and Mixed-Use Developments</u> Under the current process, Community Urban Center Districts, the Fixed Guideway Rapid Transit System zones include provisions to incentivise affordable housing; funding solicitations provide bonus points for proximity to transit.

# COMMITTEE INCENTIVE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## UPDATES AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION

On February 20, 2019, PHCD provided to the Board of County Commissioners a 10-Year plan to increase the number of workforce and affordable housing units within transit corridors. Identifying county owned and privately owned properties within a two-mile radius of transit corridors meeting appropriate criteria, estimating that more than 67,000 housing units could be developed within the identified areas. In support of transit accessible affordable housing developments, within each funding solicitation PHCD provides weighted criteria, for project applications near transit.

- The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee recommends for the County to continue implementing the current process

## OTHER WORKFORCE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVES

The County may release or satisfy any County lien placed on a publicly or privately owned property if the property has been approved for the Workforce Housing Development Program and the qualified developer applies to the County for release of County liens and citations after the sale or lease of the eligible property to an eligible household and records in the public records one or more covenants or declarations of restrictions in the manner described and approved by the County.

County liens that may be released or satisfied include but are not limited to civil restitution liens; code enforcement liens; demolition liens; hospital liens; judgment liens; lot clearing liens; minimum housing standard liens; mortgage liens; nuisance abatement liens; public defender liens; stormwater utility liens; waste liens; water and sewer liens; and welfare liens.

# EXHIBIT A

## PUBLIC HEARING ADVERTISEMENT



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Biden returns to campaign trail, navigating new Harris dynamic

BY HADRIANA LOWENKRON AND SKYLAR WOODHOUSE  
Bloomberg News

President Joe Biden returned to the campaign trail navigating a strange, bittersweet dynamic: how to transition from incumbent presidential nominee to hype man for Vice President Kamala Harris.

The pair took the stage together Thursday for the first time since Biden ended his reelection bid and endorsed Harris at an event outside Washington, D.C.

The two struck the right notes during their event, with Biden casting Harris as “an incredible partner” in the “progress we made.”

“She’s going to make one hell of a president,” he said to cheers from the audience.

Biden is eager to help Harris defeat Republican Donald Trump but must be careful not to overshadow a candidate who must make her own mark on the trail.

Harris faces an even tougher challenge of appearing loyal to a boss she is replacing while also distancing herself from his less popular policies. Cru-

cial to her reelection effort is claiming credit for popular accomplishments over the past four years without dulling the enthusiasm from voters previously dispirited by the prospect of reelecting Biden, the 81-year-old president whose popularity waned under the weight of the postpandemic economic recovery.

The dynamic is further complicated by the personal relationship of two leaders who find themselves on divergent political paths.

Biden was stung by his defenestration at the hands of top Democratic Party officials following his disastrous debate against Trump.

His painstakingly slow exit of the race underscored the extent to which he remained for weeks convinced that he still represented his party’s best chance against the Republican challenger. Recent weeks have seen the president withdraw from the national stage, taking long vacations in his home state of Delaware and largely avoiding public events.

The president also referenced the worries about his



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President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris campaign together in Largo, Maryland, on Thursday.

age that saw his own party pressure him to abandon his political ambitions.

“I served in the Senate for 270 years. I know I only look 40,” Biden quipped to laughter, before adding, “For the longest time, I was too damn young.”

“Now I’m too damn old,” he said.

Biden also personally experienced the pain of serving a president who lacked confidence in their running mate’s political abilities, after former President Barack Obama discouraged him from seeking the presidency.

Harris, for her part, must

straddle the line between loyalty to a president who remains popular with elements of her party’s base — but risks returning as an albatross with key demographics including young voters and voters of color troubled by inflation and Middle East policy during Biden’s presidency.

In Largo, Maryland, on Thursday, Harris spoke before Biden, praising him

as an “extraordinary president” as he stood beside her on the dais and spurring the audience in chants of “Thank you, Joe.”

“I could speak all afternoon about the person that I am standing on this stage with,” Harris said. “There’s a lot of love in this room for our president.”

The unconventional dynamic is not dissimilar to the 2000 election, where Vice President Al Gore, the Democratic nominee, had to navigate the paradox of voters’ appreciation for former President Bill Clinton’s economic and policy record, even as his affair with intern Monica Lewinsky created a major liability.

“Harris needs to do the exact same thing,” said Christian Grose, political science and public policy professor at the University of Southern California. “The issues are different, but Harris needs to tie

herself to the popular parts of the Biden policy agenda and distance herself as much as possible from both the personal part, his capacity to serve, and some of the less popular policy issues like the economy and potentially immigration, depending on the state.”

As Gore — who ultimately lost his presidential bid — proved, it can be a difficult balance to strike. Biden continues to serve and can make decisions, particularly on foreign policy, that will impact the campaign.

The issue of U.S. support for Israel’s war in Gaza, which has already divided many Democrats, could be a particular challenge.

“She has her own views as the presidential candidate,” said Tony Coelho, a former congressman who managed Gore’s 2000 campaign. “You have to keep saying it and the general public will accept it.”



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 8:30 a.m., at the Pinecrest Municipal Center, 12645 Pinecrest Parkway, Pinecrest, Florida to consider a proposed ordinance on Second Reading to amend the Land Development Regulations, and a resolution relating to the Pinecrest by the Sea Security Guard Special Taxing District, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 25, “STORMWATER UTILITY,” OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE METHODOLOGY AND CALCULATION OF STORMWATER UTILITY FEES AND THE METHOD OF COLLECTION FOR SUCH FEES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PINECREST BY THE SEA SECURITY GUARD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT (ALSO KNOWN AS THE GABLES BY THE SEA-PINECREST SECURITY GUARD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT); PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY, DEFINITIONS, AND INTERPRETATION; ESTIMATING THE COST OF THE SECURITY SERVICES TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2024; ESTABLISHING THE METHOD OF ASSESSING SECURITY SERVICE COSTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT; DETERMINING THAT SUCH REAL PROPERTY DERIVES A SPECIAL BENEFIT FROM THE SECURITY SERVICES; DIRECTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO PREPARE A PRELIMINARY SECURITY SERVICES ASSESSMENT ROLL BASED UPON THE METHODOLOGY SET FORTH HEREIN; ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF THE SECURITY SERVICES ASSESSMENTS AND THE METHOD OF COLLECTION FOR SUCH ASSESSMENTS; DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interested persons are invited to attend the public hearings or provide written comments on the agenda items to the Village Clerk. Affected parties may appear at the public hearings, be heard and submit evidence in relation to the application or agenda items. Copies of the proposed amendments, staff report, proposed ordinance, and all related materials are available for public inspection during business hours at Village Hall, 12645 Pinecrest Parkway, Pinecrest, Florida. Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Planning Director at 305.234.2121.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Village Clerk at 305.234.2121 not later than seven business days prior to such proceeding.

Pursuant to F.S. 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Village Council, with respect to any matter considered at such hearing or meeting, the person will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, that person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made; such record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Priscilla Torres, MMC  
Village Clerk

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY’S 2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE  
PUBLIC NOTICE INFORMATION

Notice is being given that Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) will hold the following public meetings for Miami-Dade County’s 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI):

1st Round of Regional Meetings

Central Regional Meeting

Tuesday, September 3, 2024  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Arcola Lakes Regional Library  
8240 NW 7th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33150  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting1>

North Regional Meeting

Wednesday, September 4, 2024  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
North Dade Regional Library  
2455 NW 183rd Street, Miami Gardens, Florida 33056  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting2>

South Regional Meeting

Thursday, September 5, 2024  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
South Dade Regional Library  
10750 SW 211th Street, Cutler Bay, Florida 33189  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting3>

Northeast Regional Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2024  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
Oak Grove Park, Father Gerard Jean-Juste Community Center  
690 NE 159th Street, Miami, Florida 33162  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting4>

2nd Round of Regional Meetings

South Regional Meeting

Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
South Dade Regional Library  
10750 SW 211th Street, Cutler Bay, Florida 33189  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting5>

Central Regional Meeting

Thursday, October 10, 2024  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Arcola Lakes Regional Library  
8240 NW 7th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33150  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting6>

North Regional Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2024  
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM  
North Dade Regional Library  
2455 NW 183rd Street, Miami Gardens, Florida 33056  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting7>

Northeast Regional Meeting

Thursday, October 17, 2024  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
Oak Grove Park, Father Gerard Jean-Juste Community Center  
690 NE 159th Street, Miami, Florida 33162  
Connect via Zoom:  
<https://miamidade.live/ConPlanPublicMeeting8>

The purpose of these meetings is to receive input that will shape future investments in affordable housing, economic development activities, and public services in Miami-Dade County.

The 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan is the County’s five-year strategic plan with goals for housing, community development, and homeless prevention outcomes. The Consolidated Plan identifies general community needs, such as affordable housing, public services, employment, and public facilities, and provides a strategy for how U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds will be used to meet these needs over the next five years.

The AI is a comprehensive review and assessment of the jurisdiction’s laws, regulations, policies, procedures, and practices, and how these affect the location, availability, and accessibility of housing. In addition, it analyzes how conditions, both private and public, may affect fair housing choice.

Please direct any questions to PHCD via e-mail at: [communitydevelopmentservices@miamidade.gov](mailto:communitydevelopmentservices@miamidade.gov).

PHCD does not discriminate based on race, sex, color, religion, marital status, national origin, disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, age, pregnancy, familial status in the access to, admissions to, or employment in housing programs or activities. If you need a sign language interpreter or materials in accessible format for this event, call (786) 469-2155 at least five days in advance. TDD/TTY users may contact the Florida Relay Service at 800-955-8771.



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TOWN OF SURFSIDE  
NOTICE OF ZONING IN PROGRESS  
Chapter 90 - Zoning Code

Pursuant to Section 90-6 of the Code of the Town of Surfside, Florida (the “Code”), the Town of Surfside hereby gives Notice of Zoning in Progress relative to a proposed ordinance impacting the Zoning code. The proposed ordinance seeks to alter the regulations within the H30A and H30B zoning districts, amongst others.

Pursuant to Section 90-6 of the Code, Zoning in Progress *shall* apply to applications for development approvals filed after the date of this notice’s publication in the Miami Herald. Zoning in Progress shall not apply to the extent that vested rights are established pursuant to Section 90-55(11) of the Code.

Public hearings for first reading by the Town Commission, review by the Planning and Zoning Board and Local Planning Agency, and second reading by the Town Commission will be noticed and held in the coming weeks. Interested parties may appear at the Public Hearings and be heard with respect to the proposed Ordinance.

Dated this 16th day of August, 2024

Sandra N. McCready, MMC  
Town Clerk



Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD TO ADOPT ITS 2024 EVALUATION AND FINAL LOCAL HOUSING INCENTIVE STRATEGIES RECOMMENDATIONS

PUBLIC NOTICE INFORMATION

In accordance with Florida Statutes Section 420.9076(5), the Miami-Dade County Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) will hold a public hearing on September 11, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The public is invited to attend either in person at Overtown Transit Village, North Tower, 701 N.W. 1st Court, Miami Florida 33136, First Floor Training Room, or to attend virtually via zoom at: <https://miamidade.zoom.us/j/85485390572>

The purpose of this public hearing is for the advisory committee to adopt its State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) evaluation and final local housing incentive strategies recommendations. The AHAB Board reviews the following local housing incentive strategies annually, and these recommendations are to be considered at the hearing by the advisory committee.

- The processing of approvals of development orders or permits for affordable housing projects is expedited to greater degree than other projects, as provided in s. 163.3177(6)(f)3.
- All allowable fee waivers provided: The modification of impact-fee requirements, including reduction or waiver of fees and alternative methods of fee payment for the development or construction of affordable housing.
- The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.
- The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.
- The allowance of affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.
- The reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.
- The allowance of flexible lot configurations, including zero-lot-line configurations for affordable housing.
- The modification of street requirements for affordable housing.
- The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.
- The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.
- The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.

The 2024 Housing Incentives Strategy and SHIP report is available for review online at <https://www.miamidade.gov/global/housing/notices.page>, and at 701 NW 1st Court, 14th Floor, Miami, Florida 33136, by calling (786) 469-4141, or by requesting a copy via email at [CommunityDevelopmentServices@miamidade.gov](mailto:CommunityDevelopmentServices@miamidade.gov).

The public is invited to attend and comment. Comments may also be submitted in writing until September 10, 2024 to the attention of Ms. Tangie White, Division Director at Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD), 701 NW 1st Court, 14th Floor, Miami Florida 33136 or via e-mail [communitydevelopmentservices@miamidade.gov](mailto:communitydevelopmentservices@miamidade.gov).

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## Miami-Dade County Department of Public Housing and Community Development Loan Terms and Conditions for FY 2023 SURTAX SHIP and HOME

### FY 2023 Terms for REPAID Loan funds in accordance with Section 17-02 of the Code

#### Multi-Family Rental Applicants

- 0% interest during construction years 1-2
- 0.75% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow years 3-30
- Full principal due at maturity

#### All Applicants using repaid loan funds

- Proposed development must meet Minimum Threshold requirements.
- REPAID loan funds will be included in the total County funding for the leveraging calculation.

Surtax SHIP and HOME financing options	
<b>Multi-family Rental</b>	
Option 1	For-Profit and Not-For-Profit Developers
Rate	<u>9% LIHTC deals and market rate deals</u> <u>Construction:</u> 0% during construction, years 1-2. <u>Permanent:</u> 1.5% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow, with another .50% interest accruing and due at maturity; (30-year loan term) <u>Tax-exempt bond financed projects with 4% LIHTC transactions and all other financing</u> <u>Construction:</u> 0% during construction, years 1-2. <u>Permanent:</u> 1% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow 1% interest accruing and due at maturity; (30-year loan term) Full principal due at maturity
Term	1–2-year construction – 30-year perm
Affordability	Subject to rental regulatory agreement for set aside units during the entire 30-year term Subject to FHFC terms, if applicable. Subject to subsidy layering review.
Notes	Minimum debt service ratio 1.10 to Maximum 1.6. Applicable to the first 15 years. (Subject to the department's discretion) Payments from Development Cash Flow will be considered payments that are due only from available Cash Flow after the payment of all other property expenses, including debt, operating expenses, and deferred Developer fee. Interest only payments will be simple interest (non-amortizing) Ten percent of the Developer fee must be deferred provided that it can be paid back in 10 years.
<b>Multi-family Rental</b>	
Option 2	For-Profit and Not-For-Profit Developers
Rate	<u>For both 4% LIHTC, 9% LIHTC deals and all other financing.</u> <u>Construction:</u> 0% interest during construction years 1-2. <u>Permanent:</u> 1% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow years 3-17, at 0.5% interest rate. Principal and Interest payments from Development Cash Flow yrs. 18-30 (principal deferred for initial 17 years) Full principal due at maturity



Term	1–2-year construction - 30-year perm
Affordability	Subject to rental regulatory agreement for set aside units during the entire 30-year term Subject to FHFC terms, if applicable. Subject to subsidy layering review.
Notes	Minimum debt service ratio 1.10 to Maximum 1.6. Applicable to the first 15 years. (Subject to the department's discretion) Payments from Development Cash Flow will be considered payments that are due only from available Cash Flow after the payment of all other property expenses, including debt, operating expenses, and deferred Developer fee. Interest only payments will be simple interest (non-amortizing) Ten percent of the Developer fee must be deferred provided that it can be paid back in 10 years.
<b>Multi-family Rental</b> Homeless and Public Housing For-Profit Developers	
Rate	Construction: 0% during construction, years 1-2. Permanent: 1% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow years 3-30 Full principal due at maturity.
Term	1–2-year construction – 30-year perm Public Housing projects can carry debt based on operating subsidy not on real estate debt.
Affordability	Subject to rental regulatory agreement. Subject to a 30-year affordability and occupancy restriction period. Subject to FHFC terms, if applicable. Subject to subsidy layering review.
Notes	If borrower ceases its use of the property as a homeless facility, then or at any time, upon written notice from the County, the loan, including any accrued interest, if any, shall become immediately due and payable.
<b>Multi-family Rental</b> Homeless and Public Housing Not-For-Profit Developers	
Rate	Construction: 0% during construction, years 1-2. Permanent: 0.5% interest only payments from Development Cash Flow years 3-30 Full principal due at maturity.
Term	1–2-year construction – 30-year perm Public Housing projects can carry debt based on operating subsidy not on real estate debt.
Affordability	Subject to rental regulatory agreement. Subject to a 30-year affordability and occupancy restriction period. Subject to FHFC terms, if applicable. Subject to subsidy layering review.
Notes	If borrower ceases its use of the property as a homeless facility, then or at any time, upon written notice from the County, the loan, including any accrued interest, if any, shall become immediately due and payable.

**\*Debt Ratio may be modified or waived at discretion of PHCD.**