

**F. Consent Agenda - Housing and Human Services
ITEM 8.**



**AGENDA REPORT
July 23, 2019**

Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Application(s)

SUBJECT:

Approval, Re: Submission of Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery application(s)

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no impact to the General Fund. These are Federal grant funds which will pass through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and/or their Agents to Brevard County and will be recognized when awarded.

DEPT/OFFICE:

Housing and Human Services

REQUESTED ACTION:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve: (1) the Director of the Housing and Human Services Department as the Executive Official with Authority to sign Applications, certifications, and any other documents required for submission; (2) the County Manager to sign all contracts, agreements, amendments, and modifications with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and/or their Agents (for example, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation) upon the approval of the County Attorney's Office and Risk Management; (3) the Housing and Human Services Department Director to sign all contracts, agreements, amendments, and modifications related to awarded projects upon review and approval from the County Attorney's Office and Risk Management; (4) the Housing and Human Services Department to complete any activities required for project implementation (for example, environmental reviews, public notices, etc.); (5) the appointment of the Brevard County Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board as the Citizen Advisory Task Force; and (6) the County Manager to approve all budget change requests related to Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funds.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION and BACKGROUND:

Following a major disaster, Congress can appropriate funds through the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program to satisfy a portion of unmet need that remains after other federal assistance such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Small Business Administration, or private insurance have been allocated. The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity is the lead agency and responsible entity for administering the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funds

allocated to the state.

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development uses the best available data to identify and calculate unmet needs for disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure, and housing and economic revitalization. Based on this assessment, Housing and Urban Development announced that the State of Florida would receive an initial allocation of \$615,922,000 (increased in August 2018 to \$773,598,00) in disaster recovery funds to assist in recovery from the hurricane. Furthermore, on April 10, 2018, Housing and Urban Development notified the state of Florida that it will receive an additional allocation of \$791,000,000 in disaster recovery funds to assist in recovery from the hurricane. To ensure the funds assist the most impacted areas as outlined in the Federal Register, 80 percent of funding awarded to the state will go to the Housing and Urban Development-identified Most Impacted and Distressed counties and zip codes. However, per the Federal Register, the funds must be used to address unmet housing needs before infrastructure or economic revitalization.

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity has announced multiple Request for Application processes for funding allocated through the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program. For example, \$85 million for an Infrastructure Repair Program, \$75 million for a Voluntary Home Buyout Program, and \$140 million (through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation) for the creation of Affordable Workforce Housing. These applications have very abbreviated application periods (less than 30 days) and specific requirements (for example: location, public notices, public hearings, citizen input) which can differ between applications. Additional steps include: a publicly noticed meeting with all municipalities within Brevard (Infrastructure Repair Program), the appointment of a Citizen Advisory Task Force (Infrastructure Repair Program) to allow for input and recommendations on all phases of the infrastructure projects, following a detailed Citizen Participation Plan (Voluntary Home Buyout Program). Due dates for responses to these initial announcements range from August 15, 2019 through August 30, 2019.

It appears that the Requests for Application identified above are from the initial allocation of \$773,598,000 and it is anticipated that there will be additional opportunities in the future from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and their Agents. The approval of this request will allow Brevard County to be more responsive to any Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding made available directly through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and/or their Agents (for example, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation). Approval of this request may not allow for submission under every grant opportunity under the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program.

CLERK TO THE BOARD INSTRUCTIONS:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▣ **Irma Eligible Areas**
- ▣ **Infrastructure Application Guide**
- ▣ **Voluntary Home Buyout Application Guide**
- ▣ **Affordable Housing RFA**



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ian Golden, Housing and Human Services Director

RE: Item F.8., Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Disaster Recovery Application(s)

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 23, 2019, directed you as the Executive Official with Authority to sign Applications, certifications, and any other documents required for submission; authorized the County Manager to sign all contracts, agreement, amendments, and modifications with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and/or their Agents, upon the approval of the County Attorney's Office and Risk Management; authorized you to sign all contracts, agreements, amendments, and modifications related to award projects upon review and approval from the County Attorney's Office and Risk Management; directed the Housing and Human Services Department to complete any activities required for project implementation; appointed the CDBG Advisory Board as the Citizen Advisory Task Force; and authorized the County Manager to approve all budget changes requested in relation to CDBG – Disaster Recovery funds. Enclosed is the CDBG – Disaster Recovery Application.

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

/ds

Encl. (1)

cc: County Manager

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Hurricane Irma Impacted Communities Eligible for Assistance





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**Application Guide for
Community Development Block Grant -
Disaster Recovery for
Hurricane Irma- Infrastructure
Competitive Cycle**



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I. INTRODUCTION

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) was awarded \$85,819,653 in Infrastructure repair funding through the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address unmet disaster recovery needs related to damage from Hurricane Irma. Eligible applicants in the following counties and zip codes may apply for funding based on the terms and conditions in this application:

Eligible Counties and Zip Codes that Experienced Storm Damage					
Alachua	Collier *	Hardee	Lee *	Okeechobee	Sarasota
Baker	Columbia	Hendry	Levy	Orange *	Seminole
Bradford	DeSoto	Hernando	Manatee	Osceola *	St. Johns
Brevard *	Dixie	Highlands	Marion	Palm Beach *	St. Lucie *
Broward *	Duval *	Hillsborough *	Martin	Pasco	Sumter
Charlotte	Flagler	Indian River	Miami- Dade *	Pinellas	Suwannee
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Units of General Local Government (UGLG) including counties, municipalities, water management districts, and water authorities located in the eligible areas that experienced Hurricane Irma storm damage are eligible to apply for funding based on the terms and conditions in this application. Applicants must provide a detailed description of damage caused by Hurricane Irma. Applications should include plans to mitigate against future damage and show how the proposed project will make the community more resilient in the future. Projects requesting funds for damage caused by deferred maintenance will not be considered. A UGLG may only submit one project application.

DEO encourages all prospective applicants to read the Irma CDBG-DR Action Plan located at: <http://www.floridajobs.org/community-planning-and-development/assistance-for-governments-and-organizations/disaster-recovery-initiative>.

CDBG-DR funding for this application covers Florida's infrastructure efforts for Hurricane Irma (September 2017, Presidential Disaster Declaration 4337).

II. BACKGROUND

Following a major disaster, Congress can appropriate funds through the CDBG-DR program to satisfy a portion of unmet need that remains after other federal assistance such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Small Business Administration (SBA) or private insurance have been allocated. DEO is the lead agency and responsible entity for administering the CDBG-DR funds allocated to the state.

HUD uses the best available data to identify and calculate unmet needs for disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing and economic revitalization. Based on this assessment, HUD announced that the State of Florida would receive an allocation of \$615,922,000 in disaster recovery funds to assist in recovery from the hurricane. Furthermore, on April 10, 2018, HUD notified the state of Florida that it will receive an additional allocation of \$791,000,000 in disaster recovery funds to assist in recovery from the hurricane.

To ensure the funds assist the most impacted areas as outlined in the Federal Register, 80 percent of funding awarded to the state will go to the HUD-identified Most Impacted and Distressed counties and zip codes.

III. GENERAL INFORMATION

The availability of the funding was formally announced by publication in the Federal Register, Volume 83, Number 28, and Volume 83, Number 157 on February 9 and August 14, 2018, respectively. The Federal Register may be accessed online at:

<http://www.floridajobs.org/community-planning-and-development/assistance-for-governments-and-organizations/disaster-recovery-initiative> .

Federal requirements clearly state that funds may be used only for disaster relief and long-term recovery in communities affected by the specified disaster. Requirements provide that funds be directed to areas with the greatest need. All CDBG-DR funded eligible activities

must tie to storm damage as specified in and not prior to the Presidential Disaster Declaration 4377 for Irma on September 10, 2017 (<https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4337>). All projects must be directly related to Hurricane Irma. CDBG-DR funds cannot be used to replace or reimburse any available funding, such as FEMA Individual and Public Assistance (IA/PA). However, in certain situations, CDBG-DR funds can serve as an eligible match.

IV. HUD CDBG-DR PROGRAM AND PROJECT FUNDING DIRECTIVES

In response to HUD directives, the action plan directs DEO to fund projects and programs that:

1. Provide the maximum feasible priority to activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income families.

The aggregate use of the CDBG-DR funds made available under this application shall principally benefit low- and moderate-income families in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the grant amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons.

2. Focus first on unmet housing needs.

Federal Register Volume 83, Number 28 dated February 9, 2018 states:

“Grantees must propose an allocation of CDBG–DR funds that primarily considers and addresses unmet housing needs. A Grantee may also allocate funds to address unmet economic revitalization and infrastructure needs, but in doing so, the grantee must identify how unmet housing needs will be addressed or how its economic revitalization or infrastructure activities will contribute to the long-term recovery and restoration of housing in the most impacted and distressed areas.”

3. Projects or programs must address a clear unmet need:

- Tied to Hurricane Irma,
- Primarily serving low- to moderate- income (LMI) populations, and
- Primarily serving housing activities.

V. THRESHOLD AND SCORING CRITERIA

DEO will apply a two-phased process to review applications.

First, proposals must first pass HUD CDBG-DR **Threshold Compliance Criteria**.

Second, DEO will review and score each proposal based on **Scoring Criteria**.

If a proposal does not meet any of the Threshold Criteria, DEO cannot proceed to score it for funding consideration.

The maximum score for Scoring Criteria is 115 points.

A. CDBG-DR Threshold Compliance Criteria

1. Projects must meet a CDBG-DR National Objective such as:

- Benefit to low- / moderate-income individuals

- Benefit to low- / moderate-income areas
- Address an urgent need

For more information: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Basically-CDBG-Chapter-21-CDBG-DR.pdf>

2. Infrastructure Projects must be considered as CDBG-DR Eligible Activities.

See below for more detail on the range of subset eligible activities within the above noted category. For more information:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CDBG-Disaster-Recovery-Overview.pdf>.

3. Projects or programs must address a clear unmet need:

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B. Scoring Criteria

Once a proposal is determined to satisfy CDBG-DR's Threshold Compliance Criteria, then DEO will apply scoring based on the following Scoring Criteria. The maximum Scoring Criteria score is 115.

Scoring will focus on the following categories:

- Overall LMI benefit (Percent LMI benefit of the activity)
- Project readiness
- Management Capacity
- Local Participation
- Project Nature
- Special Designation
- Project Impact

A chart on the next page further defines each category and lists the maximum point allocation for each scoring category.

		Max. Points
1.	<p>Overall LMI benefit (Percent LMI benefit of the activity): Higher LMI benefit of the activity will receive higher score. For example, a project with 100 percent LMI benefit would be scored higher than a project with 65 percent LMI benefit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 51%-69% LMI population served – 10 points • 70%-89% LMI population served – 20 points • 90-100% LMI population served – 30 points 	30
2.	<p>Project readiness: Planning is complete for the project, or the required permits are applied for, or the project is underway through the FEMA PA program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning is complete and the project is ready to break ground or is already underway – 25 points • Work underway through the FEMA PA program and request for funds is to be used as a local match – 20 points • All necessary permit applications are submitted to the necessary entities – 10 points • Initial planning is complete and all consultants are hired – 5 points 	25
3.	<p>Management Capacity: The local entity has the capacity to complete the project and the ability to perform required maintenance.</p>	15
4.	<p>Citizen Advisory Task Force (CATF): An applicant can score 10 points if it has appointed a CATF to provide input on all phases of the infrastructure project including community needs and make recommendations to the local governing body before the application is submitted. The task force must be comprised of residents of the applying jurisdiction, no elected officials of the jurisdiction and only one member can be an employee of the applicant. The CATF must have at least five (5) members and at least 51% of the members must participate in meetings. Minutes of the meetings must be provided to obtain the CATF points.</p>	10
5.	<p>Project Nature: Proposed project seeks to improve storm water, waste water, drinking water or sewer systems.</p>	10
6.	<p>Special Designation: An applicant can score a maximum of 10 points if the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is located in a Rural Community (see §288.0656, F.S.) – 5 points • Is located in an Area of Critical State Concern (see §380.05, F.S.) – 5 Points 	10
7.	<p>Project Impact: The impact of the project on the community should be significant, including but not limited to: economic impact (businesses involved in design, engineering and construction; creation of jobs; savings of economic losses attributable to service interruptions, e.g. industries dependent on clean water and waterways), community resiliency, etc.</p>	15
Total Maximum Score:		115

Below is a sample scoring Sheet.

A. Threshold Eligibility Criteria		
DEO will apply the following Threshold Criteria to determine if a program or project is eligible for CDBG-DR funding. If a proposal does not meet any one of the below Threshold criteria, DEO cannot proceed with considering it for funding.		
1.	CDBG-DR National Objective: Proposed programs or projects meet CDBG-DR National Objective	Yes
2.	CDBG -DR Eligible Activity: Proposed programs or projects are eligible activities in action plan	Yes
3	Unmet Need: Proposed programs or projects addresses unmet need tied to storm disaster	Yes
Threshold Determination:		Proceed. Meets Threshold Criteria.
B. SCORING Criteria		
Florida DEO will apply the following Scoring Criteria to determine if a program or project is suitable for CDBG-DR funding.		Max. Score Points
1.	Overall LMI	30
2.	Project readiness	25
3.	Management capacity	15
4.	Citizen Advisory Task Force (CATF)	10
5.	Project nature	10
6.	Special Designation	10
7.	Project impact	15
Total Capacity Score:		115

VI. THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES AND ZIP CODES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CDBG-DR ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS APPLICATION:

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VII. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Units of General Local Government (UGLG) including counties, municipalities, water districts,

and water authorities located in Irma eligible areas may apply for funding for projects and/or programs that address unmet needs tied to Irma. A UGLG may only submit one project application.

Proposals for funding may only serve eligible counties and zip codes.

DEO encourages eligible applicants to assemble teams that provide the necessary capacity to successfully administer the proposed CDBG-DR projects and programs. Some team options to consider are:

- A. Leveraging the capacity of nonprofit and for-profit organizations who will serve as contractors to the subrecipient;
- B. Sharing resources whereby a group of UGLGs apply as a region. For example: to achieve greater impact and efficiency, a group of UGLGs may apply as a region to manage a project with a regional impact. For regional applications, DEO requires that there be one lead designated applicant who will contractually serve as the subrecipient and be responsible for the management of the grant. The subrecipient acting as the lead cannot sub-grant funds to other local governments.

If allocated funds by DEO, all UGLG partners must sign an Interlocal Agreement prior to signing the CDBG-DR subrecipient funding agreement.

VIII. SUBRECIPIENT AWARDS

This application cycle provides \$85,819,653 in CDBG-DR funds to be allocated to subrecipients.

There is no minimum or maximum award.

All proposals must show how they address unmet needs; avoid duplication of benefits; are cost reasonable; and avoid fraud, waste and abuse. Please see:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CDBG-DR-Cost-Types-Summary.pdf>
for HUD guidance on costs reasonableness standards.

IX. ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

To be eligible for consideration of funding, UGLGs must propose programs or projects that align with CDBG-DR and DEO requirements and priorities as outlined in the action plan and the Federal Register, including but not limited to those set forth below:

- Projects must demonstrate tie-back to Irma.
- Projects must primarily serve LMI populations.
- Projects for infrastructure must support LMI housing.
- Projects must not duplicate benefits.

Infrastructure

- Restoration of infrastructure damaged by Hurricane Irma (including water and sewer facilities, streets, provision of generators, removal of debris, drainage, bridges, etc.);

- Water and sewer facilities have been identified as areas of critical importance. Projects involving these type facilities will be eligible for ten (10) points during the scoring process.
- Public facilities such as emergency community shelters;
- Demolition, rehabilitation of publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings;
- Economic revitalization which includes any CDBG-DR eligible activity that demonstrably restores and improves some aspect of the local economy.

Subrecipients must identify how unmet housing needs will be addressed or how its infrastructure activities will contribute to the long-term recovery and restoration of housing in the most impacted and distressed areas.

X. CDBG-DR COMPLIANCE

All UGLG applicants with proposals approved for CDBG-DR funds under this application must execute a subrecipient agreement with DEO which will specify all terms and conditions for successful program and/or project and compliance management of a grant. The DEO subrecipient agreement will include, but is not limited to, the following topics:

A. National Objectives

All activities must meet one of the national objectives set out in the Housing and Community Development Act, with at least 70 percent of the dollars going towards projects benefiting LMI persons.

B. Cross-Cutting Federal Regulations

DEO requires projects or programs selected for CDBG-DR funding to meet HUD cross-cutting federal regulations, such as NEPA environmental review, duplication of benefits, fair housing, Section 3 employment, Davis Bacon wages and others which will be specified in the subrecipient funding agreement. For more information please see: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CDBG-DR-Cross-Cutting-Training-Resources.pdf>

C. Citizen Participation Requirements

Counties eligible to receive funds must consider the needs of all municipalities (and federally recognized tribes) within the incorporated as well as unincorporated area of the county (and reservations contiguous to the county).

Evidence of public meeting with city and tribal governments must meet the following requirements:

- Notice of the public meeting must be provided at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.
- Documentation of the meeting must include sign-in sheets and minutes.

Prior to submitting an application for CDBG-DR funding, applicants are required to post a public notice in a newspaper of general circulation and to their website that states the types

of projects to be undertaken, the source and amount of funding available for the activities, the date by which comments must be made and a contact person for a copy of the proposed application. Applicants must provide for a 10-day comment period, which must be published prior to the submission of the application.

Evidence of the public notice must meet the following requirements:

- Documentation of newspaper advertisement.
- Print-out of county webpage showing public notice.
- Documentation that the needs of non-English speaking citizens have been met where a significant number of non-English speaking citizens can be reasonably expected to participate. In this case, documentation will need to be translated into Spanish and Creole.

D. Use of CDBG-DR as Match

Additionally, funds may be used to meet a matching, share, or contribution requirement for any other federal program when used to carry out an eligible CDBG-DR activity. This includes programs or activities administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). By law, the amount of CDBG-DR funds that may be contributed to a USACE project is \$250,000 or less. Note that the Appropriations Act prohibits supplanting the use of CDBG-DR funds for any activity reimbursable by, or for which funds are also made available, by FEMA or USACE.

E. System of Record and Compliance Verifications

DEO will provide a CDBG-DR System of Record that will serve as the repository for all program and project compliance documentation to satisfy monitoring and audit requirements. In addition, the System of Record will enable DEO to review document files and conduct Duplication of Benefits, Verification of Benefits and related verifications required to comply with CDBG-DR regulations.

Subrecipient awardees are required to assemble and review all compliance documentation and upload them to the System of Record in an orderly manner. DEO will provide training to subrecipients on how to manage their CDBG-DR programs and projects with the new system of record.

F. Cost Reasonable and Anti-Fraud, Waste and Abuse

DEO seeks to balance the HUD requirement that all projects meet the standard of cost reasonable and avoid waste, fraud and abuse with providing sufficient funding to address unmet storm recovery and resilience needs. Therefore, applicants in their submissions must provide evidence for how their programs and proposals will meet cost reasonableness and anti-fraud, waste and abuse standards.

G. CDBG-DR Costs Guidance

Applicants in their budget proposals must include all costs related to the construction and ongoing, necessary maintenance, of the infrastructure project.

- DEO will apply the following standards in the analysis and ongoing compliance review of allowable costs. Please see <https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CDBG-DR-Cost-Types-Summary.pdf> for HUD guidance.

Activity Delivery Costs must be tied to the time staff and contractors dedicate to a specific project. Applicants must show how the proposed Activity Delivery Costs are or will be cost reasonable through procurement of professional services and/or cost of in-house staff to provide program or project related services.

All Activity Delivery Costs must be included as part of the total project costs in a request for CDBG-DR funding.

H. Waivers

On a case-by-case basis, DEO will consider proposals that may require a CDBG-DR regulatory waiver from HUD. Please note waiver applications take time to review and will impact scoring based on the "Readiness To Proceed" criteria. DEO encourages prospective applicants to discuss such proposal ideas with DEO management prior to submitting proposals to better understand the dynamics of the need and opportunity to address an unmet storm related need.

XI. APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- A. **NOTE:** The application submission cycle will officially open on **July 29, 2019** and will be open for a period of 30 days.

The application forms attached to this application and posted on the DEO website include:

- **Applicant Information Form** to be completed in a fillable .pdf file;
- **Proposal Information Form**, for which applicants must complete forms to be completed in a fillable .pdf file;

- B. **The application has seven (7) parts that applicants must complete for a full submission:**

Cover Letter that specifies:

- Name and contact information of applicant and names of any UGLG partners,
- Brief summary of proposed project and capacity to succeed, and
- Signature from executive officer with signature authority or authorized designee.

Applicant Information Form where applicants provide basic organizational information.

Proposal Information Form where applicants provide project information that will be scored by DEO.

Budget for all costs associated with the proposed infrastructure project.

Service Area Map that includes an overlay of:

- Location and/or service area
- Low- and Moderate-Income service area
- Most recent Flood Plain Map

Work Plan for Infrastructure proposal that provides evidence of readiness to proceed.

Organization Chart and Schedule of Team Roles such as Staff, Contractor, Vendor and Community Partner roles and responsibilities is encouraged, but not required.

C. **Save all electronic submission documents in “.pdf” formats:**

1. Save Cover Letter as: “1 Applicant Name-Cover Letter.pdf”
2. Save Applicant Information Form as: “2 Applicant Name-Applicant Form.pdf”
3. Save Proposal Information Form as: “3 Applicant Name-Infrastructure Proposal Form.pdf”
4. Save Budget: “4 Applicant Name -Budget.pdf”
5. Save Service Area Map as: “5 Applicant Name-Service Area Map.pdf”
6. Save Work Plan as: “6 Applicant Name- Work Plan.pdf”
7. Save Organization Chart and Schedule of Team Roles as: “7 Applicant Name- Org Chart and Team Roles.pdf”

- D. DEO will score each proposed program or project separately based on information provided in the Proposal Information Form, budget and supporting documentation. DEO reserves the option to fund none, a selection of, or all the project proposed by an applicant.
- E. DEO may conduct site visits and reserves the opportunity to interview applicants and request follow-up clarification information.
- F. Submit one (1) original hard copy of the of the completed application as defined above with original executive officer signature or authorized designee signature to:

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity
Office of Disaster Recovery

Attention: Gina Herron
The Caldwell Building
107 East Madison Street, MSC-400
Tallahassee, FL 32399

- G. Submit one (1) electronic PDF copy, with UGLG executive officer signature or authorized designee signature of the completed application as defined above to: CDBG-DRInfrastructureApp@deo.myflorida.com.

- H. DEO will post a webinar of an CDBG-DR Application Overview on July 22, 2019. Please visit the Hurricane Irma webpage located under Disaster Recovery at www.floridajobs.com .

NOTE: It is highly recommended that at least one (1) local government representative attend the Application Overview Webinar.

- I. For questions related to the application, please contact:

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Thank you for your interest in participating in Hurricane Irma Recovery with DEO.



Voluntary Home Buyout Program Guidelines



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Introduction

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) Office of Disaster Recovery (ODR) is the administrator of a Community Development Block Grant–Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Public Laws 115-56 and 115-123. DEO is the agency responsible for the administration of disaster funds allocated to housing, economic development, and infrastructure activities. DEO is administering Rebuild Florida's Voluntary Home Buyout Program. The purpose of Rebuild Florida's CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program is to acquire properties that are in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), and in high-risk flood areas to help reduce the impact of future disasters, and to assist property owners to relocate outside the threat of flooding. To administer this program, city and county governments that are within the Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) areas, as defined by HUD and DEO in the *2018 State of Florida Action Plan for Disaster Recovery*, may apply.

There are two options for cities and counties to apply for assistance under the Rebuild Florida Voluntary Home Buyout Program. The first option is to use the available CDBG-DR funding as leverage to match funding for projects that are also eligible for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). The second option is to work with the cities and counties directly in low- to moderate-income areas to acquire contiguous parcels of properties, and to acquire property from low- to moderate- income households (LMH) with a focus on LMH that did not have flood insurance at the time of Hurricane Irma.

Cities or counties participating in this program must purchase properties at the pre-event fair market value (FMV) of the land and the structure for all sellers that were owners of the property at the time of Hurricane Irma. For all sellers that own the property post Hurricane Irma, post-event FMV must be used to purchase the property and may not exceed the pre-event FMV and properties located in the designated area must be deed-restricted to remain green space in perpetuity. In addition to the pre-event FMV of the property, eligible owners with qualified income may also receive a housing replacement assistance incentive up to \$25,000, and owners with non-qualified income may receive a housing replacement allowance up to \$10,000. All awards are subject to the Robert T. Stafford Act, requiring that all funds used for disaster-related purposes be deducted as a duplication of benefit, which is discussed in greater detail below.

Definitions

- “CDBG-DR” means Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery.
- “100-year flood plain” means the geographical area defined by FEMA as having a one percent chance of being inundated by a flooding event in any given year.
- “500-year flood plain” means the geographical area defined by FEMA as having a 0.2 percent chance of being inundated by a flooding event in any given year.
- “Duplication of Benefits” (DOB) means any assistance provided to a homeowner for the same purpose (i.e., for repair, replacement or reconstruction) as any previous financial or in-kind assistance provided to a property owner for the repair, replacement, or reconstruction of his or her home. Rebuild Florida is prohibited from creating a DOB. This prohibition comes from the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Assistance and Emergency Relief Act (Stafford Act) and therefore, these other sources of funds must be deducted from any potential award.
- “Pre-event fair market value” means the land and dwelling value for parcels, as determined by each subrecipient, prior to the disaster.
- “Post- event fair market value” means the land and dwelling value for parcels, as determined by each subrecipient, after the disaster.



- *"Eligible receipts"* means proof of payment for items that are strictly for rebuilding the disaster-affected structure. Receipts must consist of permanent fixtures only, such as wood panels, drywall, paint, carpet, etc.
- *"Ineligible receipts"* means receipts for repairs that are completed on detached buildings such as garages or sheds, and personal items such as food and clothing, gasoline, tools, and equipment.
- *"Eligible Property"* means a property that is located within designated areas or is located outside of the designated area and is substantially damaged and is a health and safety risk.
- *"Designated Area"* means the land determined by the subrecipient that is eligible for the Voluntary Home Buyout Program.
- *"Low- to Moderate-Income (LMI)"* means an income is less than 80% of the local area median income.
- *"Low- to Moderate-Income Household (LMH)"* means a household with an income that is less than 80% of the local area median income (AMI).
- *"Special flood hazard area (SFHA)"* means the area where the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP's) floodplain management regulations must be enforced and the area where the mandatory purchase of flood insurance applies.
- *"Subrecipient"* means a city or a county that has applied for and has been awarded a CDBG-DR buyout project by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO).

Application and Administration of the Buyout

A city or county must apply for the CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program offered in their community. At the time of the application, the subrecipient identifies properties that would qualify for the program. A budget will be determined based on the pre-event FMV of all properties identified eligible for the program that were owned by the sellers at the time of the disaster; however, all properties identified as eligible for the program that were purchased post disaster will have budgets determined on the basis purchase price, which is not to exceed the pre-event FMV. If awarded, the city or county would enter into a contract with DEO to administer and oversee their jurisdiction in which the program applies.

The property owners that apply for the voluntary home buyout program submit their applications directly to the subrecipient. Once the local level of government approves an individual property owner's application for buyout assistance, the subrecipient must submit the application to DEO for verification that the property is not receiving or has not received Rebuild Florida housing repair or replacement assistance. A property owner cannot be eligible for buyout assistance if the property owner has received CDBG-DR funding to repair the property. A subrecipient may subcontract with a third-party administrator to administer the program for them.

National Objectives

The Voluntary Home Buyout Program will meet the Low- Moderate-Income (LMI) Area Benefit, and the Low- to Moderate-Income Housing (LMH) National Objective. To meet the LMI Area Benefit, the properties acquired through buyouts will be used in a way that benefits all the residents in an area where at least 51 percent of the residents are low- and moderate-income persons. To meet the National Objective of LMH, the households to be assisted must be LMI and occupy the replacement housing. Occupying replacement housing means that CDBG-DR funds will be provided for an eligible activity that benefits the LMH by supporting their move from high risk areas.

How to meet the National Objective



When undertaking buyout activities and to demonstrate that a buyout meets the LMH National Objective, and according to the State CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.483(b)(3), entitlement CDBG regulations at 24 CFR 570.208 you must apply the LMH National Objective to eligible activity carried out for the purpose of providing or improving permanent residential structures that, upon completion, will be occupied by low- and moderate- income households. Therefore, a buyout program that merely pays homeowners to leave their existing homes does not result in a low- and moderate- income household occupying a residential structure and, thus, cannot meet the requirements of the LMH National Objective.

If the subrecipient chooses to buyout low- and moderate-income households, the buyout can be structured in one of the following ways to meet the National Objective:

- The subrecipient must combine the acquisitions of the properties with another direct benefit, such as the housing replacement assistance and allowance program that Rebuild Florida has established as an incentive for the Voluntary Home Buyout Program, or
- The subrecipient must meet the low- and moderate-income area benefit criteria, provided that the subrecipient can document that the properties acquired through the buyouts will be used in a way that benefits all the residents in an area where at least 51 percent of the residents are low- and moderate-income persons. When using this approach, the subrecipient must define the service area based on the end use of the buyout properties.

Locations

Those counties that received a declaration of both FEMA Individual Disaster Assistance (IA) and Public Disaster Assistance (PA) after Hurricane Irma are eligible to apply to DEO to be a subrecipient of funding and administer a local Voluntary Home Buyout Program.

Prioritizing Projects

All local governments that apply will prioritize all home buyouts by focusing on acquisition of properties that are in concentrated residential areas that meet the low- and moderate-income area definition. DEO will rate all subrecipient applications by a process using a scoring method based on low- and moderate-income persons; households that are occupied by the disabled, and persons that are 62 years of age and older; benefit target areas; activity need and justification; cost reasonableness and effectiveness; environmental justice; and application completion.

Each subrecipient can score a maximum 55 points per household plus an additional 15 bonus points for an early submission and application completion. The scoring method will be as follows:

1. Benefit to LMI households—maximum of 20 points combined:
 - A. LMI household: 5 points.
 - B. LMI household that occupies anyone 62 or older: 5 points.
 - C. LMI household that occupies anyone under age 18: 5 points.
 - D. LMI household that includes anyone that is disabled, handicapped, or has special needs: 5 points.
2. Low- and moderate-income households that did not have flood insurance at the time of the disaster: 10 points.
3. Matching contributions—maximum of 25 points combined:
 - A. Efforts leverage funding with HMGP: A maximum of 10 points will be awarded based on the applicant's efforts to secure funding with HMGP as part of the match program offered as option one of the Voluntary Home Buyout Program.



- B. Matching: A maximum of 15 points will be awarded based on the ratio of the amount of eligible matching funds to the amount of CDBG funds request: 1.1 or more, 15 points; 0.75–1, 10 points; 0.50–1, 7 points; 0.25–1, 5 points; and less than 0.25, 0 points.
4. Application submitted 10 days prior to the deadline: 10 points—application must be completed in its entirety. *An incomplete application will not receive these 10 points.*
 5. Application Completeness: A maximum of 5 points—applications will receive up to 5 bonus points based on completeness. ***Applications that have not been signed will not be considered.***

Property Valuation

The value for each property identified for buyout will be established by the subrecipient based on the pre-event FMV, minus any DOB for applicants that owned the property at the time of the disaster. Owners that purchased the property after the date of the disaster will be limited to the price the owner paid for the property, which is not to exceed the pre-event FMV. If repairs have been made to the property, eligible repair receipts are added to the post-event price of the buyout. Local governments are responsible to hire contract teams that are licensed in the State of Florida to provide the following:

- Appraisals;
- Title and legal services;
- Environmental reviews;
- Demolition of the property; and
- Other related buyout processes.

Appraisals

The property value, either current or pre-event depending upon ownership status at the time of Hurricane Irma, must be derived from a method that results in a reasonable determination of FMV. The appraisal methodology shall be used in this program, and appraisals must be conducted by an appraiser in accordance with the *Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice*. The appraiser must comply with relevant State laws and requirements and shall have the appropriate certification, qualifications, and competencies based on the type of property being appraised. When determining the value of many structures, the subrecipient may choose to perform appraisals to establish a statistical sampling of property values and develop an adjustment factor to apply to tax assessed values so that they reasonably reflect each property's market value. DEO will monitor each subrecipient's appraisal practices.

Title and Legal Services

The subrecipient shall conduct a title search for each property it plans to acquire. The purpose of the title search is to ensure that the owner is the sole and actual titleholder to the property, identify other persons with a property interest, and to ensure that the title is clear. Clear title means that there are no mortgages or liens outstanding at the time of sale. In addition, there may not be incompatible easements or other encumbrances to the property that would make it either ineligible for acquisition or noncompliant with open space land use restrictions.

Other requirements include:

- A title insurance policy, demonstrating a clear (fee) title conveyance, must be obtained for each approved property that will be acquired.



- A physical site inspection for each property verifying the property has no physical encumbrances, which may require a site survey to clearly establish property boundaries.
- Title to the property must transfer by a warranty deed in all jurisdictions that recognize warranty deeds.
- All incompatible easements or encumbrances must be extinguished.
- The subrecipient shall take possession at settlement.
- The subrecipient must record the deed at the same time as and along with the programmatic deed restrictions.
- The deed transferring title to the property and the programmatic deed restrictions will be recorded according to State law and within 14 days after settlement.

Environmental Reviews

The subrecipient is responsible for conducting environmental reviews or causing such reviews to occur through contracted providers of environmental services. The subrecipient will be responsible for ensuring that all reviews are completed on all properties, which includes damaged properties that are to be acquired by the local government as well as properties to be obtained by the seller through the housing replacement assistance. This review is to be completed prior to an award for both acquired and allocated properties. The new property must meet the minimum Department of Social Services Standards (DSS), as determined by the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) under HUD guidelines, or an inspection equivalent. This is not to be completed until the property owner has completed the eligibility phase and has been confirmed to be eligible for assistance.

Eligible Property Types and Requirements

The eligible property types are non-commercial properties, which may include owner-occupied structures, residential rental properties, or vacant lots. To be considered an eligible property for the buyout program, the property must satisfy at least one of the following requirements:

- The property is located within the designated areas (Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) or High-Risk Flood Area) or
- The property is located outside of the designated areas and satisfies one of the following requirements:
 - The property is substantially damaged (51% or more of the pre-event fair market value of the structure is damaged); or
 - The property is considered a health/safety risk; or
 - The property is located within a floodway.

Project Eligibility

Properties eligible for buyout must meet the following requirements:

- The property will be purchased from a willing, voluntary seller.
- The property contains a structure that has been damaged or destroyed due to Hurricane Irma, or the property is in a SFHA, or a High-Risk Flood Area.
- All compatible easements or encumbrances can and must be extinguished.
- The property cannot be contaminated with hazardous materials at the time of buyout, other than



incidental demolition or household waste.

- The property cannot be part of an intended, planned, or designated project area for which the land is to be acquired by a certain date, and/or where there is an intention to use the property for any public or private future use inconsistent with the open space deed restrictions and FEMA acquisition requirements (e.g., roads and flood control levees).
- The property will not be subdivided prior to the buyout, except for portions outside the identified hazard area, such as within a SFHA or any risk zone identified by FEMA.
- Properties that have received rehabilitation or repairs through the Housing Repair and Replacement Program will not be eligible for assistance under the Voluntary Home Buyout Program.

Eligible (Allowable) Cost

Allowable costs for property buyout projects depend upon the scope of the project. The following costs associated with the buyout of hazard-prone real property and the demolition of structures are allowable:

- Market value of the real property (i.e., land and structure) either at the time of sale or immediately prior to Hurricane Irma depending upon the ownership status at the time of Hurricane Irma. Therefore, if the appraisal of the property is prior to the disaster then all Duplication of Benefits (DOB) must be subtracted from this amount unless the owner can provide proof that funds were used for another eligible purpose and should be excluded as an offset to the amount of the DOB.
- Fees for necessary appraisal costs, title search, title insurance, property inspection, and survey if applicable.
- Demolition and removal of property.
- Fees paid for environmental review services.
- Relocation costs associated with displaced tenants under the Uniform Relocation Act.

The following costs of demolition activities at the vacated site are generally allowable if necessary:

- Removal of demolition debris to an approved landfill, which includes debris from the demolition of houses, garages, driveways, sidewalks, and above-grade concrete slabs.
- Asbestos abatement.
- Removal of septic tanks. If not removed, the floors and walls of the tank must be cracked or crumbled so the tank will not hold water and then be filled with sand or other type of clean fill.
- Removal of all structure foundation and basement walls to a point at least one foot below the finish grade of the site.
- Removal of only those trees that restrict the demolition work on any structure.
- Termination of all abandoned utilities to a point at least two feet below the finish grade of the site.
- Capping of all wells and/or removal of associated components.
- Grading, leveling, and site stabilization of all demolition sites.

Ineligible (Not Allowable) Cost

Costs that are not allowable under this Voluntary Home Buyout Program include, but are not limited to:



- Compensation for land that is already held by an eligible entity. This is the case even if the eligible entity is not the subrecipient for the project. However, in that event compensation for development rights (e.g., obtaining an open space easement) may be an allowable cost.
- The cleanup or remediation of contaminated properties, except for permitted disposal of incidental demolition and household hazardous wastes.

Award Determination

Cities and counties will use the applicable FMV methodology to determine the fair market value of a property for sellers based on the ownership status at the time of Hurricane Irma, and must provide documentation within the application to DEO to support that methodology:

- Owners of eligible properties at the time of Hurricane Irma receive an offer to purchase the property minus any duplication of benefits (DOB).
- Owners that purchased eligible property after Hurricane Irma will receive an offer to purchase the property based on pre-event FMV as the basis of their buyout, subject to the following limitations and DOB review:
 1. The amount of the award is limited to the price the owner paid for the property, not to exceed the pre-event fair market value. If repairs have been made to the property, eligible repair receipts are to be added to the post-disaster price of the acquisition.
 2. Banks or mortgage companies that have been deeded the property on a post Hurricane Irma basis will be limited to the amount of the mortgage balance (pay-off). This is all that the bank(s) or mortgage company(ies) would receive if the owner of the property had participated in the program.
 3. Properties that are in foreclosure and with the same owner as that prior to Hurricane Irma will receive any remaining proceeds (i.e., after sales expenses, taxes, liens) after the sale of the property, with the award being based on pre-event FMV.
 4. Trusts, probates, and living wills will receive an offer based on the pre-event fair market value as if the pre-event owner is participating and subject to a DOB review. This is the same offer the owner would have received if they had participated in the program.
 5. If the property is in the court of bankruptcy, the bankruptcy trustee will provide the valuation documentation that was used to value the property at the time of the bankruptcy. The award amount is not to exceed the pre-event fair market value; however, if the property is being held in the trust with the owner remaining the current deed holder and has not been acquired by the trustee, documentation must be provided to demonstrate that the property is still deeded to the owner and only held in the trust. If this proof is provided, the owner will receive an award based on the pre-event fair market value of the property.

Award Calculation Methodology

Rebuild Florida has developed multiple disaster recovery housing programs based on the nature and scope of damage in order to meet the objectives of recovery efforts. This Award Calculation Methodology demonstrates a method of calculating an individual's award in the context of the Voluntary Home Buyout Program by using the pre-event FMV, and in combination with other housing programs, such as HMGP and the Housing Replacement Assistance and Housing Replacement Allowance programs. All awards are subject to DOBs.

The following provides four examples of calculating duplication of benefits for the subrecipient to offer in combination with other housing programs:



- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP): Subrecipients may use CDBG-DR funds as the required matching funds for residential properties that will be purchased through the local jurisdiction's HMGP program. This is a voluntary real property acquisition program funded by FEMA to acquire flood damaged homes at FMV. HUD has provided a CDBG-DR matching component funded with 75% FEMA funds (with up to 25% CDBG-DR match funds) or 90% FEMA funds (with up to 10% CDBG-DR match funds).
- CDBG-DR Buyout Program: Subrecipients may fund 100% of the buyout with CDBG-DR funds. This is a voluntary real property acquisition program with awards that are limited to the pre-event FVM of the land and structure.
- Housing Replacement Assistance: Subrecipients may offer incentives to low- to moderate-income qualified applicants as part of the buyout program design. This is a program to retain an area's population, awarding up to \$25,000 in addition to the pre-event FMV of the buyout home for income-qualified buyout applicants.
- Housing Replacement Allowance: Subrecipients may offer a lower value incentive to qualified participants who do not meet low- to moderate-income requirements. This is a program for those who are not income-qualified for the Housing Replacement Assistance. Participants can be eligible for up to \$10,000 in Housing Replacement Assistance if their damaged home meets certain requirements.

Both housing replacement awards are subject to the Robert T. Stafford Act, requiring that these funds be considered duplication of benefits. This funding may only be used to purchase a new home within the same taxing jurisdiction. Additionally, applicants may only qualify for this additional assistance if they relocate outside of the floodplain to a lower-risk area. Subrecipients must maintain documentation describing how the amount of assistance was determined to be necessary and reasonable.

Duplication of Benefits Process

Costs that duplicate amounts received by or available to the property owner or affected tenant from another source for the same purpose are not allowable. The deduction will be taken from the purchase offer if the offer is determined by an appraised market value prior to Hurricane Irma. The program will recoup duplicative amounts identified after grant funds have been expended. Property owners who receive duplicative payments following the conclusion of the property settlement are responsible for reimbursing the subrecipient for those duplicated funds.

State grant program funding is supplemental to other funding sources and must be reduced by amounts reasonably available (even if not sought or received) from other sources to address the same purpose or loss. DEO, subrecipients, and project participants, including property owners and tenants, must take reasonable steps to recover all such amounts. Amounts that are reasonably available to the individual or entity shall be treated as benefits available for the same purpose, even if he/she/it did not seek them.

All subrecipients must create and implement a subrogation policy to address recoupment of duplicative funds received by a program participant after the settlement of grant funds. All subrecipients must enter into a subrogation agreement with each program participant.

Tax adjustments resulting from filings related to losses to the rental property are not considered a DOB and do not affect the award.

For property valuations based on post-disaster FMV, no DOB will be taken from the offer. A program that provides post-disaster FMV to buyout applicants only provides the actual value of the property; thus, the seller is not considered a beneficiary of CDBG-DR assistance; therefore, this activity does not fall under the Stafford Act.



For property valuations based on pre-disaster FMV, the following procedures assist in preventing grant funds from duplicating benefits available from other sources:

- Property owners who have a U.S. Small Business Administration loan with a mortgage on the property that is to be acquired are required to repay the loan or roll it over to a new loan at closing.
- The subrecipient shall identify any other potential sources of benefits to the property owner, or tenant.
- The subrecipient is responsible to verify information via FEMA Data for structural repairs and replacement, and rental or relocation assistance provided to tenants along with verifying all National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) coverage information, including the amount paid on a claim and the amount of coverage available.
- The subrecipient shall coordinate with property owners who shall disclose all potential amounts available to them for the same purpose, as described above, including repair or replacement assistance received, all insurance benefits available to them under an existing policy (whether they submitted a claim or not), and any potential recovery based on litigation or other legal obligations. The property owner must take reasonable steps to recover such amounts. Amounts that are reasonably available or anticipated to the property owner shall be treated as benefits available for the same purpose, even if the property owner did not seek them.
- The subrecipient shall coordinate with tenants who shall disclose any amounts received from rental or relocation assistance.

Housing Replacement Assistance Determination

Because this is a voluntary home buyout program, owners are not eligible for assistance under the Uniform Relocation Assistance (URA) and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act. However, tenants who are displaced as a result of the owner's sale of the property to the subrecipient are entitled to assistance under the URA.

All property owners participating in the buyout are eligible for up to the maximum housing replacement assistance allowed by the Robert T. Stafford Act. All income qualified buyout participants are eligible for up to \$25,000 in the housing replacement assistance plus pre-event market value of their buyout home. Those that are not income qualified will be eligible for up to \$10,000 in housing replacement allowance only if the damaged property is located within the designated area.

The following requirements must be met to qualify for housing replacement assistance:

- The buyout home must be in the designated area or house a low- to moderate-income family.
- The homeowner must purchase a replacement home that is more expensive than the buyout home.
- The replacement home must be located within the jurisdiction of the subrecipient.
- The replacement home must be considered decent, safe, and sanitary.

If income qualified, the housing replacement assistance would be a maximum of \$25,000. However, the replacement home purchased must be valued at \$25,000 greater than the buyout home to receive the full award. If the value of the replacement home is less than \$25,000 but is more than the pre-event fair market value of the buyout home, the applicant's housing replacement assistance will be capped at the difference. If the applicant is not income-qualified, the maximum amount of replacement housing the applicant can receive is \$10,000. Pre-event owners of vacant lots and rental properties are not eligible to receive housing replacement assistance, as they did not occupy the structure at the time of the disaster.



In addition, post-event owners are not eligible to receive a replacement housing award, as they were not required to relocate due to the disaster.

If a rental home is purchased through the Voluntary Home Buyout Program and houses tenants that will be required to relocate, they are considered displaced persons that are eligible for relocation benefits under the Uniform Relocation Act (URA). The subrecipient must develop and implement URA policies and procedures and ensure that all required notices, services and payments afforded to tenants qualified under URA are provided in a timely manner.

Open Space Restrictions

To be eligible, a project must result in property buyout that meets all the requirements governing the use of grant funds and the use of acquired real property, including:

- The property acquired, accepted, or from which structures are removed will carry a permanent deed restriction requiring the property be maintained for open space, recreational, or wetlands management purposes only.
- The subrecipient will dedicate and maintain the property in perpetuity for uses compatible with open space, recreational, or wetlands management practices, and be consistent with conservation of natural floodplain functions.
- The subrecipient must record the deed restrictions consistent with the model deed.

Construction of new structures is only allowed where:

- A public building is open on all sides and functionally related to a designated open space or recreational use.
- The structure is a public restroom.
- The structure is compatible with open-space, recreational, or wetlands management usage and floodplain management policies and practices and has DEO and FEMA approval in writing before the construction of the structure begins.
- Any new structures built on the property according to the third subparagraph above will be elevated or flood-proofed to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) plus two foot of freeboard as defined in the Federal Register 24 CFR 55.2(b)(10) and meet applicable requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) floodplain management regulations or local codes.
- After settlement, no federal disaster assistance for any purpose from any federal source, nor flood insurance payments will be made with respect to the property, and no person or entity shall seek such amounts.
- The subrecipient must obtain the approval of DEO and the FEMA Regional Administrator before conveying ownership (fee title) of the property to another public agency or qualified conservation organization. Property transfer to private citizens and corporations will not be approved.
- All development rights in the form of a conservation easement on the property must be conveyed to the conservation organization or retained by the subrecipient or other public entity.
- The subrecipient must accept responsibility for monitoring and enforcing the deed restriction and/or easement.

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS 2019-103

**CDBG-DR FINANCING TO BE USED FOR SMALL
RENTAL DEVELOPMENTS IN AREAS DEEMED
HURRICANE RECOVERY PRIORITIES**

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SECTION ONE INTRODUCTION

This Request for Applications (RFA) is open to Applicants proposing the construction of affordable housing utilizing an estimated \$20 million Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Program funding for construction of affordable small Developments consisting of no more than 50 units in zip codes and other areas deemed hurricane priorities.

The proposed developments must help address the unmet Workforce Housing need in the HUD-Designated Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) zip codes (“MID Zip Codes”), HUD-Designated (“HUD-Designated MIDs”), or other areas impacted by the storms and deemed as a priority by the State that are not HUD MIDs (“State-Designated MIDs”).

- MID Zip Codes: 32091 in Bradford County; 32068 in Clay County; 34266 in DeSoto County; 32136 in Flagler County; 33440 and 33935 in Hendry County; 33825 and 33870 in Highlands County; 33523 in Pasco County; 32084 and 32145 in Saint Johns County; 32771 in Seminole County.
- HUD-Designated MIDs*: Brevard; Broward; Clay; Collier; Duval; Hillsborough; Lee; Miami-Dade; Orange; Osceola; Palm Beach; Polk; Saint Lucie; Volusia
- State-Designated MIDs: Alachua; Baker; Bradford; Charlotte; Citrus; Columbia; DeSoto; Dixie; Flagler; Gilchrist; Glades; Hamilton; Hardee; Hendry; Hernando; Highlands; Indian River; Lafayette; Lake; Levy; Manatee; Marion; Martin; Nassau; Okeechobee; Pasco; Putnam; Saint Johns; Sarasota; Seminole; Sumter; Suwannee; Union

*This RFA will make available Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) for Workforce Housing in all HUD and State MIDs of the state except Monroe County. Monroe County Applicants may apply in RFA 2019-101.

Florida Housing Finance Corporation, herein afterwards referred to as ‘the Corporation’, is soliciting applications from qualified Applicants that commit to provide housing in accordance with the terms and conditions of this RFA, the 2018 State of Florida Action Plan for Disaster Recovery, the Department of Economic Opportunity’s (DEO) Workforce Housing Program Designs and Guidebooks, inclusive of the exhibits, applicable laws, rules and regulations, and the Corporation’s generally applicable construction and financial standards.

Applicants that are selected to receive funding will be invited to enter credit underwriting and will be expected to complete the credit underwriting process, including Board approval of the credit underwriting report, and execute a written agreement within 12 months of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

SECTION TWO DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms within this RFA shall have the meaning as set forth within this RFA, in Exhibit B, and Rule Chapters 67-53, F.A.C., and 67-60, F.A.C., or in applicable federal regulations.

SECTION THREE PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS

Unless otherwise stated within the RFA, the Application package, forms and other information related to this RFA may be found on the RFA Website at <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2019/2019-103> (also available by clicking [here](#)).

A. Submission Requirements

1. Application Deadline

The Application Deadline is **3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on August 29, 2019.**

2. Completing the Application Package

a. Downloading and completing the documents provided by the Corporation

Download and complete the following documents found on the RFA Website:

- (1) The Application (Exhibit A of the RFA);
- (2) The Development Cost Pro Forma; and
- (3) The CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19) ("Principals Disclosure Form"). A Principals Disclosure Form that was approved during the Advance Review Process, which is described in Section Four A.3.c. of the RFA, may be used to satisfy this requirement.

The download process may take several minutes. Applicants should save these three documents with a file name that is unique to the specific Application.

b. Creating the All Attachments Document

In addition to the three documents described in a. above, the Application Package also includes one copy consisting of all of the applicable completed Attachments described in the RFA ("All Attachments Document").

Compile all of the attachments described in the RFA into one pdf file separated by pages labeling each Attachment to create the All Attachments Document. This may be accomplished by merging the documents using a computer program such as Adobe Acrobat Pro or by scanning all of the attachments together.

Note: The Corporation has provided sample pages that may be used to separate the attachments on the RFA Website. If any of the attachments are not applicable, the Applicant should insert a page stating "Not Applicable" behind the separation page.

3. Uploading the Application Package

The Application Package consists of Exhibit A, the Development Cost Pro Forma, the Principal Disclosure Form, and the All Attachments Document. To upload the Application Package:

- a. Go to the RFA Website.
- b. Click the link to login and upload the Application Package. Note: A username and password must be entered. If the Applicant has not previously created a username and password, the Applicant will need to create one prior to the upload process.
- c. After successfully logging in, click "Upload Application Package." Enter the Development Name and click "Browse" to locate the following completed documents saved on the Applicant's computer:
 - (1) The Application (Exhibit A) in Word format;
 - (2) The Development Cost Pro Forma in Excel format;
 - (3) The Principals Disclosure form in Excel format. (If the Applicant received an approved Principals Disclosure Form through the Advance Review Process, the approved form is what should be uploaded);
 - (4) The All Attachments Document in a pdf format.

The average file size is 1.0 MB and should take a moment or two to upload. Larger files may take longer to upload. There is a file size limit of 15 MB, but this may be able to be reduced without reducing the number of pages submitted. Examples of factors that affect file size include the resolution of the scanner or scanning the documents in color or as a graphic/picture.

- d. After the four documents are displayed in the Upload webpage, click "Upload Selected Files" to electronically submit the documents to the Corporation by the Application Deadline. Then the Uploaded Application (consisting of all four documents comprising the Application Package), and its assigned Response Number will be visible in the first column.

Note: If the Applicant clicks "Delete" prior to the Application Deadline, the Application will no longer be considered a Submitted Application and the Applicant will be required to upload the Application Package again in order for these documents to be considered an Uploaded Application. This will generate a new Response Number.

4. Submission to the Corporation

By the Application Deadline, provide to the Corporation the following:

- a. A sealed package containing a printed copy of the final Application Package housed in a 3-ring-binder with numbered divider tabs for each attachment. The final assigned Response Number should be reflected on each page of the printed copy of the Application Package; and
- b. The required non-refundable \$3,000 Application fee, payable to Florida Housing Finance Corporation (check or money order only).

The Applicant should label the outside of the shipping box with the applicable RFA number. The Corporation will not consider faxed or e-mailed Applications.

After 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the Application Deadline, each Application for which a hard copy, an electronically submitted copy, and the Application Fee are received by the Application Deadline will be assigned an Application number. In addition, these Applications will be assigned a lottery number by having the Corporation's internal auditors run the total number of Applications received through a random number generator program.

The printed copy of the Application Package must be addressed to:

Marisa Button
Director of Multifamily Allocations
Florida Housing Finance Corporation
227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000, Tallahassee, FL 32301

If the hard copy of the Application Package is not identical to the electronically submitted Application Package, the electronically submitted Application Package will be utilized for scoring purposes.

Pursuant to subsection 67-60.004(2), F.A.C., any Applicant may request withdrawal of its Application from a competitive solicitation by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the Corporation Clerk. For purposes of the funding selection process, the Corporation shall not accept any Application withdrawal request that is submitted between 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the last business day before the date the Review Committee meets to make its recommendations until after the Board has taken action on the Review Committee's recommendations, and such Application shall be included in the funding selection process as if no withdrawal request had been submitted. Any funding or allocation that becomes available after such withdrawal is accepted shall be treated as Returned Funding and disposed of according to Section Five B. of the RFA.

- B. This RFA does not commit the Corporation to award any funding to any Applicant or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation or delivery of an Application.
- C. Florida Housing reserves the right to:
 1. Waive Minor Irregularities; and
 2. Accept or reject any or all Applications received as a result of this RFA.

- D. Any interested party may submit any inquiry regarding this RFA in writing to the Director of Multifamily Allocations via e-mail at RFA_2019-103_Questions@floridahousing.org (also accessible by clicking [here](#)) with "Questions regarding RFA 2019-103" as the subject of the email. All inquiries are due by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on Tuesday, August 13, 2019. Phone calls or written inquiries other than at the above e-mail address will not be accepted. The Corporation expects to respond to all inquiries by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on Friday, August 16, 2019, and will post a copy of all inquiries received, and their answers, on the RFA Website. The Corporation will also send a copy of those inquiries and answers in writing to any interested party that requests a copy. The Corporation will determine the method of sending its answers, which may include regular United States mail, overnight delivery, fax, e-mail, or any combination of the above. No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as an official response or statement from the Corporation.
- E. Any person who wishes to protest the specifications of this RFA must file a protest in compliance with Section 120.57(3), Fla. Stat., and Rule Chapter 28-110, F.A.C. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Fla. Stat., shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Fla. Stat.
- F. By submitting this Application, including all applicable attachments thereto, each Applicant agrees to the terms and conditions outlined in the RFA and certifies that:
1. **Public Records.** Any material submitted in response to this RFA is a public record pursuant to Chapter 119, Fla. Stat. Per Section 119.071(1)(b)2., the sealed Applications received by the Corporation are exempt from disclosure until such time as the Board provides notice of an intended decision or until 30 Calendar Days after the opening of the sealed Applications, whichever is earlier.
 2. **Noninterference.** At no time during the review and evaluation process, commencing with the Application Deadline and continuing until the Board renders a final decision on the RFA, may Applicants or their representatives contact Board members or Corporation staff, except Corporation legal staff, concerning their own or any other Applicant's Application. If an Applicant or its representative does contact a Board or staff member in violation of this section, the Board shall, upon a determination that such contact was made in an attempt to influence the selection process, disqualify the Application.
 3. **Requirements.** Proposed Developments funded under this RFA will be subject to the requirements of the RFA, the 2018 State of Florida Action Plan for Disaster Recovery including subsequent Substantial and Technical Amendments, inclusive of all Exhibits, the Application requirements outlined in Rule Chapter 67-60, F.A.C, and the Compliance requirements of Rule Chapter 67-53, F.A.C.
 4. **Modifications.** Any modifications that occur to the Request for Application will be posted on the web site and may result in an extension of the deadline. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to check the website for any modifications prior to the Application Deadline.

- G. The Corporation expects to select one or more Applications to award the funding contemplated by this RFA. Any such Applications will be selected through the Corporation's review of each Application, considering the factors identified in this RFA.

**SECTION FOUR
INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED IN APPLICATION**

Provided below are the instructions to be used in completing Exhibit A of this RFA. Unless stated otherwise, all information requested in the RFA pertains to the Development proposed in this Application.

A. Exhibit A Items

1. Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement

An Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form, executed by the Authorized Principal Representative, must be included as **Attachment 1** to Exhibit A to indicate the Applicant's certification and acknowledgement of the provisions and requirements of the RFA. The Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form is provided on the RFA Website. Note: If any version of the Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form other than the version included in this RFA, the form will not be considered.

2. Demographic Commitment

The Demographic Commitment must be Workforce households at or below 80% of the Area Median Income, serving general occupancy.

3. Applicant/Developer/Management Company/Contact Person

a. Applicant Information

- (1) State the name of the Applicant entity.
- (2) The Applicant must be a legally formed entity [i.e., limited partnership, limited liability company, etc.] qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline. Evidence from the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, that the Applicant satisfies the foregoing requirements must be included as **Attachment 2** to Exhibit A. Such evidence may be in the form of a certificate of status or other reasonably reliable information or documentation issued, published or made available by the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations.
- (3) Non-Profit Application Qualifications

State whether the Applicant meets the definition of a Non-Profit Entity as stated in Exhibit B for purposes of this RFA. An Applicant that indicates that it is applying as a Non-Profit Entity as stated in Exhibit B will only be considered a Non-Profit for purposes of this RFA, if the Applicant (i) answers the question demonstrating that it meets the definition of Non-Profit as set out in Exhibit B;

and (ii) provides the required information stated below. Any Applicant that applies as a Non-Profit but is not considered a Non-Profit will still be eligible for funding as a for profit entity.

The Applicant's Non-Profit status will be verified during credit underwriting. If this cannot be verified, the Applicant will no longer be considered a Non-Profit Applicant and funding awarded under this RFA may be rescinded.

Provide the following information for the Non-Profit entity that meets the definition stated in Exhibit B as **Attachment 3**:

- (a) The IRS determination letter;
- (b) A description/explanation of how the Non-Profit entity is substantially and materially participating in the management and operation of the Development (i.e., the role of the Non-Profit);
- (c) The names and addresses of the members of the governing board of the Non-Profit entity; and
- (d) The articles of incorporation demonstrating that one of the purposes of the Non-Profit entity is to foster low-income housing.

If the Applicant applies as a Non-Profit entity and meets the requirements outlined above to be considered a Non-Profit for purposes of this RFA, it must remain a Non-Profit entity and the Non-Profit entity must (i) receive at least 25 percent of the Developer's fee; and (ii) contractually ensure that it substantially and materially participates in the management and operation of the Development throughout the Compliance Period.

b. General Developer Information

- (1) State the name of each Developer, including all co-Developers. A developer is any individual, association, corporation, joint venture, or partnership which possesses the skill, experience, and credit worthiness to successfully produce affordable housing as required in the Application.
- (2) Each Developer entity identified (that is not a natural person) must be a legally formed entity qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline. For each stated Developer entity that is not a natural person, provide, as **Attachment 4** to Exhibit A, evidence from the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, that the Developer satisfies the foregoing requirements. Such evidence may be in the form of a certificate of status or other reasonably reliable information or documentation issued, published or made available by the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations.
- (3) Developer Experience Funding Preferences

(a) Affordable Housing Experience Funding Preference

To qualify for this funding preference, at least one natural person Principal of the Developer entity, or if more than one Developer entity, at least one natural person Principal of at least one of the Developer entities, must demonstrate experience in the completion (i.e., the certificate of occupancy has been issued for at least one building), of at least one affordable rental housing development consisting of a total number of units no less than 50 percent of the total number of units in the proposed Development. This must be demonstrated by providing as **Attachment 4** to Exhibit A, a prior experience chart. The individual meeting the required experience must be disclosed as a Principal of the Developer on the Principals Disclosure Form. If providing experience acquired from a previous affordable housing Developer entity, the person stated in the chart below must have been a Principal of that Developer entity as the term was defined at that time. The Developer experience chart must include the following information:

Prior General Development Experience Chart					
Name of the natural person Principal with the required experience:					
Name of Developer Entity (for the proposed Development) for which the above individual is a Principal:					
Name of Development	Location (City & State)	Federal Program that Provided Financing (HOME for example)	Total Number of Units	Year Completed	Federal Programs such as Davis Bacon requirements and Environmental Review requirements applied? (Y/N)

(4) Federal Funding Experience Preference

To qualify for this funding preference, the Developer entity, or if more than one Developer entity, at least one Principal of at least one of the Developer entities, demonstrates experience in the chart above in the completion; (i.e., the certificate of occupancy has been issued for at least one building), of at least one affordable rental housing development consisting of at least eight total units that was financed with federal funding and required all federal programs such as Davis Bacon requirements and Environmental Review requirements.

c. Principals Disclosure for the Applicant and for each Developer (5 points)

(1) Eligibility Requirements

To meet the submission requirements, upload the CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19) (“Principals Disclosure Form”) as outlined in Section Three above.

Disclosing the Applicant Entity Principals on the Principal Disclosure Form, as defined in Exhibit B:

- (a) Disclose all of the Principals of the Applicant (first principal disclosure level). A Principal that is a Local Government or Land Authority need only be disclosed at the first principal disclosure level and no other disclosure is required;
- (b) Disclose all of the Principals of all the entities identified in paragraph (a) above (second principal disclosure level);
- (c) Disclose all of the Principals of all of the entities identified in paragraph (b) above (third principal disclosure level). Unless the entity is a trust, all of the Principals must be natural persons; and
- (d) If any of the entities identified in (c) above are a trust, disclose all of the Principals of the trust (fourth principal disclosure level), all of whom must be natural persons.

Disclosing the Developer Principals on the Principal Disclosure Form, as defined in Exhibit B:

- (a) Disclose all of the Principals of the Developer (first principal disclosure level); and
- (b) Disclose all of the Principals of all the entities identified in paragraph (a) above (second principal disclosure level).

The Principals Disclosure Form is available on the RFA Website.

(2) Point Item

5 points will be awarded if the uploaded Principal Disclosure Form was stamped "Approved" during the Advance Review Process provided it is still correct as of Application Deadline. The Advance Review Process for Disclosure of Applicant and Developer Principals is available on the RFA Website and also includes samples which may assist in completing the required Principals Disclosure Form.

Note: It is the sole responsibility of the Applicant to review the Advance Review Process procedures and to submit any Principals Disclosure Form for review in a timely manner in order to meet the Application Deadline.

- (3) For purposes of the following, a material change shall mean 33.3 percent or more of the Applicant, a general partner of the Applicant, or a non-investor member of the Applicant, and a non-material change shall mean less than 33.3 percent of the Applicant, a general partner of the Applicant, or a non-investor member of the Applicant.

The name of the Applicant entity stated in the Application may be changed only by written request to Corporation staff and approval of the Board after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting.

The Applicant entity shall be the borrowing entity and cannot be changed in any way (materially or non-materially) until after loan closing. After loan closing, (a) any material change will require review and approval of the Credit Underwriter, as well as approval of the Board prior to the change, and (b) any non-material change will require review and approval of the Corporation, as well as approval of the Board prior to the change. Changes to the Applicant entity (material or non-material) prior to the loan closing or without Board approval after the loan closing may result in disqualification from receiving funding and may be deemed a material misrepresentation. Changes to the officers or directors of a Public Housing Authority, office or directors of a Non-Profit entity, or the investor limited partner of an Applicant limited partnership or the investor-member of an Applicant limited liability company owning the syndicating interest therein will not result in disqualification.

The Principals of each Developer identified in the Application, including all co-Developers, may be changed only by written request to Corporation staff and approval of the Board after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. In addition, any allowable replacement of an experienced Principal of a Developer entity must meet the experience requirements that were met by the original Principal.

d. General Management Company

(1) Required for all Developments

Provide the name of the General Management Company for the Development.

Note: If selected for funding, the Corporation must approve the selection or replacement of a management company prior to such company assuming responsibility for the Development, using the following criteria:

- Evidence of authorization to conduct business in the State of Florida.
- Real estate licensure as required under Chapter 475, Florida Statutes
- Review of company information including resumes of key management personnel, management experience, and operating procedures.
- Review of company forms such as application for apartment residence, income verification forms, lease, etc.
- Key management company representatives must attend a Corporation compliance training workshop. Such workshops are posted on the webpage <https://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/compliance-training>

- (2) Required for Developments consisting of more than 25 units

If the Development consists of more than 25 units, Applicants must demonstrate that the listed Management Company has experience in the management of at least two affordable rental housing properties (i.e., properties funded through an affordable housing program such as Housing Credits, Tax-Exempt Bonds, HOME, SAIL, etc.), at least one of which consists of a total number of units no less than 50 percent of the total number of units in the proposed Development, for at least two years each. Provide, as **Attachment 5**, the required prior experience chart for the Management Company or a principal of the Management Company reflecting the required information.

The prior experience chart must include the following information:

Prior General Management Experience Chart				
Name of Management Company or a Principal of the Management Company with the Required Experience:				
Name of Development	Location (City & State)	Currently Managing or Formerly Managed	Length of Time (Number of Years)	Total Number of Units

e. Contact Person

- (1) Enter the information for the required Authorized Principal Representative. The Authorized Principal Representative (a) must be a natural person Principal of the Applicant listed on the Principal Disclosure Form; (b) must have signature authority to bind the Applicant entity; (c) must sign the Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form submitted in this Application; (d) must sign the Site Control Certification form submitted in this Application; and (e) if funded, will be the recipient of all future documentation that requires a signature.
- (2) A separate Operational Contact Person may be included, if desired. If provided, the Operational Contact Person will be the recipient of any general correspondence associated with the Development activities that does not require a signature. If an Operational Contact Person is not provided, the Authorized Principal Representative will be the recipient of any such documentation.

4. General Proposed Development Information

- a. State the name of the proposed Development.
- b. Development Category must be new construction, with or without acquisition. All units must consist entirely of new construction units. Rehabilitation of existing units is not allowed. Demolition of current structures is allowed, subject to Davis Bacon regulations.
- c. Development Type

Select the Development Type for the proposed Development. For mixed-type Developments, indicate the type that will comprise the majority of the units in the Development.

- Single Family Homes including modular homes that are installed by certified contractors
- Garden Apartments (a building comprised of 1, 2 or 3 stories, with or without an elevator)
- Duplexes
- Quadraplexes

For purposes of determining the number of stories, each floor in the building(s) should be counted regardless of whether it will consist of retail, parking, or residential.

d. Resiliency Preference

- (1) Applications that select the Single Family Homes Development Type will automatically qualify for the Resiliency Preference.
- (2) To qualify for the Resiliency Preference by qualifying for “Enhanced Structural Systems Construction” or “ESS Construction”, the proposed Development must meet at least one of the specifications listed below.
For all buildings all of the following structural elements must consist of 100 percent poured concrete/masonry, 100 percent steel, or a combination adding up to 100 percent of concrete/masonry and steel, as verified during credit underwriting: all exterior walls and other external load-bearing elements, as well as the floor of the lowest story of the building that contains residential, commercial or storage space (other than parking), and any under-floor/under-ground supports for that lowest story’s floor.

For the purposes of determining “ESS Construction,” there is no requirement regarding the materials to be used in the roof of the building.

These qualifying criteria specifically exclude face brick or brick veneer from qualifying as ESS Construction for purposes of this RFA unless the proposed Development otherwise meets the requirements in (1) or (2) above.

For purposes of this RFA, the Corporation will consider an Application to meet the ESS Construction Requirement if the answer to question 4.d. of Exhibit A is “Yes.” This will be verified during the credit underwriting process. If this cannot be verified the Development will no longer be considered ESS Construction, and funding awarded under this RFA may be rescinded.

- e. State whether construction has commenced as of Application Deadline. Note: If “Yes”, all rules and regulations in Item 5 of Exhibit C, which includes cross-cutting Federal Regulations, will apply.

5. Location of Proposed Development

a. County

State the county where the proposed Development will be located. The following counties are eligible to apply in this RFA:

Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Glades, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Levy, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota, Seminole, Sumter, Suwannee, Union, Volusia

b. Provide the Address of the Development site

Indicate (a) the address number, street name, and name of city, and/or (b) the street name, closest designated intersection, and either name of city or unincorporated area of county. If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, this information must be provided for each of the Scattered Sites.

c. State whether the Development consists of Scattered Sites.

If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, the following conditions must be met:

- (1) A part of the boundary of each Scattered Site must be located within ½ mile of a part of the boundary of the Scattered Site with the most units;
- (2) Site control and Ability to Proceed must be demonstrated in the Application for all Scattered Sites; and
- (3) All Scattered Sites must be located within the same county.

d. Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Provide latitude and longitude coordinates for each site including, if applicable, each of the Scattered Sites, stated in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place.

Note: 30.443900, -84.283960 is an example of decimal degrees format, represented to six decimal places.

e. Tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 Classification

(1) Tier 1 Classification

To qualify as a Tier 1 Application, identify the MID Zip Codes in which the proposed Development is located:

Bradford County	32091
Clay County	32068

DeSoto County	34266
Flagler County	32136
Hendry County	33440 and 33935
Highlands County	33825 and 33870
Pasco County	33523
St. Johns County	32084 and 32145
Seminole County	32771

(2) Tier 2 Classification

To qualify as a Tier 2 Application, the proposed Development must be located in a Rural Area in one of the following HUD-Designated MIDs:

Brevard; Broward; Clay; Collier; Duval; Hillsborough; Lee; Miami-Dade; Orange; Osceola; Palm Beach; Polk; Saint Lucie; Volusia

The process for demonstrating that the proposed Development is located in a Rural Area is outlined in f. below.

(3) Tier 3 Classification

To qualify as a Tier 3 Application, the proposed Development must be located in a Rural Area in one of the following State-Designated MIDs:

Alachua; Baker; Bradford; Charlotte; Citrus; Columbia; DeSoto; Dixie; Flagler; Gilchrist; Glades; Hamilton; Hardee; Hendry; Hernando; Highlands; Indian River; Lafayette; Lake; Levy; Manatee; Marion; Martin; Nassau; Okeechobee; Pasco; Putnam; Saint Johns; Sarasota; Seminole; Sumter; Suwannee; Union

The process for demonstrating that the proposed Development is located in a Rural Area is outlined in f. below.

(4) Tier 4 Classification

To qualify as a Tier 4 Application, the Application must meet both of the following criteria: (i) the Applicant, a Principal of the Applicant, or an instrumentality of the Applicant must be a Public Housing Authority, and (ii) the proposed Development must be located in a non-Rural Area in one of the following HUD or State-Designated MIDs:

Alachua; Baker; Bradford; Brevard; Broward; Charlotte; Citrus; Clay; Collier; Columbia; DeSoto; Dixie; Duval; Flagler; Gilchrist; Glades; Hamilton; Hardee; Hendry; Hernando; Highlands; Hillsborough; Indian River; Lafayette; Lake; Lee; Levy; Manatee; Marion; Martin; Miami-Dade; Nassau; Okeechobee; Orange; Osceola; Palm Beach; Pasco; Polk; Putnam; Saint Johns; Saint Lucie; Sarasota; Seminole; Sumter; Suwannee; Union; Volusia

f. Demonstration of Rural Area

If applying as a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Application, the Applicant must demonstrate that the proposed Development is located in an eligible Rural Area as defined by the United State Department of Agriculture Rural Development (RD) by providing evidence confirming that the proposed Development is located in an RD-designated Rural Area as **Attachment 6**. This evidence must be dated within six months of the Application Deadline from RD, and may be in the form of printed information from the RD website if the website recognizes and can confirm that the address of the proposed Development stated in Exhibit A and, if Scattered Sites, that all other addresses of the proposed Development are located in a Rural Area. The RD website can be found at <http://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)). If confirmation of all sites of the proposed Development cannot be obtained through the above referenced website, the Applicant must provide a letter from RD confirming that all sites comprising the proposed Development are located in a Rural Area as of the Application Deadline. The Development's location within a Rural Area is subject to further verification in credit underwriting.

6. Number of Units and Buildings

- a. State the total number of units in the proposed Development.

All proposed Developments must consist of a minimum of 10 total units and a maximum of 50 units. Note: A single family home is considered one unit.

Note: The total number of units stated in the Application may be increased after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting, subject to written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation.

- b. Set-Aside Commitments

- (1) Workforce Units

The Applicant must commit to set aside 100 percent of the total units at or below 80 percent Area Median Income (AMI).

- (2) Extremely Low-Income (ELI) Set-Aside Units

At least 10 percent of the total units must be set-aside as Extremely Low-Income (ELI) Set-Aside Units.

If the Set-Aside Breakdown Chart reflects more than the applicable required percentage of the total units at or below the applicable percent of the AMI, during the credit underwriting process the Credit Underwriter will determine whether the Applicant's ELI Set-Aside unit commitment will need to be reduced by increasing the set aside units at AMI level(s) above the applicable ELI level. Any such reduction in the ELI Set-Aside units would be no lower than the required ELI set-aside percentage.

2019 ELI County Chart

ELI County Chart					
County	ELI Set-Aside AMI level	County	ELI Set-Aside AMI level	County	ELI Set-Aside AMI level
Alachua	33%	Hardee	40%	Okeechobee	40%
Baker	35%	Hendry	40%	Orange	33%
Bay	35%	Hernando	33%	Osceola	33%
Bradford	40%	Highlands	40%	Palm Beach	28%
Brevard	35%	Hillsborough	33%	Pasco	33%
Broward	28%	Holmes	40%	Pinellas	33%
Calhoun	40%	Indian River	35%	Polk	40%
Charlotte	40%	Jackson	40%	Putnam	40%
Citrus	40%	Jefferson	33%	Saint Johns	30%
Clay	30%	Lafayette	40%	Saint Lucie	35%
Collier	30%	Lake	33%	Santa Rosa	33%
Columbia	40%	Lee	33%	Sarasota	33%
De Soto	40%	Leon	33%	Seminole	33%
Dixie	40%	Levy	40%	Sumter	33%
Duval	30%	Liberty	40%	Suwannee	40%
Escambia	33%	Madison	40%	Taylor	40%
Flagler	35%	Manatee	33%	Union	40%
Franklin	40%	Marion	40%	Volusia	40%
Gadsden	33%	Martin	35%	Wakulla	35%
Gilchrist	33%	Miami-Dade	28%	Walton	35%
Glades	40%	Monroe	25%	Washington	40%
Gulf	40%	Nassau	30%		
Hamilton	40%	Okaloosa	33%		

(3) Link Units for Persons with Special Needs

All Developments must commit to set-aside at least 50 percent of the ELI Set-Aside units (i.e., at least 5 percent of the total units) as Link Units for Persons with Special Needs.

At least one member of each Link unit's household shall be referred by a Special Needs Household Referral Agency (Referral Agency) with which the owner executes a Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) approved by the Corporation. The current list of designated Special Needs Household Referral Agencies for each county is published on the Corporation's Website at <http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/SpecialNeeds/ContentPage.aspx?PAGE=Link%20Initiative%20Page> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)). The Applicant must execute a Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with at least one of the Special Needs Household Referral Agencies serving Monroe County. The deadline for the Corporation's approval of the fully executed Link MOU will be stated in the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

Additional requirements for the Link Units for Persons with Special Needs are described in Exhibit E of the RFA.

c. Unit Mix

Complete the Unit Mix Chart listing the total number of bedrooms per unit, the total number of bathrooms per unit (including half-baths, if applicable), the total number of units per bedroom type, and the number of units that are ELI Set-Aside units. All units

in the proposed Development must be listed, including all manager/employee units and all market rate units, if applicable.

No more than 25 percent of the total units may be comprised of Zero Bedroom units.

If additional space is required, enter the information in the Addenda. Note: During credit underwriting, the credit underwriter will verify that the ELI Set-Aside units are distributed across the unit mix on a pro-rata basis.

- d. State the anticipated number of residential buildings.

The number of residential buildings stated in the Application may be changed only by written request to Corporation staff after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting.

- e. Compliance Period

The HUD affordability period requires units to be set aside for 20 years. The Corporation is adding 30 years of an extended affordability period to the HUD affordability period for a total Set Aside Commitment of 50 years. Applicant will be responsible for compliance monitoring fees for 50 years.

Note: The Compliance Period committed to in this section includes the units set aside for the Demographic Commitments made in this RFA, which includes the commitments for Link Units and ELI Households.

7. Readiness to Proceed

- a. Site Control

The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Site Control Certification form (Form Rev. 08-18) must be provided as **Attachment 7** to demonstrate site control as of Application Deadline. The Site Control Certification form is provided on the RFA Website.

For the Site Control Certification form to be considered complete, as an attachment to the form, the Applicant must include the documentation required in Items (1), (2), and/or (3), as indicated below, demonstrating that it is a party to an eligible contract or lease, or is the owner of the subject property. Such documentation must include all relevant intermediate contracts, agreements, assignments, options, conveyances, intermediate leases, and subleases. If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, site control must be demonstrated for all of the Scattered Sites.

- (1) An eligible contract must meet all of the following conditions:
- (a) It must have a term that does not expire before a date that is 6 months after the Application Deadline) or that contains extension options exercisable by the purchaser and conditioned solely upon payment of additional monies which, if exercised, would extend the term to a date

- that is not earlier than a date that is 6 months after the Application Deadline);
- (b) It must specifically state that the buyer's remedy for default on the part of the seller includes or is specific performance;
 - (c) The Applicant must be the buyer unless there is an assignment of the eligible contract, signed by the assignor and the assignee, which assigns all of the buyer's rights, title and interests in the eligible contract to the Applicant; and
 - (d) The owner of the subject property must be the seller, or is a party to one or more intermediate contracts, agreements, assignments, options, or conveyances between or among the owner, the Applicant, or other parties, that have the effect of assigning the owner's right to sell the property to the seller. Any intermediate contract must meet the criteria for an eligible contract in (a) through (c) above.
- (2) Deed or Certificate of Title – The deed or certificate of title (in the event the property was acquired through foreclosure) must be recorded in the county in which the property is located and show the Applicant as the sole Grantee.
 - (3) Lease - The lease must have an unexpired term of at least 50 years after the Application Deadline and the lessee must be the Applicant. The owner of the subject property must be a party to the lease, or a party to one or more intermediate leases, subleases, agreements, or assignments, between or among the owner, the Applicant, or other parties, that have the effect of assigning the owner's right to lease the property for at least 50 years to the lessee.

Note: The Corporation will not review the site control documentation that is submitted with the Site Control Certification form during the scoring process unless there is a reason to believe that the form has been improperly executed, nor will it in any case evaluate the validity or enforceability of any such documentation. During scoring, the Corporation will rely on the properly executed Site Control Certification form to determine whether an Applicant has met the requirement of this RFA to demonstrate site control. The Corporation has no authority to, and will not, evaluate the validity or enforceability of any eligible site control documentation that is attached to the Site Control Certification form during the scoring process. During credit underwriting, if it is determined that the site control documents do not meet the above requirements, the Corporation may rescind the award.

b. Ability to Proceed

Demonstrate the following Ability to Proceed elements as of Application Deadline, for the entire proposed Development site, including all Scattered Sites, if applicable, as outlined below. The Florida Housing Ability to Proceed Verification forms are provided on the RFA Website. Note: The Applicant may include the Florida Housing Ability to

Proceed Verification forms that were included in a previous RFA submission for the same proposed Development, provided (i) the form(s) used for this RFA are labeled Form Rev. 08-18, (ii) the forms are dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline, (iii) none of the information entered on the form and certified to by the signatory has changed in any way, and (iv) the requirements outlined in this RFA are met. If the Applicant provides any prior version of the Florida Housing Ability to Proceed Verification form(s), the form(s) will not be considered.

(1) **Appropriate Zoning.** Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline the entire proposed Development site is appropriately zoned and consistent with local land use regulations regarding density and intended use or that the proposed Development site is legally non-conforming by providing, as **Attachment 8** to Exhibit A, the applicable properly completed and executed verification form:

- (a) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Local Government Verification that Development is Consistent with Zoning and Land Use Regulations form (Form Rev. 08-18); or
- (b) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Local Government Verification that Permits are Not Required for this Development form (Form Rev. 08-18).

Note: With regard to the terms “Rate of Growth Ordinance (ROGO)” and “Building Permit Allocation System (BPAS),” as used by different jurisdictions within the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern, for purposes of the verification forms outlined in (a) and (b) above, all references on these forms to “Rate of Growth Ordinance (ROGO)” shall be considered by the Corporation to have the same meaning as “Building Permit Allocation System (BPAS).”

(2) **Availability of Electricity.** Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline electricity is available to the entire proposed Development site by providing as **Attachment 9** to Exhibit A:

- (a) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure – Electricity form (Form Rev. 08-18); or
- (b) A letter from the electricity service provider that contains the name of the Development location and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The letter may not be signed by the Applicant, by any related parties of the Applicant, by any Principals or Financial Beneficiaries of the Applicant, or by any local elected officials.

(3) **Availability of Water.** Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline water is available to the entire proposed Development site by providing as **Attachment 10** to Exhibit A:

- (a) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure – Water form (Form Rev. 08-18); or
 - (b) A letter from the water service provider that contains the Development location and the number of units and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The letter may not be signed by the Applicant, by any related parties of the Applicant, by any Principals or Financial Beneficiaries of the Applicant, or by any local elected officials.
- (4) Availability of Sewer. Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline sewer capacity, package treatment or septic tank service is available to the entire proposed Development site by providing as **Attachment 11** to Exhibit A:
- (a) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure – Sewer Capacity, Package Treatment, or Septic Tank form (Form Rev. 08-18); or
 - (b) A letter from the waste treatment service provider that contains the Development location and the number of units and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The letter may not be signed by the Applicant, by any related parties of the Applicant, by any Principals or Financial Beneficiaries of the Applicant, or by any local elected officials.
- (5) Availability of Roads. Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline paved roads either (i) exist and will provide access to the proposed Development site or (ii) will be constructed as part of the entire proposed Development by providing as **Attachment 12** to Exhibit A:
- (a) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure – Roads form (Form Rev. 08-18); or
 - (b) A letter from the Local Government that contains the Development location and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The letter may not be signed by the Applicant, by any related parties of the Applicant, by any Principals or Financial Beneficiaries of the Applicant, or by any local elected officials.

8. Construction Features

All units are expected to meet all requirements as outlined below. The quality of the construction features committed to by the Applicant is subject to approval of the Board of Directors. Additionally, all Developments must meet the Housing Quality Standards provided by HUD on the webpage

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv/hqs (also available by clicking [here](#)).

All features and amenities committed to and proposed by the Applicant that are not unit-specific shall be located on each of the Scattered Sites, or no more than 1/16 mile from the Scattered Site with the most units, or a combination of both.

a. Federal Requirements and State Building Code Requirements for all Developments

All proposed Developments must meet all federal requirements and state building code requirements, including the following, incorporating the most recent amendments, regulations and rules:

- Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction as adopted pursuant to Section 553.503, Florida Statutes;
- The Architectural Barriers Act of 1968;
- The Fair Housing Act as implemented by 24 CFR 100;
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973*; and
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as implemented by 28 CFR 35.

* All Developments must comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as implemented by 24 CFR Part 8 ("Section 504 and its related regulations"). All Developments must meet accessibility standards of Section 504. Section 504 accessibility standards require a minimum of 5 percent of the total dwelling units, but not fewer than one unit, to be accessible for individuals with mobility impairments. An additional 2 percent of the total units, but not fewer than one unit, must be accessible for persons with hearing or vision impairments.

To the extent that a Development is not otherwise subject to Section 504 and its related regulations, the Development shall nevertheless comply with Section 504 and its related regulations as requirements of the Corporation funding program to the same extent as if the Development were subject to Section 504 and its related regulations in all respects. To that end, all Corporation funding shall be deemed "Federal financial assistance" within the meaning of that term as used in Section 504 and its related regulations for all Developments.

Federal and state law and building code regulations requires that programs, activities, and facilities be readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. Florida Housing requires that the design, construction, or alteration of its financed Developments be in compliance with federal and state accessibility requirements. When more than one law and accessibility standard applies, the Applicant shall comply with the standard (2010 ADA Standards, Section 504, Fair Housing Act, or Florida Building Code, Accessibility) which affords the greater level of accessibility for the residents and visitors. Areas required to be made accessible to mobility-impaired residents and their visitors, including those in wheelchairs, shall include, but not be limited to, accessible routes and entrances, paths of travel, primary function areas, parking, trash bins, mail and package receiving areas for residents, pool and other amenities, including paths of travel to amenities and laundry rooms, including washers and dryers.

The above documents are available on the RFA Website.

b. General Features

The following General Features must be provided for all proposed Developments:

- Broadband infrastructure which includes cables, fiber optics, wiring, or other infrastructure, as long as the installation results in accessibility in each unit;
- Termite prevention;
- Pest control;
- Window covering for each window and glass door inside each unit;

- Cable or satellite TV hook-up in each unit and, if the Development offers cable or satellite TV service to the residents, the price cannot exceed the market rate for service of similar quality available to the Development's residents from a primary provider of cable or satellite TV;
 - Single Family Homes must have washer and dryer hook ups in each of the Development's units. All other Development Types must have washer and dryer hook ups in each of the Development's units or an on-site laundry facility for resident use. If the proposed Development will have an on-site laundry facility, the following requirements must be met:
 - There must be a minimum of one Energy Star certified washer and one Energy Star certified dryer per every 15 units. To determine the required number of washers and dryers for the on-site laundry facility; divide the total number of the Development's units by 15, and then round the equation's total up to the nearest whole number; and
 - If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, the laundry facility shall be located on each of the Scattered Sites, or no more than 1/16 mile from the Scattered Site with the most units, or a combination of both.
 - At least two full bathrooms in all 3 bedroom or larger units;
 - Bathtub with shower in at least one bathroom in at least 90 percent of the units; and
 - A full-size range and oven in all units.
- c. Required Accessibility Features, regardless of the age of Development

(1) Required Accessibility Features in all Units

- Primary entrance doors on an accessible route shall have a threshold with no more than a ½-inch rise;
- All door handles on primary entrance door and interior doors must have lever handles;
- Lever handles on all bathroom faucets and kitchen sink faucets;
- Mid-point on light switches and thermostats shall not be more than 48 inches above finished floor level; and
- Cabinet drawer handles and cabinet door handles in bathroom and kitchen shall be lever or D-pull type that operate easily using a single closed fist.

- (2) All Developments must provide reinforced walls for future installation of horizontal grab bars in place around each toilet/shower, or a Corporation-approved alternative approach for grab bar installation. The installation of the grab bars must meet or exceed the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, Section 604.5.1 (Side Wall) and 604.5.2 (Rear Wall).

At the request of and at no charge to a resident household, the Development shall purchase and install grab bars around each tub/shower unit and toilet in the dwelling unit. The product specifications and installation must meet or exceed 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. The Development shall

inform a prospective resident that the Development, upon a resident household's request and at no charge to the household, will install grab bars around a dwelling unit's tub/shower unit, pursuant to the 2010 ADA Standards. At a minimum, the Development shall inform each prospective lessee by including language in the Development's written materials listing and describing the unit's features, as well as including the language in each household's lease.

d. Required Green Building Features in all Developments

(1) All units must have the features listed below:

- Low or No-VOC paint for all interior walls (Low-VOC means 50 grams per liter or less for flat; 150 grams per liter or less for non-flat paint);
 - Low-flow water fixtures in bathrooms—WaterSense labeled products or the following specifications:
 - Toilets: 1.28 gallons/flush or less,
 - Urinals: 0.5 gallons/flush,
 - Lavatory Faucets: 1.5 gallons/minute or less at 60 psi flow rate,
 - Showerheads: 2.0 gallons/minute or less at 80 psi flow rate;
 - Energy Star certified refrigerator;
 - Energy Star certified dishwasher;
 - Energy Star certified ventilation fan in all bathrooms;
 - Water heater minimum efficiency specifications:
 - Residential Electric:
 - Up to 55 gallons = .95 EF or .92 UEF; or
 - More than 55 gallons = Energy Star certified; or
 - Tankless = Energy Star certified;
 - Residential Gas (storage or tankless/instantaneous): Energy Star certified,
 - Commercial Gas Water Heater: Energy Star certified;
 - Energy Star certified ceiling fans with lighting fixtures in bedrooms;
 - Air Conditioning (choose in-unit or commercial):
 - Air-Source Heat Pumps – Energy Star certified:
 - ≥ 8.5 HSPF/ ≥ 15 SEER/ ≥ 12.5 EER for split systems
 - ≥ 8.2 HSPF ≥ 15 SEER/ ≥ 12 EER for single package equipment including gas/electric package units
 - Central Air Conditioners – Energy Star certified:
 - ≥ 15 SEER/ ≥ 12.5 EER* for split systems
 - ≥ 15 SEER/ ≥ 12 EER* for single package equipment including gas/electric package units.
- NOTE: Window air conditioners and portable air conditioners are not allowed. Package Terminal Air Conditioners (PTACs) / Package Terminal Heat Pumps (PTHPs) are allowed in studio and 1 bedroom units.

(2) In addition to the required Green Building features outlined in (1) above, proposed Developments must achieve one of the following Green Building

Certification programs: Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED); Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC); or ICC 700 National Green Building Standard (NGBS).

9. Resident Programs

The quality of the Resident Programs committed to by the Applicant is subject to approval of the Board of Directors. The availability of the Resident Programs must be publicized on an ongoing basis such as through community newsletters, bulletin board posts, or flyers.

For proposed Developments that consist of up to 25 units, it is a requirement that at least one Resident Program be selected; a Resident Program may be conducted off-site if accommodations are made so that residents can attend without incurring transportation expense. For all proposed Developments that consist of more than 25 units, it is a requirement that at least two of the Resident Programs be selected and offered on-site. The eligible resident programs which may be selected are as follows:

a. After School Program for Children

This program requires the Applicant or its Management Company to provide supervised, structured, age-appropriate activities for children during after school hours, Monday through Friday.

b. Adult Literacy

The Applicant or its Management Company must make available, at no cost to the resident, literacy tutor(s) who will provide weekly literacy lessons to residents in private space. Various literacy programming can be offered that strengthens participants' reading, writing skills, and comprehension, but at a minimum, these must include English proficiency and basic reading education.

Training must be held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and electronic media, if used, must be used in conjunction with live instruction. If the Resident Program is offered on site, and if the Development consists of Scattered Sites, this resident program must be provided on the Scattered Site with the most units.

c. Employment Assistance Program

The Applicant or its Management Company must provide, at no cost to the resident, a minimum of quarterly scheduled Employment Assistance Program workshops/meetings offering employment counseling by a knowledgeable employment counselor. Such a program includes employability skills workshops providing instruction in the basic skills necessary for getting, keeping, and doing well in a job. The instruction must be held between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Evaluation of current job skills;
- Assistance in setting job goals;

- Assistance in development of and regular review/update of an individualized plan for each participating resident;
- Resume assistance;
- Interview preparation; and
- Placement and follow-up services.

Electronic media, if used, must be used in conjunction with live instruction.

d. Family Support Coordinator

A Family Support Coordinator must be provided at no cost to the resident. The Family Support Coordinator shall assist residents in assessing needs and obtaining services, with the goal of promoting successful tenancies and helping residents achieve and maintain maximum independence and self-sufficiency. Responsibilities shall include linking residents with public and private resources in the community to provide needed assistance, develop and oversee on-site programs and activities based on the needs and interests of residents, and support residents in organizing group activities to build community and to address and solve problems such as crime and drug activity. The duties of the Family Support Coordinator shall not be performed by property management staff. The Coordinator shall be on-site and available to residents at least 20 hours per week, within the hours of 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. The Coordinator may be an employee of the Development or, through an agreement, an employee of a third-party agency or organization that provides these services.

e. Financial Management Program

The Applicant or its Management Company shall provide a series of classes to provide residents training in various aspects of personal financial management. Classes must be held at least quarterly, consisting of at least two hours of training per quarter, and must be conducted by parties that are qualified to provide training regarding the respective topic area. If the Resident Program is offered on site, and if the Development consists of Scattered Sites, the Resident Program must be held on the Scattered Site with the most units. Residents residing at the other sites of a Scattered Site Development must be offered transportation, at no cost to them, to the classes. The topic areas must include, but not be limited to:

- Financial budgeting and bill-paying including training in the use of technologies and web-based applications;
- Tax preparation including do's and don'ts, common tips, and how and where to file, including electronically;
- Fraud prevention including how to prevent credit card and banking fraud, identity theft, computer hacking and avoiding common consumer scams;
- Retirement planning & savings options including preparing a will and estate planning; and
- Homebuyer education including how to prepare to buy a home, and how to access to first-time homebuyer programs in the county in which the development is located.

Different topic areas must be selected for each session, and no topic area may be repeated consecutively.

10. Funding

a. Corporation Funding

(1) CDBG-DR Funding

(a) CDBG-DR Funding Request Amounts

State the amount of CDBG-DR Funding it is requesting in Exhibit A, as well as on the Development Cost Pro Forma. The maximum CDBG-DR request is the lesser of the Total Maximum Per Unit CDBG-DR Rental FHFC Subsidy Limit for the applicable county as calculated in question 10.a.(2) of Exhibit A or \$5 million.

County	HUD Subsidy Limit				
	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
Alachua, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Levy, Marion, Putnam, Suwannee	\$139,149	\$158,368	\$192,575	\$249,130	\$266,417
Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, Sarasota, Seminole, Sumter, Union, Volusia	\$141,088	\$161,738	\$196,672	\$254,431	\$272,085

(b) Loan Terms

The loan shall be non-amortizing and shall have an interest rate of zero percent per annum. The loan will not require payment for as long as the proposed Development remains in Compliance. The loan will be forgiven after 20 years. The terms and conditions of the loan are further outlined in Exhibit E of this RFA.

(c) Additional adjustments, if applicable

During the scoring process, if the Applicant states a request amount that is greater than the amount the Applicant is eligible to request, the Corporation will reduce the amount down to the maximum amount the Applicant is eligible to request. The Applicant's request amount will be reviewed for compliance with the per unit limit and per Development limit, as well as its contribution to the percentage of Total Development Cost limitation below.

If a reduction in the request amount is needed and a funding shortfall is created in either the Construction and/or the Permanent Analysis of the Applicant's Development Cost Pro Forma, the amount of the adjustment(s), to the extent needed and possible, will be offset by increasing the deferred Developer fee up to the maximum eligible amount as provided below.

- (3) Other Corporation Funding
 - (a) If the Development has received funding from the Predevelopment Loan Program (PLP), the Corporation file number and amount of funding must be listed. Note: PLP funding cannot be used as a source of financing on the Construction Analysis or the Permanent Analysis.
 - (b) List any other Corporation funding that is intended to be utilized as a source of financing for the proposed Development.

(2) b. Non-Corporation Funding Proposals

Unless stated otherwise within this RFA, in order for funding, other than Corporation funding and deferred Developer fee, to be counted as a source on the Development Cost Pro Forma, provide documentation of all financing proposals from both the construction and the permanent lender(s), and other sources of funding. The financing proposals must state whether they are for construction financing, permanent financing, or both, and all attachments and/or exhibits referenced in the proposal must be included. Insert documentation for each source as **Attachment 13** to Exhibit A. Evidence for each funding source must be behind its own sequentially numbered attachment.

For purposes of the Application, the following will not be considered a source of financing: net operating income, capital contributions, fee waivers or any portion of any fees that are reimbursed by the local government. Also, fee waivers and any portion of any fees that are reimbursed by the local government cannot be considered as Development costs.

Financing proposal documentation, regardless of whether the documentation is in the form of a commitment, proposal, term sheet, or letter of intent, must meet the following criteria. Evidence for each funding source must be behind its own numbered attachment.

- (1) Each financing proposal shall contain:
 - Amount of the construction loan, if applicable;
 - Amount of the permanent loan, if applicable;
 - Specific reference to the Applicant as the borrower or direct recipient; and
 - Signature of all parties, including acceptance by the Applicant.

Note: For ALL Applicants, eligible Local Government financial commitments can be considered without meeting the requirements of (i) through (iv) above if the Applicant provides the properly completed and executed Local Government Verification of Contribution – Grant Form and/or the Local Government Verification of Contribution – Loan Form.

(2) Financing that has closed

If the financing has closed in the Applicant's name, provide a letter from the lender acknowledging that the loan has closed. The letter must also include the following information:

- Amount of the construction loan, if applicable;
- Amount of the permanent loan, if applicable; and
- Specific reference to the Applicant as the borrower/direct recipient/mortgagee.

(3) If the financing proposal is not from a Regulated Mortgage Lender in the business of making loans or a governmental entity, evidence of ability to fund must be provided. Evidence of ability to fund includes: (i) a copy of the lender's most current audited financial statements no more than 17 months old; or (ii) if the loan has already been funded, a copy of the note and recorded mortgage. The age of all financial statements is as of the Application Deadline. In evaluating ability to fund, the Corporation will consider the entity's unrestricted current assets typically used in the normal course of business. Assets considered restricted include, but are not limited to, pension funds, rental security deposits, and sinking funds. Financing proposals from lenders who cannot demonstrate ability to fund will not count as a source of financing. Financial statements must be included in the Application. Note: This provision does not apply to deferred Developer fee.

In the case where the seller of the Development's property is providing a seller's note (purchase money mortgage) to help finance the Applicant's acquisition of the property, evidence of its ability to fund the amount of the seller's note is not needed so long as the Application includes a letter from the seller that meets the financing proposal criteria outlined in (4)(a) above and the amount of the seller's note is equal to or less than the purchase price of the property.

(4) If a financing proposal shows an amount less than the corresponding line item on the Development Cost Pro Forma, only the financing proposal amount will be considered as a funding source. However, if a financing proposal shows an amount greater than the corresponding line item on the Development Cost Pro Forma, up to the total amount of the financing proposal amount may be utilized as a funding source, if needed.

- (5) The loan amount may be conditioned upon an appraisal or debt service coverage ratio or any other typical due diligence required during credit underwriting.
- (6) Financing proposals may be conditioned upon the Applicant receiving the funding from the Corporation for which it is applying.
- (7) If a financing proposal has a provision for holding back funds until certain conditions are met, the amount of the hold-back will not be counted as a source of construction financing unless it can be determined that the conditions for the release of the hold-back can be met prior to or simultaneous with the closing of the Development's permanent financing.
- (8) Grant funds are contributions to the Development, other than equity, which carry no repayment provision or interest rate. A commitment for grant funds will be considered a commitment for scoring purposes if the commitment is properly executed and, if applicable, evidence of ability to fund is provided.

c. Development Cost Pro Forma

All Applicants must complete the Development Cost Pro Forma listing the anticipated expenses or uses, the Detail/Explanation Sheet, if applicable, and the Construction Analysis and Permanent Analysis listing the anticipated sources (both Corporation and non-Corporation funding). The sources must equal or exceed the uses. During the scoring process, if a funding source is not considered and/or if the Applicant's funding Request Amount is adjusted downward, this may result in a funding shortfall. If the Applicant has a funding shortfall, it will be ineligible for funding.

The Development Cost Pro Forma must include all anticipated costs of the Development construction and, if applicable, acquisition, including the Developer fee and General Contractor fee, as outlined below. Waived or reimbursed fees or charges are not considered costs to the Development and therefore, should not be included on the Development Cost Pro Forma. Note: deferred Developer fees are not considered "waived fees."

Developer fee and General Contractor fee must be disclosed. In the event the Developer fee and/or General Contractor fee are/is not disclosed on the Development Cost Pro Forma, the Corporation will assume that these fees will be the maximum allowable and will add the maximum amount(s) to Total Development Cost. If an Applicant lists a Developer fee, General Contractor fee, or contingency reserve that exceeds the stated Application limits, the Corporation will adjust the fee to the maximum allowable. As stated below, Applicants may not enter any amounts pertaining to operating deficit reserves. The Corporation will not consider any operating deficit reserves listed on the Development Cost Pro Forma.

Unless stated otherwise in this RFA, except for deferred Developer fee, the Application requires complete information on all sources of Development funding

and the proposed uses of those funds. All loans, grants, donations, syndication proceeds, etc., should be detailed in the Application as outlined above. The total of monetary funds determined to be in funding proposals must equal or exceed uses.

(1) Developer Fee

Developer Fee, is limited to 16 percent of the Development Cost stated on the Development Cost Pro Forma in Column 3 of Item C, rounded down to the nearest dollar. If the maximums are exceeded, the Corporation will adjust the amount down to the maximum allowed.

- If the amount of Developer fee on Non-Acquisition Costs is more than the amount allowed, the Corporation will reduce the amount of Developer fee on Non-Acquisition Costs to the maximum allowed amount, up to the maximum allowed amount.

The Corporation will allow up to 100 percent of the eligible Developer fee to be deferred and used as a source on the Development Cost Pro Forma without the requirement to show evidence of ability to fund.

Consulting fees, if any, and any financial or other guarantees required for the financing must be paid out of the Developer fee. Consulting fees include, but are not limited to, payments for Application consultants, construction management or supervision consultants, or local government consultants.

(2) General Contractor Fee

General Contractor fee shall be limited to 14 percent of actual construction cost. The maximum allowable General Contractor fee will be tested during the scoring of the Application by multiplying the actual construction cost by 14 percent, rounded down to the nearest dollar.

(3) Contingency Reserves

For Application purposes, the maximum hard and soft cost contingencies allowed cannot exceed 5 percent of hard and soft costs. The determination of the contingency reserve is limited to the maximum stated percentage of total actual construction costs (hard costs) and general development costs (soft costs), as applicable.

(4) Operating Deficit Reserves

An operating deficit reserve is not to be included as part of Development Costs and cannot be used in determining the maximum Developer fee. Applicants may not enter any amounts pertaining to any type of reserve

other than the contingency reserve mentioned above on the Development Cost Pro Forma as part of the Application process. A reserve, including an operating deficit reserve, if necessary as determined by an equity provider, first mortgage lender, and/or the Credit Underwriter engaged by the Corporation in its reasonable discretion, will be required and sized in credit underwriting. The inclusion of any reserve is not permitted in the Application (other than the permitted contingency reserve) which may include, but is not limited to, operating deficit reserve, debt service shortfalls, lease-up, rent-re-stabilization, working capital, lender or syndicator required reserve(s), and any pre-funded capital (replacement) reserves. If any reserve other than the permitted contingency reserve can be identified and is included in the Development Cost Pro Forma, the Corporation will remove it during Application scoring.

In exchange for receiving funding from the Corporation, the Corporation reserves the authority to restrict the disposition of any funds remaining in any operating deficit reserve(s) after the term of the reserve's original purpose has terminated or is near termination. Authorized disposition uses are limited to payments towards any outstanding loan balances of the Development funded from the Corporation, any outstanding Corporation fees, any unpaid costs incurred in the completion of the Development (i.e., deferred Developer fee), the Development's capital replacement reserve account (provided, however, that any operating deficit reserve funds deposited to the replacement reserve account will not replace, negate, or otherwise be considered an advance payment or pre-funding of the Applicant's obligation to periodically fund the replacement reserve account), the reimbursement of any loan(s) provided by a partner, member or guarantor as set forth in the Applicant's organizational agreement (i.e., operating or limited partnership agreement). The actual direction of the disposition is at the Applicant's discretion so long as it is an option permitted by the Corporation. In no event, shall the payment of amounts to the Applicant or the Developer from any operating deficit reserve established for the Development cause the Developer fee or General Contractor fee to exceed the applicable percentage limitations provided for in this RFA.

- (5) With respect to the loan amount(s), all fees set forth in Exhibit C to the RFA are part of Development Cost and can be included in the Development Cost Pro Forma and paid with loan proceeds.

- d. Principal of the Applicant is a Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority

The Applicant should state whether any Principals of the Applicant entity are a Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority. To qualify as an instrumentality, the Public Housing Authority and/or instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority must be reflected on the CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19). The Public Housing Authority and/or

instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority must not be disclosed as only the Investor Limited Partner of the Applicant or Investor Member of the Applicant.

If the Principal of the Applicant is an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority, state the name of the Public Housing Authority.

11. Uniform Relocation Act:

The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (URA) is government-wide legislation which establishes minimum standards for federally-funded programs or projects requiring the acquisition of real property or displacement of persons from the homes, businesses, or farms as a direct result of: Acquisition, Rehabilitation or Demolition. CDBG-DR is the same as CDBG except as expressly waived and alternative requirements as issued for CDBG-DR funds that are specific to each disaster. Applicants should be prepared to familiarize themselves with URA & Section 104(d) statutes and regulations at 49 CFR 24 (URA), 24 CFR 42 (104(d), 24 CFR 570 (CDBG) and Section 414 of the Stafford Act. The URA is triggered at site identification or intended use of federal funds. A General Information Notice (GIN) should be issued to all occupants at such time there exists, 1) documented legal intent of a project triggered by project pre-application/application, AND 2) site identification. For land proposed for acquisition that may have occupied residential dwellings, compliance begins at General Information Notice information, and the following required Uniform Relocation Act information must be provided in the Application.

a. Occupied Units:

At question 11.a. of Exhibit A, select "Yes" if any units are occupied.

b. Tenant Relocation Information for Existing Properties:

At question 11.b.(1) through (4) of Exhibit A, answer all applicable questions.

- (1) State how many total units now exist on land in the proposed Development.
- (2) State how many units are occupied.
- (3) State whether or not, based on the income information of each tenant, permanent relocation (displacement) is anticipated during or after the construction/redevelopment period. If "Yes", state how many units are affected.
- (4) State whether or not temporary relocation of any tenants will be required. If "Yes", state how many tenants will require temporary relocation.

At questions 11.b.(5) through (7) of Exhibit A, provide the following required information:

- (5) Provide in the Application, as **Attachment 14**, a list of all occupied units and tenant income certifications. The income of persons and households who are currently occupying a unit that will receive CDBG-DR assistance must be provided to determine whether they are income eligible. For all occupied units, provide a summary list of all residents and income certifications for those residents in occupied units that will be CDBG-DR-Assisted Units. If the existing residents and/or Development is/are currently participating in a federally subsidized program (such as Project-based Section 8, Section 8 Existing or Section 8 Voucher Programs), the residents' current income certification forms required for that program may be used to meet this requirement.
- (6) Provide in the Application, as **Attachment 15**, a brief description of how the Development will meet the CDBG-DR set-aside requirements. The description must indicate whether the existing residents are CDBG-DR eligible residents, or whether the residents will be evicted and replaced with income eligible residents in order to meet the set-aside requirements committed to in this Application.
- (7) Provide in the Application, as **Attachment 16**, a description of how the cost of relocation will be covered. Detail how the temporary and permanent relocation will be handled.

The CDBG-DR General Information Notice information will be required only after the Application is selected for funding, as outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C. The due date for this information will be included in the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

c. Uniform Relocation Act Acquisition Information (For All Development Categories):

Provide the following information:

- (1) If the Applicant owns the Development site (i.e., holds a deed or currently has a lease with a minimum 50-year term), provide a narrative describing the acquisition as **Attachment 17** to Exhibit A. This narrative must describe how, when, and from whom the property was acquired and whether or not the property was vacant when acquired.
- (2) If the Applicant is a private company and is acquiring the property or will have a lease with a minimum 50-year term for the property, the Applicant (buyer) must provide the seller with a notice that the buyer does not have the power of eminent domain to obtain the property and a determination of market value will estimate the value of the property. This must be done prior to execution of the contract or proposed lease (with a minimum 50-year term) or may be attached as an addendum to the contract or proposed lease (with a minimum 50-year term). A copy

of the required notice and confirmation of the current owner's/seller's receipt of notice must be provided as **Attachment 18** to Exhibit A.

- (3) If the Applicant is a public (government) Applicant, respond to all applicable remaining questions in this relocation section.
- (4) Eminent Domain:
 - (a) If the buyer has the power of eminent domain, the buyer must notify the seller in writing that it has such power and the determination of market value for the property is being waived. Provide a copy of the required notice as **Attachment 19** to Exhibit A.
 - (b) If the Applicant is a public (government) Applicant and does not have the power of eminent domain, provide the following: (i) notice of interest, (ii) determination of fair market value, (iii) appraisal of the property, and (iv) written offer of just compensation which includes a statement of just value, property description, and identification of buildings. Provide all required documentation as **Attachment 19** to Exhibit A.

B. Addenda

The Applicant may use the Addenda section of Exhibit A to provide any additional information or explanatory addendum for items in the Application. Please specify the particular item to which the additional information or explanatory addendum applies.

**SECTION FIVE
SCORING AND EVALUATION PROCESS**

A. Determining Eligibility

Only Applications that meet all of the following Eligibility Items will be eligible for funding and considered for funding selection.

Eligibility Items
Submission Requirements met*
Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form provided
Name of Applicant provided
Evidence Applicant is a legally formed entity provided
Name of Each Developer provided
Evidence that each Developer entity is a legally formed entity provided
Principals for Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form provided
Name of Management Company provided

Prior experience chart for the Management Company or a principal of the Management Company provided, if applicable
Authorized Principal Representative provided
Name of Proposed Development provided
Development Type provided
Question whether construction has commenced answered
Address of Development Site provided
Question whether a Scattered Sites Development answered
Latitude and Longitude Coordinates for all sites including any Scattered Sites provided, if applicable
Total Number of Units provided and within limits
Number of residential buildings provided
Unit Mix provided and meets requirements
Evidence of Site Control provided
Appropriate Zoning demonstrated
Availability of Electricity demonstrated
Availability of Water demonstrated
Availability of Sewer demonstrated
Availability of Roads demonstrated
Minimum Resident Programs selected, if applicable
Applicant's Development Funding Request Amount provided
Development Cost Pro Forma provided (listing expenses or uses) and Construction analysis and Permanent analysis (listing sources) – Sources must equal or exceed uses
Units occupied question answered
Tenant Relocation information provided, if applicable
Uniform Relocation Act documentation provided, if applicable
Financial Arrearage Requirements met**
No prior acceptance to an invitation to enter credit underwriting for the same Development in a previous RFA. ***
Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation met****

* Submission Requirement

To be eligible for funding, the following submission requirements must be met: (i) the Application must be submitted online by the Application Deadline, (ii) the required hard copy must be submitted by the Application Deadline, (iii) the Applicant's hard copy submission must be contained in a sealed package, and (iv) the required Application fee must be submitted as of the Application Deadline.

** Financial Arrearage Requirement

An Application will be deemed ineligible for funding if, as of close of business the day before the Committee meets to make a recommendation to the Board, there remains any financial obligations for which an Applicant or Developer or Principal, Affiliate or

Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer is in arrears to the Corporation or any agent or assignee of the Corporation as reflected on the most recently published Past Due Report posted to the Corporation's Website under the link Property Owners & Managers/Past Due Reports (also accessible by clicking [here](#)), but not more recently than five business days prior to the date the Committee meets to make a recommendation to the Board.

*** An Application will be deemed ineligible for funding if the Applicant has accepted an invitation to enter credit underwriting for the same Development in a previous RFA (with the exception of funding awarded under the Predevelopment Loan Program (PLP) and/or the Elderly Housing Community Loan (EHCL) program) and, as of Application Deadline for this RFA, the funding has not been returned to the Corporation. If the acceptance to an invitation to enter credit underwriting in a previous RFA occurs after the Application Deadline and before the Review Committee Meeting for this RFA, the proposed Development will be considered ineligible for funding in this RFA. If the acceptance to an invitation to enter credit underwriting in a previous RFA occurs after the Review Committee Meeting for this RFA, the proposed Development will be considered ineligible for funding in this RFA and any funding awarded in this RFA will be rescinded and considered Returned Funding.

**** Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation

By submitting its Application, the Applicant agrees and acknowledges that the Application will be subject to the Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation during the scoring and credit underwriting.

The Corporation shall limit the Total Development Cost (TDC) per unit for all Developments categorized by the construction type of the units as indicated below and this limit is referred to as the TDC Per Unit Limitation. It is a limit based on TDC, but exclusive of land costs and exclusive of any operating deficit reserves that are part of the permanent phase (i.e., non-construction) financing for the Development which have not been included within the Developer fee, applying any applicable TDC multiplier and/or TDC add-on. The proposed Development's TDC will be tested against the TDC Per Unit Limitation during the scoring of the RFA, utilizing the Development Type, Development Category and ESS Construction determination made by the Applicant in the RFA and it will apply to all units in the proposed Development. During the credit underwriting process, and during the final allocation process, the maximum TDC per unit will be recalculated for each unit type as described in Item 1 of Exhibit C, with consideration given to whether the Development consists of a mix of wood and ESS Construction units.

Any Application that has an amount that exceeds these limitations during scoring will not be eligible for funding. These TDC Per Unit Base Limitation amounts, inclusive of any applicable TDC multiplier and/or TDC add-on, are effective during the scoring process. Item 1 of Exhibit C provides the TDC Per Unit Base Limitation amounts that account for an escalation factor to be incorporated for the credit underwriting process and final allocation process, as explained in the exhibit.

Total Development Cost Per Unit Base Limitations

Measure	New Construction Units	
	Wood*	ESS*
Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation ** for all counties except Broward and Miami-Dade	\$206,000	\$248,000
Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation ** for Broward and Miami-Dade counties	\$217,000	\$260,000
Applicable TDC Multipliers (to be applied against the Development's TDC) and TDC Add-Ons (to be added to the Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation)		
TDC Add-On for the additional costs related to the Federal Program	\$5,000 of additional per unit costs will be added to the above Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation	

** Exclusive of land costs and exclusive of any approved operating deficit reserves that are part of the permanent phase (i.e., non-construction) financing for the Development which have not been included within the Developer fee. When the term of operating deficit reserves (ODR) is mentioned in this TDC Per Unit Limitation section, the term shall refer to these particular operating deficit reserves. Examples of reserves which can be considered part of the operating deficit reserve for this calculation are provided in the Operating Deficit Reserve portion of the Funding section in the RFA. For purposes of property acquisition valuation (land with or without building improvements), the Corporation uses the lesser of the appraised value, or the actual cost of acquisition. The appraised value will be determined during credit underwriting. When land costs are referenced in this TDC Per Unit Limitation section, the reference shall be limited to the amount of the land cost approved by the Corporation to be provided in the final cost certification under the land owned cost line item. For Applicants that have a public housing authority/instrumentality of a public housing authority listed as a Principal on the Applicant's Principal Disclosure Form may also exclude demolition costs and tenant relocation costs from TDC PU Limitation calculations. The total amount of costs that are to be excluded from the TDC Per Unit Limitation process are the applicable land costs, operating deficit reserves and certain PHA costs described herein are referred to in Exhibit C in the congregate as applicable qualifying costs.

2. Awarding Points

Point Items	Maximum Points
Submission of Principal Disclosure Form stamped by Corporation as "Pre-Approved"	5
Total Possible Points	5

B. Selection Process

1. Application Sorting Order

All eligible Applications will be ranked by sorting the Applications as follows:

- a. First, by the Tier Level, with Tier 1 Applications receiving the highest preference;
- b. Next, by the points achieved;
- c. Next, by the Resiliency Preference outlined in Section Four, A.4.d, with Applications that qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference;

- d. Next, by the Affordable Housing Experience Preference outlined in Section Four, A.3.b.(3), with Applications that qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference;
- e. Next, by the Federal Funding Experience Preference outlined in Section Four, A.3.b.(4), with Applications that qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference;
- f. Next, by the Application's CDBG-DR Development Funding Request Amount per Unit;
- g. By the Application's eligibility for the Florida Job Creation Funding Preference which is outlined in Item 2 of Exhibit C of the RFA (with Applications that qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference);
- h. Finally, by lottery number, with Applications that have a lower lottery number listed above Applications with a higher lottery number.

2. Funding

Funding Available -- As stated in Section One, \$20,000,000 in CDBG-DR funding will be made available for award.

3. County Award Tally

As each Application is selected for tentative funding, regardless of Tier Level, the county where the proposed Development will be located will have one Application credited toward the County Award Tally. The Corporation will prioritize eligible unfunded Applications that meet the Funding Test and are located in counties that have the lowest applicable County Award Tally above other eligible unfunded Applications in counties with a higher County Award Tally that also meet the Funding Test, even if the Applications with a higher County Award Tally are higher ranked.

4. Selection Process

The highest ranked eligible unfunded Application(s) that can be fully funded will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally described above.

If funding remains and no eligible unfunded Applications can be fully funded, no further Applications will be selected for funding and any remaining funding will be distributed as approved by the Board.

6. Returned Allocation

Funding that becomes available after the Board takes action on the Committee's recommendations, due to an Applicant withdrawing its Application, an Applicant declining its invitation to enter credit underwriting, or the Applicant's inability to satisfy a requirement outlined in this RFA will be distributed as approved by the Board.

**SECTION SIX
AWARD PROCESS**

Committee members shall independently evaluate and score their assigned portions of the submitted Applications, consulting with non-committee Corporation staff and legal counsel as necessary and appropriate.

The Committee shall conduct at least one public meeting during which the Committee members may discuss their evaluations, select Applicants to be considered for award, and make any adjustments deemed necessary to best serve the interests of the Corporation's mission. The Committee will list the Applications deemed eligible for funding in order applying the funding selection criteria outlined in Section Five above, and develop a recommendation or series of recommendations to the Board.

The Board may use the Applications, the Committee's scoring, any other information or recommendation provided by the Committee or staff, and any other information the Board deems relevant in its selection of Applicants to whom to award funding. Notwithstanding an award by the Board pursuant to this RFA, funding will be subject to a positive recommendation from the Credit Underwriter based on criteria outlined in the credit underwriting provisions in Exhibit F of this RFA.

The Corporation shall provide notice of its decision, or intended decision, for this RFA on the Corporation's Website the day of the applicable Board vote. After posting, an unsuccessful Applicant may file a notice of protest and a formal written protest in accordance with Section 120.57(3), Fla. Stat., et. al. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Fla. Stat., et. al. shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Fla. Stat.

After the Board's decision to select Applicants for funding in this RFA has become final action, the Corporation shall offer all Applicants within the funding range an invitation to enter credit underwriting. The Corporation shall select the Credit Underwriter for each Development.

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1. Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form

Provide the Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement, executed by the Authorized Principal Representative, as **Attachment 1**.

2. Demographic Commitment

The Demographic Commitment must be Workforce, serving the general population.

3. Applicant/Developer/Management Company/Contact Person Information

a. Applicant

- (1) Name of Applicant

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (2) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate that the Applicant is a legally formed entity qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline as **Attachment 2**.

- (3) Does the Applicant or the General Partner or managing member of the Applicant meet the definition of Non-Profit as set forth in Exhibit B?

[Choose an item.](#)

If “Yes,” provide the required information for the Non-Profit entity as **Attachment 3**.

b. General Developer Information

- (1) Name of each Developer (including all co-Developers)

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (2) For each Developer entity listed in question (1) above (that is not a natural person), provide, as **Attachment 4**, the required documentation demonstrating that the Developer is a legally formed entity qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline.

- (3) Affordable Housing Experience Funding Preference

Does at least one natural person Principal of the Developer entity, or if more than one Developer entity, at least one natural person Principal of at least one of the Developer entities, meet the requirements to qualify for the Affordable Housing Experience Funding Preference?

Choose an item.

If “Yes”, in order to qualify for the preference, provide, as **Attachment 4**, the required prior experience chart demonstrating the experience.

(4) Federal Funding Experience Funding Preference

Does at least one Principal of the Developer entity, or if more than one Developer entity, at least one Principal of at least one of the Developer entities, meet the requirements to qualify for the Federal Funding Experience Preference?

Choose an item.

If “Yes”, in order to qualify for the preference, the prior experience chart provided as **Attachment 4** must demonstrate the experience.

c. Principals Disclosure for the Applicant and for each Developer (5 points)

(1) Eligibility Requirement

To meet the submission requirements, upload the CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19) (“Principals Disclosure Form”) with the Application and Development Cost Pro Forma, as outlined in Section Three of the RFA.

(2) Point Item

Applicants will receive 5 points if the uploaded Principal Disclosure Form was stamped “Approved” during the Advance Review Process provided it is still correct as of Application Deadline.

d. General Management Company

Name of the Management Company:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

If the Development consists of more than 25 units, provide, as **Attachment 5**, the required prior experience chart for the Management Company or a principal of the Management Company reflecting the required information.

e. Authorized Principal Representative / Contact Person

(1) Authorized Principal Representative contact information (required)

Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Organization: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Street Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

City: [Click here to enter text.](#)

State: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Zip: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Telephone: [Click here to enter text.](#)
E-Mail Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

(2) Operational Contact Person information (optional)

Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Organization: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Street Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)
City: [Click here to enter text.](#)
State: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Zip: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Telephone: [Click here to enter text.](#)
E-Mail Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

4. General Proposed Development Information

a. Name of the proposed Development

[Click here to enter text.](#)

b. Development Category must be new construction, with or without acquisition. All units must consist entirely of new construction units. Rehabilitation of existing units is not allowed. Demolition of current structures is allowed.

c. Select the Development Type

[Choose an item.](#)

d. Resiliency Preference

Does the proposed Development meet the Resiliency Preference?

[Choose an item.](#)

e. Has construction commenced?

[Choose an item.](#)

Note: If "Yes", all rules and regulations in Item 5 of Exhibit C, which includes cross-cutting Federal Regulations, will apply.

5. Location of proposed Development

a. Indicate the county: [Choose a county.](#)

b. Address of Development Site

State the Address

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- c. Does the proposed Development consist of Scattered Sites?

[Choose an item.](#)

- d. Latitude and Longitude Coordinates

- (1) Latitude and Longitude Coordinates of the first site

Latitude in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Longitude in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (2) If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, identify the latitude and longitude coordinate for any additional sites not identified above, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- e. Tier 1, 2, 3 and 4 Classification

- (1) Indicate the Tier Classification Level of the Application: [Choose a zip code.](#)
If applying as a Tier 1 Application, indicate which of the following zip codes applies to the proposed Development: [Choose a zip code.](#)

- (2) If applying as a Tier 2 or Tier 3 Application, demonstrate that the proposed Development is located in an eligible Rural Area as defined by the United State Department of Agriculture Rural Development (RD) by providing the required evidence confirming that the proposed Development is located in an RD-designated Rural Area as **Attachment 6.**

- (3) Applications that do not qualify as Tier 1, 2, or 3 as stated above will be deemed Tier 4.

6. Number of Building and Units

- a. Total number of units in the proposed Development: [Click here to enter text.](#)

- b. Total Set Aside Breakdown Chart

- (1) Workforce Units

The Applicant must commit to set aside 100 percent of the total units at or below 80 percent Area Median Income (AMI).

(2) Extremely Low-Income (ELI) Set-Aside Units

At least 10 percent of the total units must be set-aside at or below the appropriate AMI as Extremely Low-Income (ELI) Set-Aside Units.

All Developments must commit to set-aside at least 50 percent of the ELI Set-Aside units (i.e., at least 5 percent of the total units) as Link Units for Persons with Special Needs.

Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart	
Percentage of Residential Units	AMI Level
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 25%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 28%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 30%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 33%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 35%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 40%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 45%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 50%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 60%
<u>Enter Number</u> %	At or Below 80%
100 % Total Set Aside Percentage	Required

c. Unit Mix Chart

Number of Bedrooms/Bathrooms per Unit	Number of Units per Bedroom Type	Number of Units that are ELI Set-Aside Units
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>
<u>Choose an item.</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>	<u>Enter Number</u>

(1) How many Zero Bedroom Units are described in the unit mix chart?

Enter Number

(2) How many one-bedroom units are described in the unit mix chart?

Enter Number

(3) How many two-bedroom units are described in the unit mix chart?

Enter Number

(4) How many three-bedroom units are described in the unit mix chart?

Enter Number

(5) How many four-bedroom units are described in the unit mix chart?

Enter Number

d. Number of Buildings

Number of anticipated residential buildings: Enter Number

7. Readiness to Proceed

a. Site Control

The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Site Control Certification form (Form Rev. 08-18) must be provided as **Attachment 7** to demonstrate site control as of Application Deadline..

b. Ability to Proceed documents

(1) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate zoning as **Attachment 8**.

(2) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of electricity as **Attachment 9**.

(3) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of water as **Attachment 10**.

(4) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of sewer as **Attachment 11**.

(5) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of roads as **Attachment 12**.

8. Construction Features

a. Federal requirements and State Building Code requirements for all Developments are outlined in Section Four.

b. General feature requirements for all Developments are outlined in Section Four.

c. Accessibility feature requirements for all Developments are outlined in Section Four.

d. Green Building Features:

- (1) Green Building feature requirements for all Developments are outlined in Section Four.
- (2) Applicants must commit to achieve one of the following Green Building Certification programs described in Section Four.

9. Resident Programs

For proposed Developments that consist of up to 25 units, it is a Mandatory requirement that at least one of the resident programs is selected, but this may be off-site if accommodations are made so that residents can attend. For all proposed Developments that consist of more than 25 units, it is a Mandatory requirement that at least two of the resident programs are selected and offered on-site.

- After School Program for Children
- Adult Literacy
- Employment Assistance Program
- Family Support Coordinator
- Financial Management Program

10. Funding

a. Corporation Funding

(1) CDBG-DR Request Amount: \$ [Click here to enter text.](#)

(2) Other Corporation Funding

(a) If a PLP loan has been awarded for this Development, provide the following information:

Corporation File #	Amount of Funding
<u>Click here to enter text</u>	\$ <u>Click here to enter text</u>

(b) If any other Corporation funds will be incorporated as a source of financing for the proposed Development, provide the information in the chart below:

Corporation Program	Corporation File No.	Amount of Funding
SAIL	<u>Enter file No.</u>	\$ <u>Enter file No.</u>
HOME-Rental	<u>Enter file No.</u>	\$ <u>Enter file No.</u>
MMRB	<u>Enter file No.</u>	\$ <u>Enter file No.</u>
EHCL	<u>Enter file No.</u>	\$ <u>Enter file No.</u>

b. Non-Corporation Funding

Attach all funding proposals executed by the lender(s) or by any other source as **Attachment 13.**

c. Development Cost Pro Forma

To meet the submission requirements, upload the Development Cost Pro Forma with the Application and CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19) ("Principals Disclosure Form"), as outlined in Section Three of the RFA.

d. Public Housing Authority as a Principal of the Applicant Entity

Is a Principal of the Applicant Entity a Public Housing Authority or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority?

Choose an item.

If the Principal of the Applicant Entity is an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority, state the name of the Public Housing Authority:

Click here to enter text.

11. Uniform Relocation Act

a. Are there any units occupied?

Choose an item.

If "Yes" – Go to question b. below.

If "No" – Go to question c. below.

b. Tenant Relocation Information for Existing Properties:

(1) How many total units now exist in the development? Click here to enter text.

(2) How many units are occupied? Click here to enter text.

(3) Based on the income information of each tenant, is permanent relocation (displacement) anticipated during or after the construction/redevelopment period?

Choose an item.

If "Yes", how many units are affected? Click here to enter text.

(4) Will temporary relocation of any tenants be required?

Choose an item.

If "Yes", how many tenants will require temporary relocation? [Click here to enter text.](#)

- (5) Provide the required list of all occupied units and tenant income certifications as **Attachment 14**.
- (6) Provide the required description of how the Development will meet the set-aside requirements as **Attachment 15**.
- (7) Provide the required description of how the cost of relocation will be covered as **Attachment 16**.

c. Uniform Relocation Act (URA) Acquisition Information (For All Development Categories):

- (1) Does the Applicant own the Development site?

[Choose an item.](#)

If "Yes" - Provide a narrative regarding the acquisition as **Attachment 17** and skip questions (2) through (4) below.

If "No" - Answer question (2) below.

- (2) Is Applicant a private company?

[Choose an item.](#)

If "Yes" - Provide a copy of the notice provided to the current owner/seller as **Attachment 18** and skip questions (3) and (4) below.

If "No" - Answer question (3) below.

- (3) Is the Applicant a public (government) Applicant?

[Choose an item.](#)

If "Yes" - Answer question (4) below.

If "No" - Skip question (4) below.

- (4) Does the Applicant have eminent domain power?

[Choose an item.](#)

If "Yes" - Provide a copy of the required notice as **Attachment 19**.

If "No" - Provide the required information as **Attachment 19**.

B. Addenda

The Applicant may use the space below to provide any additional information or explanatory addendum for items in the Application. Please specify the particular item to which the additional information or explanatory addendum applies.

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Exhibit B – Definitions

"Affiliate"	<p>Any person that:</p> <p>(a) Directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Applicant or Developer;</p> <p>(b) Serves as an officer or director of the Applicant or Developer or of any Affiliate of the Applicant or Developer;</p> <p>(c) Directly or indirectly receives or will receive a financial benefit from a Development with the exception of third-party lenders, third-party management agents or companies, third-party service providers, Housing Credit Syndicators, credit enhancers regulated by a state or federal agency, or contractors whose total fees are within the limit described in this RFA, or</p> <p>(d) Is the spouse, parent, child, sibling, or relative by marriage of a person described in paragraph (a), (b) or (c), above.</p>
"Development Cost"	The total of all costs incurred in the completion of a Development excluding Developer Fee, operating deficit reserves, and total land cost as typically shown in the Development Cost line item on the development cost pro forma.
"For Profit Entity"	A entity with an ownership structure that includes an entity with at least one for profit Principal, and therefore does not meet the definition of Non-Profit Entity.
"Local Government"	Local Government as defined in Section 420.503 F.S.
"Non-Profit"	<p>A qualified non-profit entity as defined in Section 42(h)(5)(C), subsection 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the IRC and organized under chapter 617, F.S., if a Florida Corporation, or organized under similar state law if organized in a jurisdiction other than Florida, to provide housing and other services on a not-for-profit basis, which owns at least 51 percent of the ownership interest in the Development held by the general partner or managing member entity, which shall receive at least 25 percent of the Developer Fee, and which entity is acceptable to federal and state agencies and financial institutions as a Sponsor for affordable housing. A for-profit entity wholly owned by one or more qualified non-profit organizations will constitute a Non-Profit entity. The purpose of the Non-Profit must be, in part, to foster low-income housing and such purpose must be reflected in the Articles of Incorporation of the Non-Profit entity. A Non-Profit entity shall own an interest in the Development, either directly or indirectly; shall not be affiliated with or controlled by a for-profit Corporation; and shall materially participate in the development and operation of the Development throughout the total affordability period as stated in the Land Use Restriction Agreement.</p>
"Principal"	(a) For a corporation, each officer, director, executive director, and shareholder of the corporation.

	<p>(b) For a limited partnership, each general partner and each limited partner of the limited partnership.</p> <p>(c) For a limited liability company, each manager and each member of the limited liability company.</p> <p>(d) For a trust, each trustee of the trust and all beneficiaries of majority age (i.e.; 18 years of age) as of Application deadline.</p> <p>(e) For a Public Housing Authority, each officer, director, commissioner, and executive director of the Authority.</p> <p>(f) For a Local Government or Land Authority, a designated individual with authority to bind the Local Government or Land Authority and execute documents on behalf of the Local Government or Land Authority.</p>
<p>“Rural” or “Rural Area”</p>	<p>An area of land in Florida recognized, as of Application Deadline, by the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (USDA RD) as an eligible rural area, within which properties are eligible to participate in USDA RD administered single family or multifamily housing programs, as applicable, based on the written determination of USDA RD or which maps as an eligible rural area on the maps and mapping systems established and maintained for that purpose by USDA RD and available at the following link: http://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do (also accessible by clicking here). The Florida offices of the USDA can be contacted using information found at the website: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/FL-Contacts.html (also accessible by clicking here).</p>
<p>“Regulated Mortgage Lender”</p>	<p>(a) A state or federally chartered entity authorized to transact business in this state that regularly engages in the business of making mortgage loans secured by real property in this state, whose mortgage lending activities subject it to the jurisdiction of the State of Florida Office of Financial Regulation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the National Credit Union Administration, or the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; (b) A Fannie Mae-approved lender whose name appears on the Fannie Mae list of Delegated Underwriting and Servicing (DUS®) Lenders*; (c) A HUD-approved lender whose name appears on the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) list of Multifamily Accelerated Processing (MAP) Approved Lenders*; (d) A RD-approved lender whose name appears on the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (RD), list of Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing approved lenders*; or (e) A Freddie Mac-approved multifamily lender whose name appears on Freddie Mac’s lists of Program Plus (Florida region) lenders, Targeted Affordable Housing lenders or Seniors Housing lenders*; or (f) a mortgage lender that is a certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) in the State of Florida that has been awarded funding from the CDFI Fund in a cumulative amount of at least \$5,000,000, exclusive of New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) awards, whose name and CDFI awards can be confirmed on the CDFI Fund’s web site (Qualified CDFI, and the affiliate(s) of such Qualified</p>

	<p>CDFI. As used herein, the affiliate(s) of a Qualified CDFI means the parent, subsidiary or successor of the Qualified CDFI, or an entity that shares common ownership or management with the Qualified CDFI. If the lender is an affiliate of the Qualified CDFI, the funding letter(s) being considered by the Corporation must include the name of the Qualified CDFI and a statement that the lender is an affiliate of the Qualified CDFI.</p> <p>*These documents are available on the RFA Website.</p>
<p>“Workforce Housing”</p>	<p>All of the units must be general occupancy, set aside at 80 percent AMI or less.</p>

Exhibit C – Additional Information

1. Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation

- a. The Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation was reviewed during the scoring process as outlined in Section Five, A. During credit underwriting and final cost certification, the Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation will be reviewed again using the values in the chart below.

Total Development Cost Per Unit Base Limitations

Measure	New Construction Units	
	Wood*	ESS*
Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation ** for all counties except Broward and Miami-Dade	\$206,000	\$248,000
Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation ** for Broward and Miami-Dade counties	\$217,000	\$260,000
Applicable TDC Multipliers (to be applied against the Development’s TDC) and TDC Add-Ons (to be added to the Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation)		
TDC Add-On for the additional costs related to the Federal Program	\$5,000 of additional per unit costs will be added to the above Maximum TDC Per Unit Limitation	

* ESS means Enhanced Structural Systems Construction.

** Exclusive of land costs and exclusive of any approved operating deficit reserves that are part of the permanent phase (i.e., non-construction) financing for the Development which have not been included within the Developer fee. When the term of operating deficit reserves (ODR) is mentioned in this TDC Per Unit Limitation section, the term shall refer to these particular operating deficit reserves. Examples of reserves which can be considered part of the operating deficit reserve for this calculation are provided in the Operating Deficit Reserve portion of the Funding section in the RFA. For purposes of property acquisition valuation (land with or without building improvements), the Corporation uses the lesser of the appraised value, or the actual cost of acquisition. The appraised value will be determined during credit underwriting. When land costs are referenced in this TDC Per Unit Limitation section, the reference shall be limited to the amount of the land cost approved by the Corporation to be provided in the final cost certification under the land owned cost line item. For Applicants that have a public housing authority/instrumentality of a public housing authority listed as a Principal on the Applicant’s Principal Disclosure Form may also exclude demolition costs and tenant relocation costs from TDC PU Limitation calculations. The total amount of costs that are to be excluded from the TDC Per Unit Limitation process are the applicable land costs, operating deficit reserves and certain PHA costs described herein are referred to in Exhibit C in the congregate as applicable qualifying costs.

- b. Any Applicant that has the Credit Underwriter present a credit underwriting report with an amount that exceeds these limitations by more than 5 percent, after taking into consideration an escalation factor for development costs rising after the Application Deadline of 3.0 percent for any Development with the Development Category of new construction and incorporating any applicable TDC reduction and adjustments processes provided below will receive a negative recommendation by the Credit Underwriter.

Any Applicant that has the Credit Underwriter present a credit underwriting report with an amount that exceeds these limitations will require staff to review the credit underwriting report for compliance to the TDC reduction and adjustment procedure provided below:

- (1) A TDC Per Unit Limitation is the maximum allowable and is determined by adding the applicable TDC Per Unit Base Limitation from the table above with respect to the Development as provided in this RFA to any applicable TDC add-on and multiplying that sum by the appropriate escalation rate, and then dividing by any applicable TDC multiplier and finally taking the resulting amount and multiplying it by the number of total units in the Development. If there are multiple unit types, this process is done for each unique unit type and then they are all added together.

The Developer Fee will be limited to the maximum allowable within the TDC Per Unit Limitation, in all instances. A Developer Fee can be earned on Development Cost as defined in Exhibit B, up to the maximum allowed within the TDC Per Unit Limitation, but it cannot be earned on costs in excess of said limitation. If the Development costs exceed the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then the maximum allowable Developer Fee will be adjusted as outlined below. The maximum allowable Developer Fee limit can be determined by taking the TDC Per Unit Limitation amount and dividing by 1.16* and then multiply the result by 16 percent*. This will yield the maximum allowable Developer Fee within the TDC Per Unit Limitation.

Prior to determining any necessary adjustment, if the Developer Fee initially stated by the Applicant or Credit Underwriter is in excess of the maximum allowable Developer Fee as provided in 1.b.(1) above, the stated Developer Fee will be reduced to said maximum allowable Developer Fee, and the TDC will be equally reduced to incorporate the cost reduction.

- (2) Subsequent to reducing the stated Developer Fee to the maximum allowable amount provided above, additional adjustments may be necessary if the TDC Per Unit Limitation remains exceeded. An adjustment to the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit shall be determined by reducing the maximum allowable Developer Fee, as determined in 1.b.(1) above, dollar-for-dollar, for any costs in excess of the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, up to the lesser of (a) the actual amount of costs in excess of the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, (b) \$500,000, or (c) 25 percent of the initial maximum allowable Developer Fee limit. If the stated Developer Fee, inclusive of any necessary adjustments incorporated above, exceeds the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit as adjusted herein, the stated Developer Fee, inclusive of any necessary adjustments incorporated above shall be further adjusted to not exceed the new maximum allowable Developer Fee limit, and the Applicant's TDC will be equally reduced to incorporate the cost reduction. If after following this Developer Fee limitation process, the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs is reduced to be within the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then the Developer Fee adjustment calculation is complete. If the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs remains above the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then there is an additional Developer Fee adjustment process, as outlined in (3) below.

- (3) An additional Developer Fee limitation adjustment will be initiated to further reduce the allowable maximum Developer Fee limit in the event the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs (as adjusted above) exceeds the TDC Per Unit Limitation. The reduction will be determined by deriving a percentage amount that the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs (as adjusted above) exceeds the TDC Per Unit Limitation and multiplying this excess percentage by the amount of the adjusted Developer Fee, resulting in a product that is the additional adjustment to the Developer Fee. For instance, if the Applicant's adjusted TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs exceeds the limitation by 4 percent, then the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit is further reduced by 4 percent. If the stated Developer Fee is greater than this limit, it must be reduced to be equal to the new limit. Once this step is complete, there is no further Developer Fee adjustment or corresponding cost savings mandated to be incorporated into the Applicant's TDC for this process.

It is at this point that the Applicant's adjusted TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs are compared to the TDC Per Unit Limitation, and if the TDC Per Unit Limitation is exceeded by more than 5 percent (as presented in the opening paragraph of 1.b above), the credit underwriting report shall be presented with a negative recommendation by the Credit Underwriter.

As a note, if the Developer Fee in the credit underwriting report is already at or below the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit, then there is no additional adjustment mandated to be incorporated into the Developer Fee. This also means there are no corresponding cost savings to reduce the Applicant's TDC since all TDC cost reductions stemming from this process are coming from reducing the Developer Fee. If the Developer Fee in the credit underwriting report needs to be reduced to incorporate any adjustment as provided above, then as the Developer Fee is reduced, so is the Applicant's TDC in order to incorporate the reduced Developer Fee cost.

For example:

A 45-unit Development located in Bay County and a Development Type of Garden-Wood (NC) with 45 units. The credit underwriter initially reports the Applicant's TDC of \$10,320,000, inclusive of the Applicant's stated Developer Fee of \$1,423,000, but exclusive of applicable qualifying costs at time of credit underwriting, and also prior to any adjustment. The Applicant does qualify for a TDC Add-On of \$5,000 for the Federal Boost.

Calculate TDC Limitation for the Development and Maximum Allowable Developer Fee

- 1.(a) TDC Per Unit Base Limitation, inclusive of any applicable TDC Add-On (\$5,000), any applicable TDC Multiplier (100%), and the credit underwriting escalation rate (3.0%): $[(\$206,000.00 \text{ Per Unit} + \$5,000 \text{ TDC Add-On}) \times 45 \text{ Garden-Wood (NC) Units}] \times (1 + 3.0\%) / 100\% \text{ TDC Multiplier} = \$9,779,850$. (To determine the final TDC PU Limitation, divide by total units: $\$9,779,850 / 45 \text{ Total Units} = \$217,330.00 \text{ Per Unit}$.)

- 1.(b) Implied maximum Development Cost per the limitation: $\$9,779,850 \div 1.16 = \$8,430,906$.
- 1.(c) Determine maximum allowable Developer Fee limit within the TDC limitation (prior to any applicable Developer Fee adjustment): $\$8,430,906 \times 16\% = \$1,348,944$.

(Note: The calculations in both 1.(b) and 1.(c) incorporates the requirement to round down the Developer Fee to the next lower whole dollar.)

First Developer Fee/TDC adjustment Calculation Methodology (If necessary)

- 2.(a)(i) Is the Applicant's initial Developer Fee (\$1,423,000) greater than the maximum allowable of \$1,348,944? $\$1,423,000 > \$1,348,944$; Yes.
- 2.(a)(ii) If the response to 2.(a)(i) is "Yes", then determine the excess: $\$1,423,000 - \$1,348,944 = \$74,056$ (initial excess Developer Fee and initial excess TDC of Applicant).
- 2.(b) Reduce the Applicant's initial Developer Fee to the lesser of either the maximum allowable (\$1,348,944) or the Applicant's initial fee (\$1,423,000) and reduce the Applicant's initial TDC by an equal amount: $\$1,423,000 - \$74,056 = \$1,348,944$ (Applicant's initial adjusted fee); $\$10,320,000 - \$74,056 = \$10,245,944$ (Applicant's initial adjusted TDC).
- 2.(c) If the response to 2.(a)(i) is "No" or once the adjustment of 2.(b) has been completed, then determine if the Applicant's (adjusted) TDC remains in excess of the limitation and if so, the amount of the excess: $\$10,245,944$ (initial adjusted TDC) $> \$9,779,850$ (TDC limitation); $\$10,245,944 - \$9,779,850 = \$466,094$ (excess).
- 2.(d) Determine the components used to calculate an adjusted maximum allowable Developer Fee. Any adjustment will be the lesser of either (i) 100% of the excess TDC (\$466,094), (ii) \$500,000, or (iii) 25 percent of the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit ($25\% \times \$1,348,944 = \$337,236$): $\$337,236 < \$466,094 < \$500,000$.
- 2.(e) Apply the least amount of the three components in 2(d) above (\$337,236) to determine the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit, subject to this adjustment: $\$1,348,944 - \$337,236 = \$1,011,708$ (maximum fee limit at this stage).
- 2.(f) Determine if the Applicant's initial adjusted Developer Fee (as provided in 2.(b) above) is greater than the new maximum allowable Developer Fee limit (from 2.(e) above) and, if so, reduce the Applicant's initial adjusted fee appropriately: $\$1,348,944$ (Applicant's initial adjusted fee) $> \$1,011,708$ (maximum fee limit at this stage); Adjust the fee appropriately: Applicant's interim adjusted fee = \$1,011,708.

2.(g) Determine the Applicant's TDC reduction due to the Developer Fee adjustment in 2.(f) above and apply the adjustment accordingly: $\$1,348,944$ (Applicant's initial adjusted fee) - $\$1,011,708$ = $\$337,236$ (Applicant's TDC reduction); $\$10,245,944$ - $\$337,236$ = $\$9,908,708$ (Applicant's interim adjusted TDC). (As a note, this TDC is still greater than the TDC Per Unit Limitation so an additional adjustment to the maximum allowable Developer Fee will need to be calculated.)

Second Developer Fee/TDC adjustment Calculation Methodology (If necessary)

- 3.(a) Determine the percentage the Applicant's (adjusted) TDC without the applicable qualifying costs (as adjusted above in 2.(g)) that exceeds the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation: Amount of excess TDC: $\$9,908,708$ (Applicant's interim adjusted TDC) - $\$9,779,850$ (TDC limitation) = $\$128,858$ (excess TDC); Excess TDC as a percentage of TDC Limitation: $\$128,858 \div \$9,779,850 = 1.32\%$. (Note: This number is only rounded here for illustrative purposes. The actual calculation will not be rounded.)
- 3.(b) Determine the final maximum Developer Fee limit: $1.32\% \times \$1,011,708$ (maximum fee limit from 2.(e) above) = $\$13,330$; $\$1,011,708 - \$13,330 = \$998,378$ (final maximum allowable Developer Fee limit).
- 3.(c) Determine if the Applicant's interim adjusted Developer Fee (from 2.(f) above) is greater than the final maximum allowable Developer Fee limit (from 3.(b) above) and, if so, reduce the Applicant's interim adjusted Developer Fee appropriately: $\$1,011,708$ (Applicant's interim adjusted fee) > $\$998,378$ (final fee limitation); $\$1,011,708 - \$13,330 = \$998,378$ (Applicant's final adjusted Developer Fee).
- 3.(d) Determine the Applicant's final adjusted TDC at time of credit underwriting by taking the Applicant's interim adjusted TDC (as provided in 2.(g) above) and subtracting any adjustment to the Applicant's final adjusted Developer Fee (from 3.(c) above): $\$9,908,708 - \$13,330 = \$9,895,378$ (Applicant's final adjusted TDC).
- 3.(e) Verify the status of the 5% variance test: $(\$9,895,378 - \$9,779,850) / \$9,779,850 = 1.18\%$, which falls within the criteria of being less than or equal to 5% above of the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation.c. Any Applicant that presents a Final Cost Certification Application Package (FCCAP) **that has applicable TDC amounts that exceed the TDC Per Unit Limitation** will require staff to review the FCCAP for compliance to the procedure provided in (1), (2) and (3) below **if the Applicant did not have its Developer Fee adjusted at credit underwriting as provided in 1.b. above**, either voluntarily or by the credit underwriter in order to get the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs to be in compliance with the TDC Per Unit Limitation requirements.
- (1) A TDC Per Unit Limitation is the maximum allowable and is determined by adding the applicable TDC Per Unit Base Limitation from the table above with respect to the Development as provided in this RFA to any applicable TDC add-on and multiplying that sum by the appropriate escalation rate, and then dividing by any applicable TDC multiplier and finally taking the resulting amount

and multiplying it by the number of total units in the Development. If there are multiple unit types, this process is done for each unique unit type and then they are all added together.

The Developer Fee will be limited to the maximum allowable within the TDC Per Unit Limitation, in all instances. A Developer Fee can be earned on Development Cost as defined in Exhibit B, up to the maximum allowed within the TDC Per Unit Limitation, but it cannot be earned on costs in excess of said limitation. If the Development costs exceed the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then the maximum allowable Developer Fee will be adjusted as outlined below. The maximum allowable Developer Fee limit can be determined by taking the TDC Per Unit Limitation amount and dividing by 1.16* and then multiply the result by 16 percent*. This will yield the maximum allowable Developer Fee within the TDC Per Unit Limitation.

Prior to determining any necessary adjustment, if the Developer Fee initially stated by the FCCAP is in excess of the maximum allowable Developer Fee as provided in 1.c.(1) above, the Developer Fee will be reduced to said maximum allowable Developer Fee, and the Applicant's TDC will be equally reduced to incorporate the cost reduction.

- (2) Subsequent to reducing the Developer Fee to the maximum allowable amount, additional adjustments may be necessary if the TDC Per Unit Limitation remains exceeded. An adjustment to the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit shall be determined by reducing the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit as determined in 1.c.(1) above, dollar-for-dollar, for any costs in excess of the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, up to the lesser of (a) the actual amount of costs in excess of the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, (b) \$250,000, or (c) 10 percent of the initial maximum allowable Developer Fee limit. If the stated Developer Fee, inclusive of any necessary adjustments incorporated above, exceeds the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit as adjusted herein, the stated Developer Fee, inclusive of any necessary adjustments incorporated above, shall be further adjusted to not exceed the new maximum allowable Developer Fee limit, and the Applicant's TDC will be equally reduced to incorporate the cost reduction. If, after following this Developer Fee limitation process, the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs is reduced to be within the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then the Developer Fee adjustment calculation is complete. If the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs remains above the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, then there is an additional Developer Fee adjustment process, as outlined in (3) below.
- (3) An additional Developer Fee limitation adjustment will be initiated to further reduce the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit in the event the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs (as adjusted above) exceeds the TDC Per Unit Limitation. The reduction will be determined by deriving a percentage amount that the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs (as adjusted above) exceeds the amount allowed by the TDC Per Unit Limitation, and multiplying this excess percentage by the amount of the adjusted Developer Fee, resulting in a product that is the

additional adjustment to the Developer Fee. For instance, if the Applicant's adjusted TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs exceeds the limitation, by 4 percent, then the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit is further reduced by 4 percent. If the stated Developer Fee is greater than this limit, it must be reduced to be equal the new limit. Once this step is complete, there is no further Developer Fee adjustment or corresponding cost savings to be incorporated into the Applicant's TDC as a result of this process.

If the Applicant *already had* its Developer Fee adjusted at credit underwriting as provided in 1.b. above, either voluntarily or by the credit underwriter in order to get the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs to be in compliance with the TDC Per Unit Limitation requirements, but the Applicant's TDC without the applicable qualifying costs in the FCCAP *is now less than* the Applicant's TDC without the applicable qualifying costs provided in the credit underwriting report, then the Developer Fee will be re-evaluated based on the procedure provided in 1.b. above, just as if it were going through the credit underwriting report process again.

If the Applicant *already had* its Developer Fee adjusted at credit underwriting as provided in 1.b. above, either voluntarily or by the credit underwriter in order to get the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs to be in compliance with the TDC Per Unit Limitation requirements, and the Applicant's TDC the applicable qualifying costs in the FCCAP *exceeds* the Applicant's TDC without the applicable qualifying costs provided in the credit underwriting report, then the Developer Fee will have an additional adjustment to be incorporated as provided in (4) below. For the adjustment process below, the maximum initial Developer Fee (i.e., prior to any adjustments provided in (4) below) cannot exceed the final Developer's fee as stated in the credit underwriting report.

- (4) For an Applicant that already had its Developer Fee adjusted at credit underwriting as provided in 1.b. above and whose TDC without the applicable qualifying costs in the FCCAP exceeds the Applicant's TDC without the applicable qualifying costs provided in the credit underwriting report, the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit will incorporate an additional adjustment. This additional Developer Fee adjustment will be the lesser of (a) the difference between the amount of the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs as reported in the FCCAP that is in excess of the Applicant's TDC exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs provided in the credit underwriting report, (b) \$250,000, or (c) 10 percent of the allowable Developer Fee reported in the credit underwriting report. If the Developer Fee in the FCCAP is already equal to or less than the maximum allowable Developer Fee limit as determined with the incorporation of this additional Developer Fee adjustment, then neither the Developer Fee nor the Applicant's TDC is further reduced.

For example:

Assuming the Development in the example provided in 1.b. above provides an FCCAP with the Applicant's TDC, exclusive of the applicable qualifying costs, which is \$275,000 higher than the Applicant's TDC, exclusive of applicable qualifying costs, provided in the credit underwriting report, but the Developer Fee is the same as provided in the credit

underwriting report of \$998,378. The additional Developer Fee adjustment will be the lesser of (a) \$275,000 (the new excess costs), (b) \$250,000 (the maximum dollar limit of this additional Developer Fee adjustment), or (c) \$99,838 (10% of the allowable Developer Fee reported in the credit underwriting report). Since option (c) is the least amount of the three options, the allowable Developer Fee will be lowered by \$99,838. Since the Applicant's Developer Fee initially reported in the FCCAP is equal to the allowable Developer Fee reported in the credit underwriting report, the Applicant's Developer Fee will be adjusted in the same manner as the allowable Developer Fee. The allowable Developer Fee and the Applicant's Developer Fee will be \$898,540 (the allowable Developer Fee reported in the credit underwriting report of \$998,378, less the adjustment of \$99,838). The Applicant's TDC, exclusive of applicable qualifying costs, in the FCCAP would be adjusted to \$10,070,540 (\$9,895,378 from the credit underwriting report plus \$275,000 of new additional costs less \$99,838 for the reduction in allowable Developer Fee). As a note, if the Developer Fee in the FCCAP is already at or below this allowable Developer Fee, then there is no additional adjustment to be incorporated into the Developer Fee. This also means there are no corresponding costs savings to reduce the Applicant's TDC since all TDC cost reductions stemming from this process are coming from reducing the Developer Fee. If the Developer Fee in the FCCAP needs to be reduced to incorporate any adjustments provided above, then as the Developer Fee is reduced, so is the Applicant's TDC in order to incorporate the reduced Developer Fee cost.

* These figures represent the applicable Developer Fee percentage for the Development of 16% and one plus the applicable Developer Fee percentage for the Development (1+16%).

2. Florida Job Creation Funding Preference

Each Application will be measured to determine whether it qualifies for the Florida Job Creation Funding Preference. To determine eligibility for the preference, the Corporation will calculate the Application's Florida Job Creation score, which will reflect the number of Florida jobs per \$1 million of implied eligible CDBG-DR funding. To qualify for the Florida Job Creation Funding Preference in Section Five of the RFA, all Applications must earn a Florida Job Creation score equal to or greater than 1.53.

Determination of the Florida Job Creation score will be based on the following information:

- The number of total units committed to by the Applicant (as stated by the Applicant at question 6.a. of Exhibit A);
- The Florida job creation rate of 3.974 Florida Jobs per Unit;
- The Eligible CDBG-DR Request Amount.

The score for the Florida Rate of Job Creation per \$1 million of CDBG-DR funding will be measured using the following calculation:

$$\text{Number of units} \times 3.974 \text{ Florida Jobs per Unit} \times 1,000,000 / \text{Eligible CDBG-DR Request Amount} = \text{Florida Jobs per } \$1 \text{ million of CDBG-DR funding.}$$

For example:

Application A consists of 15 units and has an Eligible CDBG-DR Request Amount of \$5,500,000.

$15 \times 3.974 \times 1,000,000 / 5,500,000 = \text{Florida Job Creation score of } 9.91.$

In the above example, the Application will qualify for the Job Creation Funding Preference because it has a Florida Job Creation score that is at least 1.53.

3. Fees

The Corporation and, if applicable, the Credit Underwriter shall collect via check or money order from the Applicant the following fees and charges in conjunction with this RFA. Failure to pay any fee shall cause the funding awarded to be withdrawn.

All fees set forth below, except for Compliance Monitoring Fees and Loan Servicing Fees, are part of Development Cost and can be included in the Development Cost Pro Forma and paid with loan proceeds.

a. Application Fee

All Applicants requesting funding in this RFA shall submit to the Corporation as a part of the Application submission a non-refundable Application fee of \$3,000.

b. Credit Underwriting Fees

The following fees are not the fees that will be charged but are listed below for estimation purposes of completing the Development Cost Pro-Forma in the Application. The actual fees will be determined based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter(s) in effect at the time underwriting begins.

(1) Initial fee: \$14,082

(2) Re-underwriting fee: \$181 per hour, not to exceed \$7,990.

Any Development requiring further analysis by the Credit Underwriter will be subject to a fee based on an hourly rate determined pursuant to contract between the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter. All credit underwriting fees shall be paid by the Applicant prior to the performance of the analysis by the Credit Underwriter. If the Development involves Scattered Sites of units within a single market area, a single credit underwriting fee shall be charged.

(3) Extraordinary Services fee (which includes the Capital Needs Assessment Review, if applicable): \$181 per hour.

(4) Credit Underwriting Extension Fees

Credit underwriting extension fees are outlined in Exhibit F.

c. Compliance Monitoring Fees

The following fees are not the fees that will be charged but are listed below for estimation purposes of completing the Development Cost Pro-Forma in the Application. The actual fees and percentage increases will be determined based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and the Compliance Monitor(s).

(1) Initial Fee

A total annual fee comprised of a base fee of \$168 per month + an additional fee per set-aside unit of \$10.30 per year, subject to a minimum of \$263 per month, and subject to an automatic annual increase of 3 percent of the prior year's fee

(2) Follow-up Reviews/Extraordinary Services fee: \$181 per hour

d. Commitment Fees

Each Applicant to which a firm commitment is granted shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable commitment fee of 1 percent of the CDBG-DR loan amount upon acceptance of the firm commitment.

(1) Non-Profit sponsors who provide a certification indicating that funds will not be available prior to closing shall be permitted to pay the commitment fee at closing.

(2) All Applicants shall remit the commitment fee payable to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

e. Credit Underwriting and Loan Closing Extension Fees

In the event the loan does not close within the timeframes prescribed, extension fees will be assessed as follows:

(1) The firm loan commitment(s) must be issued as follows:

The firm loan commitment must be issued within 12 months of the Applicant's acceptance to enter credit underwriting. Unless an extension is approved by the Corporation in writing, failure to achieve credit underwriting report approval and issuance of a firm loan commitment by the specified deadline shall result in withdrawal of the preliminary commitment. Applicants may request one extension of up to six months to secure a firm loan commitment. All extension requests must be submitted in writing to the program administrator and contain the specific reasons for requesting the extension and shall detail the time frame to achieve a firm loan commitment. In determining whether to grant an extension, the Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances of the

Applicant's request, inclusive of the responsiveness of the Development team and its ability to deliver the Development timely. The Corporation shall charge a non-refundable extension fee of one percent of each loan amount if the request to extend the credit underwriting and firm loan commitment process beyond the initial 12 month deadline is approved. If an approved extension is utilized, for profit Applicants must pay the extension fee not later than seven Calendar Days after the original 12 month deadline. Non-Profit Applicants may request to pay the extension fee at the time of closing. Any such request must be made in writing to the Corporation. If, by the end of the extension period, the Applicant has not received a firm loan commitment, then the preliminary commitment shall be withdrawn.

(2) The loan must close as follows:

The loans and other mortgage loans related to the Development must close within 120 Calendar Days of the date of the firm loan commitment(s). Unless an extension is approved by the Board, failure to close the loan(s) by the specified deadline outlined above shall result in the firm loan commitment(s) being deemed void and the funds shall be de-obligated. Applicants may request one extension of the loan closing deadline outlined above for a term of up to 90 Calendar Days. All extension requests must be submitted in writing to the program administrator and contain the specific reasons for requesting an extension and shall detail the time frame to close the loan. The Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of the Applicant's ability to close within the extension term and any credit underwriting report, prior to determining whether to grant the requested extension. The Corporation shall charge an extension fee of one percent of each Corporation loan amount if the Board approves the request to extend the loan closing deadline beyond the applicable 120 Calendar Day or 180 Calendar Day period outlined above. If an approved extension is utilized, for profit Applicants must pay the extension fee not later than seven Calendar Days after the original loan closing deadline. Non-Profit Applicants may request to pay the extension fee at the time of closing. Any such request must be made in writing to the Corporation. In the event the Corporation loan(s) does not close by the end of the extension period, the firm loan commitment(s) shall be deemed void and the funds shall be de-obligated.

f. Loan Servicing Fees

The following fees are not the fees that will be charged but are listed below for estimation purposes of completing the Development Cost Pro Forma in the Application. The actual fees will be based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and the Servicer(s).

(1) Construction Loan Servicing Fees

The loan has a Construction Loan Servicing Fee to be paid as indicated. The following fees are listed for estimation purposes only; the actual fees will be

determined based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and Servicer(s) in effect at the time of loan closing.

- \$181 per hour for an in-house review of a draw request
- \$181 per hour for on-site inspection fees, up to a maximum of \$1,793 per draw
- \$181 per hour for extraordinary services

(2) Permanent Loan Servicing Fees

The loan has a Permanent Loan Servicing Fee to be paid annually. The following fee is listed for estimation purposes only; the actual fees will be determined based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and Servicer(s) in effect at the time of loan closing.

- Annual fee of 25 bps of the outstanding loan amount, with a minimum monthly fee of \$216 and a maximum monthly fee of \$859, and an hourly fee of \$181 for extraordinary services.

g. Environmental Fees

Estimated cost of \$8,000

h. Additional Loan Fees

Applicants will be responsible for all fees associated with the Corporation's legal counsel based on the current contract for services between the Corporation and the legal counsel.

i. Construction Inspection Fees

The following fees are not the fees that will be charged but are listed below for estimation purposes of completing the Development Cost Pro Forma in the Application. The actual fees will be based on the current contract, including any addendum, for services between the Corporation and the Servicer(s).

On-site construction inspection - \$181 per hour, not to exceed \$1,793 per inspection.

j. Assumption/Renegotiation Fees

For all loans where the Applicant is requesting a sale and/or transfer and assumption of the loan, the borrower or purchaser shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable assumption fee of one-tenth of one percent of the loan amount.

For all loans where the Applicant is requesting a renegotiation of the loan, the borrower shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable renegotiation fee of one-half of one percent of the loan amount.

For all loans where the Applicant is requesting an extension of the loan term, the borrower shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable extension fee of one-tenth of one percent of the loan amount. If the extension is associated with a renegotiation of the loan, then only the renegotiation fee will be charged.

4. Additional Requirements

By submitting its Application, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees that it will conform to the following requirements:

a. Eligible Reserve for Replacement Items

The replacement reserve funds required pursuant to Item 4.m. of Exhibit F are not to be used by the Applicant for normal maintenance and repairs, but shall be used for structural building repairs, major building systems replacements and other items included on the Eligible Reserve for Replacement Items list, effective October 15, 2010.

The list is available on the RFA Website.

b. Financial Reporting Form SR-1

By the date that is 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the loan term, the Applicant shall provide the Corporation's servicer with a certification detailing the information needed to determine the annual payment to be made. The Applicant shall complete and execute the annual reporting form, Financial Reporting Form SR-1, Rev. 05-14, and shall submit the form to the Corporation's servicer in both PDF format and electronic form as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet.

The Financial Reporting Form SR-1 is available on the Corporation's Website <http://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/forms> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).

c. Part IIIA, Sections 401 through 408 and 410, of the Fannie Mae Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide, in effect as of June 10, 2015

The financial statements and information provided for review pursuant to 4.n. of Exhibit F should be in satisfactory form (inclusive of the substitution of the Multifamily Underwriting Certificate referenced in Section 407 with a similar certification meeting the same criteria) and shall be reviewed in accordance with Part IIIA, Sections 401 through 408 and 410, of Fannie Mae's Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide, in effect as of June 10, 2015, which is available on the RFA Website.

When referring to the Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide, any references to "Lender" means the "Corporation-assigned Credit Underwriter" and any references to "Fannie Mae" means "Florida Housing Finance Corporation."

d. Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) Insurance Guide

The Corporation shall require adequate insurance to be maintained on the

Development as determined by the first mortgage lender, the Corporation, or the Corporation's servicer, sufficient to meet the standards established in the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) Insurance Guide (and as amended from time to time). The most recently published FHFC Insurance Guide is available on the Corporation's Website <http://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/forms> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).

5. CDBG-DR Other Federal Requirements

- (1) Federal Labor Requirements - - Construction work over \$2,000 that is financed in whole or in part with CDBG-DR funds must comply with the Federal Labor Standards requirements as identified in 40 U.S.C. 3141, *et seq.*, and 29 CFR part 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7.

Federal Labor Standards require that all persons working on the site be paid an hourly rate not less than the minimum rate specified in the Wage Determination issued by HUD for each particular property. The owner will be required to submit to the Corporation, or its representative servicer, payroll reports and certifications to verify wage payments. Conformance with Labor Standards will be monitored during the construction/redevelopment period in conjunction with the draw inspections by the consulting engineer/architect engaged by the underwriter/servicer.

If the Development contains 8 or more units to be redeveloped or constructed under a single contract, the Corporation will require, prior to the start of construction, certification by the Applicant that it has been advised by the Corporation of its responsibilities and obligations regarding the federal labor and wage requirements and that it agrees to comply with the guidelines.

- (2) HUD Environmental Requirements – Applicant will be required to comply with the HUD environmental requirements as provided in 24 CFR Part 58.
- (3) Debarment and Suspension - Owners and contractors are prohibited from employing, awarding contracts, or funding any contractors or subcontractors that have been debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment or placed on ineligibility status by HUD. In addition, any owners who are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or ineligible will be prohibited from participating in the Program. Therefore, a certification must be executed by the contractor for compliance with debarment and suspension regulations. During the credit underwriting process the Applicant will be required to provide the executed certification form*.
- (4) Lead Based Paint - If the Development was built before 1978, Lead Based Paint Regulations may apply. See 24 CFR Part 35 for exemptions. During the credit

underwriting process, the Applicant must certify that it understands the requirements of the current HUD lead based paint regulations.

If the Applicant is purchasing the property and the Development was built before 1978, provide a copy of the executed Disclosure of Information on Lead Based Paint and Lead Based Paint Hazards form*, signed by both the buyer and the seller.

(5) Section 3

Each Applicant shall encourage its contractors to hire qualified low- and moderate-income residents for any job openings that exist on CDBG-DR-funded projects in the community. The Applicant shall keep records to document the number of low- and moderate-income people who are hired to work on CDBG-DR-funded projects.

(6) Flood

The Applicant shall comply with the mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, 42 USC 4012a, as applicable.

(7) Historic Preservation

The Applicant shall comply with the Historic Preservation requirements set forth in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, codified in title 54 of the United States Code, as applicable. In general, this requires concurrence from the State Historic Preservation Officer for all rehabilitation and demolition of historic properties that are fifty years old or older or that are included on a Federal, state, or local historic property list.

Exhibit D – Timeline

The Applicant acknowledges and certifies that the following information will be provided by the due date outlined below, or as otherwise outlined in the invitation to enter credit underwriting. Failure to provide the required information by the stated deadline may result in the withdrawal of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, unless an extension is approved by the Corporation.

1. Within seven Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, the Applicant shall respond to the invitation and submit the non-refundable credit underwriting fee;
2. Within 14 Calendar Days, submit IRS Form 8821 for all Financial Beneficiaries and, if requested by the Corporation, all natural person Principals disclosed on the CDBG-DR Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 06-19) in order to receive a recommendation for funding.
3. Within 21 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting:
 - a. Provide the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Environmental Safety Phase I Environmental Site Assessment form*, and, if applicable, the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Environmental Safety Phase II Environmental Site Assessment form*. Note: If a Phase II ESA is required, but has not been completed by the stated deadline, contact Corporation staff to request an extension for submission of the Phase II ESA form;
 - b. Provide the identity of the remaining members of the Development Team (i.e., inexperienced co-Developer(s), General Contractor, Architect, Attorney, and Accountant), as outlined below. The team members so identified, and any future replacement thereof, must be acceptable to the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter;
 - (1) Identify any inexperienced co-Developer(s) by providing the name, address, telephone and facsimile numbers, e-mail address, and the relationship of the co-Developer to the Applicant.
 - (2) Identify the General Contractor by providing the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation General Contractor or Qualifying Agent of General Contractor Certification form*. Note: The prior experience chart must also be provided, as outlined in the form.
 - (3) Identify the Architect by providing the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Architect Certification form*.
 - (4) Identify the Attorney by providing the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Attorney Certification for MMRB, SAIL, HOME, And-Or Other Gap Loans form*.
 - (5) Identify the Accountant by providing the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Certification of Accountant form*.

* The certification forms (Forms Rev. 10-17) which are available on the RFA Website.
 Note: The use of any prior version of these forms will not be acceptable to meet this requirement.

- c. Provide confirmation that all construction features committed to and proposed by the Applicant shall be located on the Development site;
 - d. Confirmation that, if the proposed Development meets the definition of Scattered Sites, all Scattered Sites requirements that were not required to be met in the Application will be met, including that all features and amenities committed to and proposed by the Applicant that are not unit-specific shall be located on each of the Scattered Sites, or no more than 1/16 mile from the Scattered Site with the most units, or a combination of both. If the Applicant indicates that the proposed Development does not consist of Scattered Sites, but it is determined during credit underwriting that the proposed Development does meet the definition of Scattered Sites, all of the Scattered Sites requirements must have been met as of Application Deadline and, if all Scattered Sites requirements were not in place as of the Application Deadline, the Applicant's funding award will be rescinded;
 - e. Provide notification of the percentage of ownership of the Principals of the Applicant. Upon the Applicant's acceptance of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, the Corporation will return the Principals of the Application and Developer(s) Disclosure Form that was part of the Applicant's uploaded Application. The Applicant will be required to enter the applicable percentages on the form and return the completed form to the Corporation.
4. The credit underwriting process must be complete within the timeframe outlined in Exhibit F;
 5. By Certificate of Occupancy, the Applicant commits to participate in the statewide housing locator system, as required by the Corporation;
 6. Applicants are required to execute a CDBG-DR written agreement within twelve (12) months of the date of the invitation to enter into credit underwriting. To meet this requirement, all Applicants that are invited to enter credit underwriting will be expected to complete the credit underwriting process and receive Board approval of the credit underwriting report prior to that date;
 7. The Credit Underwriter will provide an itemized list for additional documentation including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. If the Applicant indicated that the proposed Development will be assisted with funding under the RD 538 Program and expects to use such funding as a source of financing, the Section 538 Selection Letter sent to the Applicant by RD must be provided;
 - b. The Construction Consultant engaged by the Corporation's credit underwriter must provide the properly completed and executed Americans with Disabilities Act Certification forms certifying that the design of the proposed Development and the completed Development includes the applicable accessibility, adaptability, Visitability

- and universal design features required by the Corporation and proposed by the Applicant (Forms Rev. 10-14) which are available on the RFA Website;
- c. For Developments with a Housing Assistance Payment Contract and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD: Submission to the Corporation of the waiting list section of the Tenant Selection Plan for review and preliminary approval before sending to HUD. Such waiting list section shall establish selection preferences or a section for special admissions specifically for individuals or families that are referred by a designated Referral Agency serving the county where the Development is located; HUD approval of the Tenant Selection Plan shall be demonstrated to the Corporation prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report;
 - d. The required information and documentation relative to the General Information Notice (required by the Uniform Relocation Act), consistency with the Consolidated Plan, conformance with Federal Labor requirements, as well as Debarment/Suspension and Lead Based Paint regulations, as outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C;
 - e. Confirmation of the proposed Development's eligibility for funding in the event that construction has commenced.
 - f. If the Development triggers Federal Labor Requirements, the Corporation will require, prior to the start of construction, certification by the Applicant that it has been advised by the Corporation of its responsibilities and obligations regarding the federal labor and wage requirements and that it agrees to comply with the guidelines;
 - g. The Applicant will be required to comply with the HUD environmental requirements as provided in 24 CFR Part 58;
 - h. The Applicant will be required to provide a certification that must be executed by the contractor for compliance with debarment and suspension regulations, as outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C; and
 - i. The Applicant must certify that it understands the requirements of the current HUD lead based paint regulations as outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C.
4. The Credit Underwriter will also verify information submitted by the Applicant, including, but not limited to the following:
- a. The Applicant's Non-Profit status, if applicable;
 - b. Each Scattered Site meets the requirements of this RFA, if applicable;
 - c. The proposed Development's ability to meet the Enhanced Structural Systems Construction qualifications, if applicable;
 - d. The appraisals conducted during credit underwriting may cause a reduction in the funding amount;

- e. With the exception of Developments financed with HUD Section 811 or United States Department of Agriculture RD program, Developments must demonstrate HUD approval for an owner-adopted preference or special admissions preference specifically for individuals or families who are referred by a designated Referral Agency serving the county where the Development is located;
- f. The proposed Development's first phase or subsequent phase's status;
- g. Review of the Total Development Cost and its effect on the Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation;

If any of these cannot be verified, all funding awarded under this RFA may be reduced or may be rescinded if the award or the Application's eligibility status was based on such information, and/or the Applicant may be determined to have made a material misrepresentation.

Exhibit E – Additional requirements for the Link Units for Persons with Special Needs

The Link to Permanent Housing Strategy (Link) enhances the ability of extremely low-income (ELI) households with special needs to access and retain affordable rental housing in their communities. The Corporation requires Developers to provide a specified percentage of a Development's ELI Set-Aside units for special needs households receiving community based supportive services who are referred by a designated supportive services agency in the community where the Development is located. All Link units must do the following:

I. Link Set-Aside Requirements

With the exception of Developments financed with HUD Section 811, for the entire Compliance Period as specified in both the regulatory agreement and as stated in the RFA, the Development shall set aside the required percentage of the ELI Set-Aside units as Link Units for Persons with Special Needs. At least one member of each Link unit's household shall be referred by a Special Needs Household Referral Agency (Referral Agency) with which the owner executes a Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) approved by the Corporation.

II. Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The Corporation has established and maintains a list of supportive service agencies or organizations serving each county, each of which is designated as a Referral Agency. The Referral Agency list is available on the Corporation's Website at <http://apps.floridahousing.org/StandAlone/SpecialNeeds/ContentPage.aspx?PAGE=Link%20Initiative%20Page> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)). These agencies are statewide, regional or local organizations that administer community-based supportive services to the populations served by Link.

The MOU is a formal agreement between the owner and a Referral Agency that specifies the intent of the Link Strategy and describes the roles and responsibilities of each party to the MOU. The MOU form to be executed shall be the version most recently provided on the RFA Website.

- A. The owner shall execute an MOU with at least one designated Referral Agency serving the county and intended population where the Development will be located and rent units to households referred by the Referral Agency with which the MOU is executed.
- B. The deadline for receipt of the fully-executed MOU by the Corporation shall be established in the invitation to enter into credit underwriting, but shall be within nine months from the date of the invitation to enter into credit underwriting but no later than the date the first building is placed in service. If the owner is unable to meet the deadline, an extension may be requested from the Corporation, and a non-refundable processing fee of \$5,000 shall be charged to the owner.
- C. Prior to execution of the MOU, but not later than 10 Calendar Days before the deadline by which the fully-executed MOU shall be received by the Corporation, the MOU form stipulated in the applicable RFA shall be completed and reviewed by the owner and Referral Agency, and then submitted by the owner to the Corporation for review and preliminary approval.

- D. The owner that has a Housing Assistance Payment Contract and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD shall establish and obtain approval from HUD for an owner-adopted preference or limited preference specifically for individuals or families who are referred by a designated Referral Agency serving the county where the Development is located. HUD approval shall be demonstrated to the Corporation prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report.
- E. Owners that have a Housing Assistance Payment Contract and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD shall maintain a separate waiting list for referred applicants and prioritize these individuals for any available Link units. During and after lease-up, Referral Agency referrals must be moved in first, regardless of chronological order of the general waiting list, until all Link units are occupied with Referral Agency referrals.
- F. After review and preliminary approval of the MOU by the Corporation, and no later than the deadline established in the invitation to enter into credit underwriting, the owner shall provide one original fully-executed hard copy of the MOU to the Corporation. Once approved by the Corporation, the owner shall arrange for a copy of the approved MOU to be maintained on file at the site of the Development's records for compliance monitoring purposes.
- G. When the owner is noncompliant because no Referral Agency that serves the county where the Development is located is available to execute an MOU, the noncompliance shall be held in a correction period status until the earlier of (i) approval by the Corporation of an MOU executed with a new Referral Agency, or (ii) the passage of 45 Calendar Days following placement of a Referral Agency that serves the Development's county onto the Corporation's Referral Agency list.
- H. When a Referral Agency notifies the owner of its intent to terminate an MOU, the owner shall notify the Corporation of the MOU termination by email, at Link@floridahousing.org, within five Calendar Days of receiving the notification from the Referral Agency. The owner shall then select another Referral Agency for the Development's county and obtain approval from the Corporation for the MOU executed with the new Referral Agency no later than 45 Calendar Days after receipt of notification from the prior Referral Agency of its intent to terminate the MOU.
- I. When an owner intends to terminate an MOU, the owner shall repeat the process outlined in all of the steps above to obtain approval from the Corporation for a new MOU executed with another Referral Agency before termination of the prior MOU may become effective.
- J. The Corporation may require the owner to terminate an MOU with a Referral Agency if that partnership is not effective in meeting the intent of the Link Set-Aside Requirement. The owner shall execute another MOU with a new Referral Agency before terminating the MOU. The owner shall follow the process outlined in all of the steps above to obtain approval from the Corporation.

III. Notification of the Availability of Units for Referral of Intended Link Households

- A. The owner shall meet with the chosen Referral Agency to review the Link roles and responsibilities of each party, the household income limitation and other eligibility criteria for tenancy, household move-in expenses and on-going monthly rental payments. The meeting shall be held no less than 45 Calendar Days before the anticipated commencement of any activities related to the leasing of any unit in the Development. The owner shall maintain documentation of the meeting with the Referral Agency and shall provide a copy for review by the Corporation upon its request.
- B. Leasing Activity (Lease-up and Pre-leasing): During leasing activities, the owner shall make all units available for the intended Link households referred by the Referral Agency, until the Development's Link Set-Aside Requirement has been met. If the Development has not met its Link Set-Aside Requirement by the passing of 30 Calendar Days after the last unit is actually available for occupancy, the owner may lease the units to any eligible household. To the extent that an ELI-unit requirement coincides with a Link Set-Aside Requirement, for a period not to exceed nine months, a failure to meet the ELI-unit requirement shall not cause noncompliance during the lease-up or 30 Calendar Day hold period.
- C. Once the Development's leasing activity is completed, a vacant unit formerly occupied by a Link household shall be held open for intended households referred by the Referral Agency for a period of 30 Calendar Days starting from the date the vacated unit is suitable for occupancy and ready to lease. The owner shall notify the Referral Agency that a unit is available on or before the date that the vacated unit becomes suitable for occupancy and ready to lease, but no more than 30 Calendar Days before the unit is anticipated to be ready to lease. The vacated unit shall retain the Link classification until next occupied, at which time the classification of the new household shall be applied to the unit.
- D. Communication between the owner and the Referral Agency's designated contact person related to activities in this section shall be conducted via email. Activities that must be conducted by email are as follows:
1. Requests to develop MOU with Referral Agency;
 2. Draft reviews of MOUs between the parties;
 3. Final version of executed MOU;
 4. Current contact information for the contact staff designated by the owner and Referral Agency and listed in the MOU;
 5. Notifications of unit availability;
 6. Number of Calendar Days unit will be held open for referrals;
 7. Information about rental policies and eligibility criteria;
 8. Outcome of referrals;

9. Notifications of issues or concerns that may adversely affect the tenancy of the household; and
 10. Requests for termination of MOU.
- E. The owner shall maintain a Link communication tracking log that documents: (i) the unit number of each offered unit; (ii) the date each unit was suitable for occupancy; (iii) the date of the email notice to the Referral Agency that each unit was available for rent to a Link household, including the dates of required follow up; (iv) date of response from Referral Agency, (v) Referral Agency response, (vi) outcome of referral, and (vii) number of days the unit was held open.
 - F. If an owner notifies a Referral Agency that a unit is available and the Referral Agency does not respond, the owner shall contact the Referral Agency at least three times, at intervals of no less than seven Calendar Days, during the 30-day period after the initial notice of unit availability was sent to the Referral Agency. The owner shall document all notification activity on its Link communication tracking log.
 - G. The owner shall notify the Referral Agency regarding the outcome of each referral within one business day after a determination is made regarding the household's eligibility to occupy the available unit.
 - H. If a referral does not result in occupancy by the referred household, the 30-day holding period shall continue to allow the Referral Agency the opportunity to refer another household. The owner shall follow up with the Referral Agency at intervals of no less than seven Calendar Days during the remainder of the 30-day holding period. The owner shall document all notification activity on its Link communication tracking log.

IV. Link Compliance Monitoring Documentation

- A. The owner shall cause the following documentation to be maintained on file for compliance monitoring purposes. Such documents shall be made available for inspection by Corporation personnel or its monitoring agents at any reasonable time. The owner shall provide copies of such documents, either electronic or paper, to the Corporation within three business days of any request by the Corporation for such copies.
 1. A copy of all active MOUs approved by the Corporation;
 2. A copy of all terminated MOUs. Terminated MOUs shall be retained for seven years beyond the period of tenancy for any household referred under the particular MOU;
 3. A copy of any current correction period extensions granted by the Corporation; and
 4. Email communication with the Referral Agency demonstrating timely notification regarding the availability of units for the intended Link household, outcome of each referral, and, when an available unit was not rented to a Link

household, the number of days the available unit was held open for intended Link household.

- B. The monthly Program Report submitted to the Corporation by the Development shall reflect the number of Link households residing in an ELI Set-Aside unit.

Exhibit F – Credit Underwriting Procedures**1. General Requirements**

- a. Applications shall be limited to one submission per subject property. Two or more Applications, submitted in this RFA process, that have the same demographic commitment and one or more of the same Financial Beneficiaries, will be considered submissions for the same Development site if any of the following is true:
- (1) Any part of any of the property sites is contiguous with any part of any of the other property sites, or
 - (2) Any of the property sites are divided by a street or easement, or
 - (3) It is readily apparent from the Applications, proximity, chain of title, or other information available to the Corporation that the properties are part of a common or related scheme of development.

If two or more Applications are considered to be submissions for the same Development site, the Corporation will reject all such Applications, even if the Applicant withdraws enough Applications so that only one Application would otherwise be eligible.

- b. An Applicant shall be ineligible for funding or allocation in any program administered by the Corporation for a period of time as determined in (c) below if:
- (1) The Board determines that the Applicant or any Principal, Financial Beneficiary, or Affiliate of the Applicant has made a material misrepresentation or engaged in fraudulent actions in connection with any Application for a Corporation program. For purposes of this subsection, there is a rebuttable presumption that an Applicant has engaged in fraudulent actions if the Applicant or any Principal, Financial Beneficiary or Affiliate of the Applicant:
 - (a) Has been convicted of fraud, theft or misappropriation of funds,
 - (b) Has been excluded from federal or Florida procurement programs for any reason,
 - (c) Has been convicted of a felony in connection with any Corporation program, or
 - (d) Has offered or given consideration with respect to a local contribution as set forth in subsection (g) below.
 - (2) Before any such determination can be final or effective, the Corporation must serve an administrative complaint that affords reasonable notice to the Applicant of the facts or conduct that warrant the intended action, specifies a proposed duration of ineligibility, and advises the Applicant of the opportunity to request a proceeding pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Upon service of such complaint, all pending transactions under any program

administered by the Corporation involving the Applicant, or any Principal, Financial Beneficiary or Affiliate of the Applicant shall be suspended until a final order is issued or the administrative complaint is dismissed.

- (3) The administrative complaint will include a proposed duration of ineligibility, which may be either a specific period of time or permanent in nature. With regard to establishing the duration, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances, inclusive of each Applicant's compliance history, the type of misrepresentation or fraud committed, and the degree of harm to the Corporation's programs that has been or may be done.
- c. The following items as identified by the Applicant in the Application must be maintained and cannot be changed by the Applicant after the applicable submission, unless provided otherwise below:
- (1) Name of Applicant entity; notwithstanding the foregoing, the name of the Applicant entity may be changed only by written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Board after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. With regard to said approval, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of validity and consistency of Application documentation;
 - (2) Principals of each Developer, including all co-Developers; notwithstanding the foregoing, the Principals of the Developer(s) may be changed only by written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Board after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. With regard to said approval, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of validity and consistency of Application documentation;
 - (3) Applicant applying as a Non-Profit or for-profit organization;
 - (4) Site for the Development; notwithstanding the foregoing, after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting and subject to written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation, the site for the Development may be increased or decreased. In addition, if the increase of the site is such that the proposed Development now meets the definition of a Scattered Site, then the Applicant shall be required to provide such Scattered Sites information and meet all Scattered Sites requirements as required by Corporation staff. With regard to said approval, the Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of validity and consistency of Application documentation;
 - (5) Development Category;
 - (6) Demographic Commitment;

- (7) Total number of units; notwithstanding the foregoing, the total number of units may be increased after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting, subject to written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation. With regard to said approval, the Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances, inclusive of each Applicant's request, in evaluating whether the changes made are prejudicial to the Development or to the market to be served by the Development; and
- (9) Funding Request Amount, exclusive of adjustments by the Corporation as outlined in this RFA.
- d. A Development will be withdrawn from funding and any outstanding commitments for funds will be rescinded if, at any time, the Board determines that the Applicant's Development or Development team is no longer the Development or Development team described in the Application or to the Credit Underwriter, and the changes made are prejudicial to the Development or to the market to be served by the Development.
- e. If an Applicant or Developer or any Principal, Affiliate or Financial Beneficiary of an Applicant or a Developer has any existing Developments participating in any Corporation programs that remain in non-compliance with Section 42 of the IRC, Title 67, F.A.C., any competitive solicitations, or applicable loan documents, and any applicable cure period granted for correcting such non-compliance has ended as of the time of submission of the Application or at the time of issuance of a credit underwriting report, the requested allocation will, upon a determination by the Board that such non-compliance substantially increases the likelihood that such Applicant or Developer will not be able to produce quality affordable housing, be denied and the Applicant or Developer and the Affiliates of the Applicant or Developer will be prohibited from new participation in any of the Corporation's programs until such time as all of their existing Developments participating in any Corporation programs are in compliance.
- f. The name of the Development provided in the Application may not be changed or altered after submission of the Application during the history of the Development with the Corporation unless the change is requested in writing and approved in writing by the Corporation. The Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request and any credit underwriting report, if available, prior to determining whether to grant such request.
- g. If an Applicant or any Affiliate of an Applicant has offered or given consideration, other than the consideration to provide affordable housing, with respect to a local contribution and this is discovered prior to Board approval of the Review Committee's recommendations, the Corporation shall reject the Application and any other Application submitted by the same Applicant and any Affiliate of the Applicant. If discovered after the Board approves the Review Committee's recommendations, any tentative funding or allocation for the Application and any other Application submitted by the same Applicant and any Affiliate of the Applicant will be withdrawn. Such Applicant and any of such Applicant's Affiliates will be ineligible for funding or allocation in any program administered by the Corporation in accordance with 2.b. above.

- h. Total Development Cost includes the following:
- (1) The cost of acquiring real property and any buildings thereon, including payment for options, deposits, or contracts to purchase properties, of which the total cost cannot exceed the appraised value of the real property as determined in the credit underwriting process;
 - (2) The cost of site preparation, demolition, and development;
 - (3) Fees in connection with the planning, execution, and financing of the Development, such as those of architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants, Developer fee, and the Corporation;
 - (4) The cost of studies, surveys, plans, permits, insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs, and other operating and carrying costs;
 - (5) The cost of equipping of the Development;
 - (6) The cost of land improvements, such as landscaping and offsite improvements related to the Development, whether such costs are paid in cash, property, or services;
 - (7) Expenses in connection with initial occupancy of the Development;
 - (8) Allowances for contingency reserves and reserves for any anticipated operating reserves as recommended by the Credit Underwriter and, if applicable, any rent-restabilization reserves required by a Regulated Mortgage Lender or government entity related to the potential loss of funding from the Development's contracted federal rental assistance program. Any funded rent-restabilization reserve not utilized for said purpose must be retained for the sole benefit of the Development; and
 - (9) The cost of such other items, including relocation costs, indemnity and surety bonds, and premiums on insurance for the Development.
- i. In determining the income standards of Eligible Persons for the applicable programs, the Corporation shall take into account the following factors:
- (1) Requirements mandated by federal law;
 - (2) Variations in circumstances in the different areas of the state;
 - (3) Whether the determination is for rental housing; and
 - (4) The need for family size adjustments to accomplish the purposes set forth in this RFA.
- j. Financial Beneficiary and Affiliate, as defined in this RFA, do not include third party lenders, third party management agents or companies, third party service providers,

Housing Credit Syndicators, credit enhancers regulated by a state or federal agency, or contractors whose total fees are within the limit described in this RFA.

- k. For computing any period of time allowed by this RFA, the day of the event from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included unless it is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, in which event the period shall run until the end of the next day which is neither a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

3. CDBG-DR General Program Procedures and Restrictions:

Selection for CDBG-DR Program participation is contingent upon fund availability at the conclusion of the appeals process as set forth in Rule 67-60.009, F.A.C.

4. Credit Underwriting Procedures for CDBG-DR Loan:

Credit underwriting is a de novo review of all information supplied, received or discovered during or after the RFA scoring and funding preference process, prior to the closing on funding. The success of an Applicant in being selected for funding is not an indication that the Applicant will receive a positive recommendation from the Credit Underwriter or that the Development team's experience, past performance or financial capacity is satisfactory. The credit underwriting review shall include a comprehensive analysis of the Applicant, the real estate, the economics of the Development, the ability of the Applicant and the Development team to proceed, the evidence of need for affordable housing in order to determine that the Development meets the 2018 State of Florida Action Plan for Disaster Recovery Workforce Housing program requirements and determine a recommended CDBG-DR forgivable loan amount, if any. Corporation funding will be based on appraisals of comparable developments, cost benefit analysis, and other documents evidencing justification of costs. As part of the credit underwriting review, the Credit Underwriter will consider the applicable provisions of the RFA.

- a. At the completion of all litigation and approval by the Board of all recommended orders with regard to this RFA process, the Corporation shall offer all Applicants within the funding range an invitation to enter credit underwriting. The Corporation shall select the Credit Underwriter for each Development.
- b. The invitation to enter credit underwriting constitutes a preliminary commitment.
- c. A response to the invitation to enter credit underwriting must be received by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter not later than seven Calendar Days after the date of the invitation. For any invitation to enter credit underwriting that is offered to an Applicant after Board approval of the list of eligible Applications that is sorted from highest funding preference to lowest, where the Applicant's response is to decline to enter credit underwriting, the result shall be the removal of the Application from the list of eligible Applications for this RFA and any other funding where that list of eligible Applications will be used.
- d. If the invitation to enter credit underwriting is accepted:

- (1) All Applicants shall submit the credit underwriting fee to the Credit Underwriter within seven Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting. In addition, within 14 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation, Applicants shall submit IRS Tax Information Authorization Form 8821 for all Financial Beneficiaries to the Corporation.
 - (2) Failure to submit the required credit underwriting fee by the specified deadline shall result in withdrawal of the invitation.
 - (3) The loan must close within the timeframe set out in 4.y. below.
- e. The Credit Underwriter shall review all information in the Application and subsequently provided during the credit underwriting process, including information relative to the Applicant, Developer and General Contractor, as well as other members of the Development team. The Credit Underwriter shall also request and review such other information as it deems appropriate to determine whether or not to provide a positive recommendation in connection with a proposed Development.
- f. In determining whether or not to provide a positive recommendation in connection with a proposed Development, the Credit Underwriter will consider the prior and recent performance history of the Applicant, Developer, any Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer, and the General Contractor in connection with any other affordable housing development. The performance history shall consider instances involving a foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure, financial arrearage, or other event of material default in connection with any affordable housing development or the documents governing financing or operation of any such development.
- (1) Unless the Credit Underwriter determines that mitigating factors exist, or that underwriting conditions can be imposed, sufficient to mitigate or offset the risk, the existence of the following shall result in a negative recommendation of the proposed Development by the Credit Underwriter:
 - (a) Considering all affordable housing developments in which any party named above has been involved, if:
 - (i) During the period prior to August 1, 2010, 5 percent or more of that party's developments have been the subject of a foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure, or in financial arrearage or other material default and such arrearage or material default remained uncured for a period of 60 days or more, or
 - (ii) During the period beginning on or after August 1, 2010, any of that party's developments have been the subject of a foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure, or in financial arrearage or other material default and such arrearage or material default is uncured at the present or, if cured, remained uncured for a period of 60 days or more.

- (b) Mitigating factors to be considered by the Credit Underwriter, to the extent such information is reasonably available and verifiable, shall include the extent to which the party funded the operations of the development from that party's own funds in an attempt to keep the development afloat, the election by a party to forego financial participation in a development in an attempt to keep the development afloat, the party's satisfactory performance history over the last 10 years in connection with that party's affordable housing developments, and any other extenuating circumstances deemed relevant by the Credit Underwriter in connection with the party's involvement in a development.
- (2) A negative recommendation may also result from the review of:
 - (a) An Applicant, Developer, any Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer, and the General Contractor in connection with any other affordable housing development,
 - (b) Financial capacity of an Applicant, Developer, any Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer and the General Contractor, or
 - (c) Any other relevant matters relating to an Applicant, Developer, any Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer, and the General Contractor if, in the Credit Underwriter's opinion, one or more members of the Development team do not possess the ability to proceed.
- g. The Credit Underwriter shall report any inconsistencies or discrepancies or changes made to the Applicant's Application during credit underwriting.
- h. The Applicant will be responsible for all fees in connection with the documentation submitted to the Credit Underwriter.
- i. If the Credit Underwriter determines that special expertise is required to review information submitted to the Credit Underwriter which is beyond the scope of the Credit Underwriter's expertise, the fee for such services shall be borne by the Applicant.
- j. A full or self-contained appraisal as defined by the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice and a separate market study shall be ordered by the Credit Underwriter, at the Applicant's expense, from an appraiser qualified for the geographic area and development type not later than completion of credit underwriting. The Credit Underwriter shall review the appraisal to properly evaluate the development property's financial feasibility. With the exception of Land Acquisition Program Funding, appraisals which have been ordered and submitted by a Regulated Mortgage Lender and which meet the above requirements and are acceptable to the Credit Underwriter may be used instead of the appraisal referenced above. The market study must be completed by a disinterested party who is approved by the Credit Underwriter. The Credit Underwriter shall consider the market study, the Development's financial impact

on Developments in the area previously funded by the Corporation, and other documentation when making its recommendation of whether to approve or disapprove a CDBG-DR loan. The Credit Underwriter shall also review the appraisal and other market documentation to determine if the market exists to support both the demographic and income restriction set-asides committed to within the Application.

- k. The minimum debt service coverage shall be 1.10x for the CDBG-DR loan, including all superior mortgages. However, if the Applicant defers at least 35 percent of its Developer fee for at least six months following construction completion, the minimum debt service coverage shall be 1.00x for the CDBG-DR loan, including all superior mortgages. The maximum debt service coverage shall be 1.50x for the CDBG-DR loan, including all superior mortgages. In extenuating circumstances, such as when the Development has deep or short term subsidy, the debt service coverage may exceed 1.50x if the Credit Underwriter's favorable recommendation is supported by the projected cash flow analysis. Developments receiving first mortgage funding from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (RD) are not required to meet the debt service coverage standards if RD is providing rental assistance and has acknowledged that rents will be set at an amount sufficient to pay all operating expenses, replacement reserve requirements and debt service on the first and second mortgages.
- l. The Corporation's assigned Credit Underwriter shall require a guaranteed maximum price construction contract, which may include change orders for changes in cost or changes in the scope of work, or both, if all parties agree, and shall order, at the Applicant's sole expense, and review the Development's costs.
- m. In addition to operating expenses, the Credit Underwriter must include an estimate for replacement reserves and operating expense reserves deemed appropriate by the Credit Underwriter when calculating the final net operating income available to service the debt. A minimum amount of \$300 per unit per annum must be used for all Developments.

The initial replacement reserve will have limitations on the ability to be drawn upon. New Construction shall not be allowed to draw during the first five years or until the establishment of a minimum balance equal to the accumulation of five years of replacement reserves per unit.
- n. The Credit Underwriter may request additional information during the underwriting process, such as the following:
 - (1) For credit enhancers, audited financial statements for their most recent fiscal year ended, if published; otherwise the previous year's audited statements will be provided until the current statements are published or credit underwriting is complete. The audited statements may be waived if the credit enhancer is rated at least "A-" by Moody's, Standard and Poor's or Fitch.
 - (2) For the Applicant, general partner(s), and guarantors, audited financial statements or financial statements compiled or reviewed by a licensed Certified

Public Accountant for the most recent fiscal year ended, credit check, banking and trade references, and deposit verifications. If financial statements that are either audited, compiled or reviewed by a licensed Certified Public Accountant are not available, unaudited financial statements prepared within the last 90 days and reviewed by the Credit Underwriter in accordance with Part IIIA, Sections 401 through 408 and 410, of Fannie Mae's Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide, in effect as of June 10, 2015, which is available on the RFA Website, and the two most recent years' tax returns. If any of the applicable entities are newly formed (less than 18 months in existence as of the date that credit underwriting information is requested), a copy of any and all tax returns with related supporting notes and schedules. The financial statements and information provided for review should be in satisfactory form and shall be reviewed in accordance with the terms and conditions required in this RFA. When referring to the Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide, any references to "Lender" means the "Corporation-assigned Credit Underwriter" and any references to "Fannie Mae" means "Florida Housing Finance Corporation."

- (3) For the General Contractor, audited financial statements or financial statements compiled or reviewed by a licensed Certified Public Accountant for the most recent fiscal year ended, credit check, banking and trade references, and deposit verifications. The audited or compiled statements may be waived if a payment and performance bond equal to 100 percent of the total construction cost whose terms do not adversely affect the Corporation's interest, and is issued in the name of the General Contractor by a company rated at least "A-" by AMBest & Co.
- o. The general partner(s) (individual and entity) or manager(s)/managing member(s) (individual and entity), as applicable, of the Applicant shall provide a guarantee for completion of construction. In addition, one or more entities or individuals (other than a general partner or manger/managing member) having an ownership interest, either directly or indirectly, in the Applicant or in the general partner or managing member of the Applicant shall be required to provide guarantees or personal guarantees, as applicable, for completion of construction as recommended by the Credit Underwriter or as otherwise required by the Corporation. The Credit Underwriter shall consider the following when determining the need for construction completion guarantees:
- (1) Liquidity of the guarantor(s).
 - (2) Applicant's, Developer and General Contractor's history in successfully completing Developments of similar nature.
 - (3) The past performance of the Applicant, Developer, General Contractor or any other guarantee provider in developing or constructing Development financed by the Corporation or its predecessor.
 - (4) Percentage of Corporation's funds utilized compared to Total Development Cost.

- p. For all Developments, the Developer fee and General Contractor's fee shall be limited to the following:
 - (1) The Developer fee limit shall be 16 percent of Development Cost, excluding land and operating deficit reserves.
 - (2) The General Contractor's fee shall be limited to a maximum of 14 percent of the actual construction cost.

- q. The General Contractor must meet the following conditions:
 - (1) Employ a Development superintendent and charge the costs of such employment to the general requirements line item of the General Contractor's budget;
 - (2) Charge the costs of the Development construction trailer, if needed, and other overhead to the general requirements line item of the General Contractor's budget;
 - (3) Secure building permits, issued in the name of the General Contractor;
 - (4) Secure a payment and performance bond whose terms do not adversely affect the Corporation's interest (or approved alternate security for General Contractor's performance, such as a letter of credit), issued in the name of the General Contractor, from a company rated at least "A-" by AMBest & Co.;
 - (5) Ensure that none of the General Contractor duties to manage and control the construction of the Development are subcontracted;
 - (6) Ensure that not more than 20 percent of the construction cost is subcontracted to any one entity, with the exception of a subcontractor contracted to deliver the building shell of a building of at least five stories which may not have more than 31 percent of the construction cost in a subcontract, unless otherwise approved by the Board for a specific Development. With regard to said approval, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of construction costs and the General Contractor's fees; and
 - (7) Ensure that no construction cost is subcontracted to any entity that has common ownership or is affiliated with the General Contractor unless otherwise approved by the Board for a specific Development. With regard to said approval, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of construction costs and ownership interests in the Development.

- r. The Credit Underwriter shall require an operating deficit guarantee, to be released upon achievement of a 1.15x debt service coverage for the combined permanent first mortgage and CDBG-DR loan, as determined by the Corporation or its agent, and 90 percent occupancy, and 90 percent of the gross potential rental income, net of utility

allowances, if applicable, for a period equal to 12 consecutive months, all as certified by an independent Certified Public Accountant. The calculation of the debt service coverage ratio shall be made by the Corporation or its agent. Notwithstanding the above, the operating deficit guarantee shall not terminate earlier than three years following the final certificate of occupancy. An operating deficit guarantee, to be released upon achievement of 1.00 debt service coverage for a minimum of six consecutive months for the combined permanent first mortgage and CDBG-DR loan will be required for Developments receiving first mortgage funding from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (RD) if RD is providing rental assistance and has acknowledged that rents will be set at an amount sufficient to pay all operating expenses, replacement reserve requirements and debt service on the CDBG-DR loan and all superior mortgages.

- s. Contingency reserves which total no more than 5 percent of total actual construction costs (hard costs) and total general development costs (soft costs) for Developments may be included within the Total Development Cost for Application and underwriting purposes. Contingency reserves shall not be paid from CDBG-DR funds.
- t. The Credit Underwriter will review and determine if the number of loans and construction commitments of the Applicant and its Principals will impede its ability to proceed with the successful development of each proposed Corporation-funded Development.
- u. Applicants must complete the credit underwriting process within 12 months of the Applicant's acceptance to enter credit underwriting. Unless an extension is approved by the Corporation in writing, failure to complete the credit underwriting process by the specified deadline shall result in withdrawal of the preliminary commitment. Applicants may request one extension of up to six months to secure a firm loan commitment. All extension requests must be submitted in writing to the program administrator and contain the specific reasons for requesting the extension and shall detail the time frame to achieve a firm loan commitment. In determining whether to grant an extension, the Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances of the Applicant's request, inclusive of the responsiveness of the Development team and its ability to deliver the Development timely. The Corporation shall charge a non-refundable extension fee of one percent of the loan amount if the request to extend the credit underwriting and firm loan commitment process beyond the initial 12 month deadline is approved. If, by the end of the extension period, the Applicant has not received a firm loan commitment, then the preliminary commitment shall be withdrawn.
- v. If the Credit Underwriter requires additional clarifying materials in the course of the underwriting process, the Credit Underwriter shall request same from the Applicant and shall specify deadlines for the submission of same. Failure to submit required information by the specified deadline, unless a written extension of time has been approved by the Corporation, shall result in withdrawal of the preliminary commitment or the invitation to enter credit underwriting, or both, as applicable. In determining whether to grant an extension, the Corporation shall consider the facts and circumstances of the Applicant's request, inclusive of the responsiveness of the Development team and its ability to deliver the Department timely. If the Corporation's

decision is to deny the Applicant's request for an extension, then prior to the withdrawal of the preliminary commitment or the invitation to enter credit underwriting, or both, as applicable, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of the Applicant's request, the Corporation's denial, and any credit underwriting report, if available, and make a determination of whether to grant the requested extension.

- w. The Credit Underwriter shall complete its analysis and submit a written draft report and recommendation to the Corporation. Upon receipt, the Corporation shall provide to the Applicant the section of the written draft report consisting of supporting information and schedules. The Applicant shall review and provide written comments to the Corporation and Credit Underwriter within 48 hours of receipt. After the 48 hour period, the Corporation shall provide to the Credit Underwriter comments on the draft report and, as applicable, on the Applicant's comments. Then, the Credit Underwriter shall review and incorporate, if deemed appropriate, the Corporation's and Applicant's comments and release the revised report to the Corporation and the Applicant. Any additional comments from the Applicant shall be received by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter within 72 hours of receipt of the revised report. Then, the Credit Underwriter will provide a final report, which will address comments made by the Applicant, to the Corporation.
 - x. The Credit Underwriter's loan recommendations will be sent to the Board for approval. The Corporation shall issue a firm loan commitment within seven Calendar Days after approval of the Credit Underwriter's recommendation for funding by the Board.
 - y. This loan and other mortgage loans related to the Development must close within 120 Calendar Days of the date of the firm loan commitment. A request for an extension of the firm loan commitment(s) may be considered by the Board for an extension term of up to 90 Calendar Days. All extension requests must be submitted in writing to the program administrator and contain the specific reasons for requesting an extension and shall detail the time frame to close the loan. The Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of the Applicant's ability to close within the extension term, and any credit underwriting report, if available, prior to determining whether to grant the requested extension. The Corporation shall charge an extension fee of one percent of the loan amount if the Board approves the request to extend the commitment beyond the period outlined in this RFA.
 - z. Prior to any loan closing:
 - (1) The Applicant must provide evidence of all necessary consents or required signatures from first mortgagees or subordinate mortgagees to the Corporation and its counsel, and
 - (2) The Credit Underwriter must have received all items necessary to release its letter confirming that all closing contingencies have been met, including the finalized sources and uses of funds and Draw schedule.
5. Terms and Conditions of CDBG-DR Loan:

- a. If Land Acquisition Program Funding is awarded to an entity separate from the successful Applicant Entity in a proposed Development, the Local Government, PHA, Land/Trust Authority will enter into a separate CDBG-DR loan with the terms and conditions outlined below. The closing of the loans will be contemporaneous.
- b. The proceeds of the CDBG-DR loan shall be used for Developments which provide affordable, safe and sanitary multifamily rental housing units.
- c. The CDBG-DR loan may be in a first, second, or other subordinated lien position. For purposes of this RFA, mortgages securing a letter of credit as credit enhancement for the bonds financing the first mortgage shall be considered a contingent liability and part of the first mortgage lien, provided that the Applicant's counsel furnishes an opinion regarding the contingent nature of such mortgage satisfactory to the Corporation and its counsel.
- d. The CDBG-DR loan shall be non-amortizing and shall have an interest rate of zero percent per annum. The loan will not require payment for as long as the proposed Development remains in Compliance. The loan will be forgiven after 20 years.
- e. The amount of any superior mortgages combined with the CDBG-DR mortgage shall be less than the appraised value of the Development. Any debt service reserve requirement associated with a superior mortgage shall be excluded from the amount of the superior mortgage for purposes of this calculation.

By the date that is 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the CDBG-DR loan term, the Applicant shall provide the Corporation's servicer with audited financial statements and the fully completed and executed annual reporting form, Financial Reporting Form SR-1. However, this certification requirement will be waived until 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end following the fiscal year within which the first unit is occupied. The SR-1 form, Rev. 05-14, which is available on the Corporation's Website <http://www.floridahousing.org/PropertyOwnersAndManagers/Forms> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)), shall be submitted to the Corporation's servicer in both PDF format and in electronic form as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. The audited financial statements are to be prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America for the 12 month fiscal year period just ended and shall include:

- (1) Comparative Balance Sheet with prior year and current year balances;
- (2) Statement of revenue and expenses;
- (3) Statement of changes in fund balances or equity;
- (4) Statement of cash flows; and
- (5) Notes to financial statements.

The financial statements referenced above should also be accompanied by a certification of the Applicant as to the accuracy of such financial statements. A late fee of \$500 will be assessed by the Corporation for failure to submit the required audited financial statements and certification by 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the CDBG-DR loan term. Failure to submit the required audited financial statements and certification by 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the CDBG-DR loan term shall constitute an event of default on the CDBG-DR loan. The Applicant shall furnish to the Corporation or its servicer, unaudited statements, certified by the Applicant's principal financial or accounting officer, covering such financial matters as the Corporation or its servicer may reasonably request, including without limitation, monthly statements with respect to the Development.

- f. After acceleration, the Note shall bear interest at the default interest rate from the due date until paid.
- g. The final billing for the purpose of payoff of the CDBG-DR loan shall also include a billing for compliance fees to cover monitoring of CDBG-DR Program requirements beyond the maturity date of the Note. Such fees shall be computed by determining the present value of the annual compliance monitoring fee for the number of years for which the Development will have a set-aside for persons or households beyond the repayment date. The present value discount rate shall be 2 percent per annum. Such amount shall be reduced by the amount of any compliance monitoring fees for other programs collected by the Corporation for the Development for that period, provided:
 - (1) The compliance monitoring fee covers some or all of the period following the anticipated CDBG-DR loan repayment date; and
 - (2) The Development has substantially equivalent set-asides for persons or households mandated through another Corporation program for which the compliance monitoring fee was collected.
- h. The CDBG-DR loans shall be serviced either directly by the Corporation or by the servicer on behalf of the Corporation.
- i. The Corporation shall monitor compliance of all terms and conditions of the CDBG-DR loan and shall require that certain terms and conditions be embodied in the Land Use Restriction Agreement and recorded in the public records of the county wherein the Development is located. Violation of any material term or condition of the documents evidencing or securing the CDBG-DR loan shall constitute a default during the term of the CDBG-DR loan. The Corporation shall take appropriate legal action to effect compliance if a violation of any material term or condition relative to the set-asides of units for persons or households is discovered during the course of compliance monitoring or by any other means.
- j. The Corporation shall require adequate insurance to be maintained on the Development as determined by the first mortgage lender, the Corporation, or the Corporation's servicer, sufficient to meet the standards established in the Florida Housing Finance

Corporation (FHFC) Insurance Guide (and as amended from time to time). The most recently published FHFC Insurance Guide is available on the Corporation's Website <http://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/forms> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).

- k. The CDBG-DR loan term shall be for a period of not more than 20 years. The term of the loan may exceed 20 years if the lien of the Corporation's encumbrance is subordinate to the lien of another mortgagee, in which case the term may be made coterminous with the longest term of the superior loan.
- l. After accepting a preliminary commitment, the Applicant shall not refinance, increase the principal amount, or alter any terms or conditions of any mortgage superior or inferior to the CDBG-DR mortgage without prior approval of the Corporation's Board of Directors. However, an Applicant may reduce the interest rate on any superior or inferior mortgage loan without the Board's permission, provided that no other terms of the loan are changed. The Corporation must be notified in writing of any such change.

Following construction completion, the Board shall deny requests to increase the amount of any superior mortgage, unless the criteria outlined below are met, the original combined loan to value ratio for the superior mortgage and the CDBG-DR mortgage is maintained or improved, and a proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage is used to reduce the outstanding CDBG-DR loan balance. To calculate the proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage which must be paid toward the reduction of the CDBG-DR loan balance, the following calculation shall be used: divide the amount of the original CDBG-DR mortgage by the combined amount of the original CDBG-DR mortgage and the original superior mortgage; then multiply the quotient by the amount of the increase in the superior mortgage from the current balance. For example, if the amount of the original CDBG-DR mortgage is \$2,000,000, the original superior mortgage is \$4,400,000, with a current balance of \$3,000,000, a proposed new superior mortgage of \$5,000,000, then the amount of the increase in the superior mortgage would be \$2,000,000, and the proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage which must be paid toward the reduction of the CDBG-DR loan balance would be \$625,000. This \$625,000 would be applied first to accrued interest and then to principal.

- m. All CDBG-DR loans shall be in conformance with applicable federal and state statutes, including the Fair Housing Act (Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended) including the Affirmative Fair Marketing Plan, Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as implemented by 28 CFR Part 35, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as implemented by 24 CFR Part 8 ("Section 504 and its related regulations"), and The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013. These provisions are available on the RFA Website. To the extent that a CDBG-DR Development is not otherwise subject to Section 504 and its related regulations, the CDBG-DR Development shall nevertheless comply with Section 504 and its related regulations as requirements of the CDBG-DR Program to the same extent as if the CDBG-DR Development were subject to Section 504 and its related regulations in all respects. To that end, for purposes of the CDBG-DR Program, CDBG-DR funding shall be deemed

“Federal financial assistance” within the meaning of that term as used in Section 504 and its related regulations for all CDBG-DR Developments.

- n. Rent controls are determined in a manner consistent with 2019 Florida Housing Rental Programs (MTSP) Income and Rent Limits (Eff. 4-24-19) which can be accessed on the Corporation’s website <https://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/rent-limits> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)). The gross monthly rent shall not exceed 30 percent of the imputed income limitation applicable to such unit as committed to by the Applicant in this RFA.
- o. The documents creating, evidencing or securing each CDBG-DR loan must provide that any violation of the terms and conditions described in this RFA constitutes a default under the CDBG-DR loan documents allowing the Corporation to accelerate its loan and to seek foreclosure as well as any other remedies legally available to it.
- p. A failure to pay any principal or interest due under the terms of this section shall constitute a default on the CDBG-DR loan.
- q. Failure to provide the Corporation and its servicer with the Form SR-1 shall constitute a default on the CDBG-DR loan.
- r. The Compliance Period for a CDBG-DR Development shall be, at a minimum, the HUD affordability period requires units to be set aside for 20 years. Priority I or II Applications must remain affordable into Perpetuity. The Corporation is adding 30 years of an extended affordability period to the HUD affordability period for Priority III Applications, for a total affordability period of 50 years for Priority III Application. The set-aside requirements apply to the total number of residential units in the Development beginning on the later of the first day on which any residential unit in the Development is occupied or the CDBG-DR loan closing date. For a period of 12 months beginning on the CDBG-DR loan closing date (the “transition period”), the failure to satisfy the set-aside requirements shall not cause noncompliance.
- s. Unless and until a guarantor’s obligations for a CDBG-DR loan are terminated as approved in writing by the Corporation or its servicer, each guarantor shall furnish to the Corporation or its servicer financial statements as provided in paragraphs (1) through (3) below as the Corporation or its servicer may reasonably request.
 - (1) The audited financial statements are to be prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America for the 12 month fiscal year period just ended and shall include:
 - (a) Comparative Balance Sheet with prior year and current year balances;
 - (b) Statement of revenue and expenses;
 - (c) Statement of changes in fund balances or equity;

- (d) Statement of cash flows; and
- (e) Notes to financial statements.

The financial statements referenced above should also be accompanied by a certification of the guarantor(s) as to the accuracy of such financial statements; or

- (2) If an audited financial statement has not been prepared, a federal income tax return filed for the most recently completed year; or
- (3) For individual guarantors, if an audited financial statement is not available a financial statement certified as true and complete without qualification by such guarantor and a copy of the most recently filed individual federal income tax return.

6. Sale, Transfer or Refinancing of a CDBG-DR Development:

- a. Any sale, conveyance, assignment, or other transfer of interest or the grant of a security interest in all or any part of the title to the Development other than a superior mortgage shall be subject to the Corporation's prior written approval. The Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request and any credit underwriting report, if available, prior to determining whether to grant such request.
- b. The CDBG-DR loan shall be assumable upon sale or transfer of the Development if the following conditions are met:
 - (1) The proposed transferee meets all specific Applicant identity criteria which were required as conditions of the original loan;
 - (2) The proposed transferee agrees to maintain all set-asides and other requirements of the CDBG-DR loan for the period originally specified or longer; and
 - (3) The proposed transferee and release of transferor receives a favorable recommendation from the Credit Underwriter and approval by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

All assumption requests must be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Assets and contain the specific details of the transfer and assumption. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable assumption fee as outlined in the most current competitive solicitation.

- c. If the CDBG-DR loan is not assumed since the buyer does not meet the criteria for assumption of the CDBG-DR loan, the CDBG-DR loan (principal and any outstanding interest) shall be repaid from the proceeds of the sale in the following order of priority:
 - (1) First mortgage debt service, first mortgage fees;
 - (2) CDBG-DR compliance and loan servicing fees;

- (3) An amount equal to the present value of the compliance monitoring fee for the periods for which the Development will have a set-aside for persons or households beyond the repayment date. The present value discount rate shall be 2 percent per annum. Such amount shall be reduced by the amount of any compliance monitoring fees collected by the Corporation for the Development for that period, provided:
 - (a) The compliance monitoring fee covers some or all of the period following the anticipated CDBG-DR repayment date; and
 - (b) The Development has substantially equivalent set-asides for persons or households mandated through another program of the Corporation for which the compliance monitoring fee was collected.
 - (4) Unforgiven principal balance of the CDBG-DR loan;
 - (5) Expenses of the sale;
 - (6) If there will be insufficient funds available from the proposed sale of the Development to satisfy paragraphs c.(1) – (6) above, the CDBG-DR loan shall not be satisfied until the Corporation has received:
 - (a) An appraisal prepared by an appraiser selected by the Corporation or the Credit Underwriter indicating that the purchase price for the Development is reasonable and consistent with existing market conditions;
 - (b) A certification from the Applicant that the purchase price reported is the actual price paid for the Development, as supported by a copy of the final executed purchase and sale agreement, and that no other consideration passed between the parties, as supported by a draft and final closing statement, and that the Development Cash Flow reported to the Corporation during the term of the CDBG-DR loan was true and accurate;
 - (c) A certification from the Applicant that there are no Development funds available to repay the CDBG-DR loan, including any interest due, and the Applicant knows of no source from which funds could or would be forthcoming to pay the CDBG-DR loan; and
 - (d) A certification from the Applicant detailing the information needed to determine the final billing for CDBG-DR loan interest. Such certification shall require submission of financial statements and other documents that may be required by the Corporation and its servicer.
- d. The Corporation may renegotiate and extend the loan in order to extend or retain the availability of housing for the target population. Such renegotiations shall be based upon:

- (1) Performance of the Applicant during the CDBG-DR loan term;
- (2) Availability of similar housing stock for the target population in the area;
- (3) Documentation and certification by the Applicant that funds are not available to repay the Note upon maturity;
- (4) A plan for the repayment of the loan at the new maturity date;
- (5) Assurance that the security interest of the Corporation will not be jeopardized by the new term(s); and
- (6) Industry standard terms which may include amortizing loans requiring regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest.

All loan renegotiation requests, including requests for extension, must be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Assets and contain the specific details of the renegotiation. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable renegotiation fee as outlined in this RFA.

- e. The Corporation will recommend that the Board approve requests for mortgage loan refinancing only if Development Cash Flow is improved, the Development's economic viability is maintained, the security interest of the Corporation is not adversely affected, and the Credit Underwriter provides a positive recommendation.
- f. The Corporation will recommend that the Board deny requests for mortgage loan refinancing which require extension of the CDBG-DR loan term or otherwise adversely affect the security interest of the Corporation, unless the criteria outlined in Item e. above, are met, the Credit Underwriter recommends that the approval of such a request is crucial to the economic survival of the Development, or unless the Board determines that public policy will be better served by the extension as a result of the Applicant agreeing to further extend the Compliance Period or provide additional amenities or resident programs suitable for the resident population. Further, the Board shall limit any approved extension to a minimum term which makes the Development feasible and which does not exceed an industry standard term.

The Corporation will recommend that the Board deny requests to increase the amount of any superior mortgage, unless the criteria outlined in Item e. above are met, the original combined loan to value ratio for the superior mortgage and the CDBG-DR mortgage is maintained or improved, and a proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage is used to reduce the outstanding CDBG-DR loan balance.

7. CDBG-DR Construction Disbursements and Permanent Loan Servicing:
 - a. CDBG-DR loan proceeds shall be disbursed during the construction phase in an amount per Draw which does not exceed the ratio of the CDBG-DR loan to the Total Development Cost, unless approved by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter.

- b. Ten (10) business days prior to each Draw, the Applicant shall supply the Corporation's servicer, as agent for the Corporation, with a written request executed by the Applicant for a Draw. The request shall set forth the amount to be paid and shall be accompanied by documentation specified by the Corporation's servicer including claims for labor and materials to date of the last inspection.
 - c. The Corporation and its servicer shall review the request for a Draw, and the servicer shall provide the Corporation with approval of the request or an alternative recommendation, after the title insurer provides an endorsement to the policy of title insurance updating the policy to the date of the current Draw and increasing the insurance coverage to an amount equal to the sum of all prior Draws and the current Draw.
 - d. The Corporation shall disburse construction Draws through Automated Clearing House (ACH). The Applicant may request disbursement of construction Draws via a wire transfer. The Applicant will be charged a fee of \$10 for each wire transfer requested. This charge will be netted against the Draw amount.
 - e. The Corporation shall elect to withhold any Draw or portion of any Draw, notwithstanding any documentation submitted by the Applicant in connection with the request for a Draw, if
 - (1) The Corporation or the Corporation's servicer determines at any time that the actual cost budget or progress of construction differs from that as shown on the loan documents; or
 - (2) The percentage of progress of construction of the improvements differs from that shown on the request for a Draw.
 - f. The servicer may request submission of revised construction budgets.
 - g. Based on the Applicant's progress of construction, if the Corporation determines that further analysis by the Credit Underwriter is required prior to the release of the final Draw, the Applicant shall pay to the Credit Underwriter a fee based on an hourly rate determined pursuant to the contract between the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter.
 - h. Retainage in the amount of 10 percent per Draw shall be held by the servicer during construction until the Development is 50 percent complete. At 50 percent completion, no additional retainage shall be held from the remaining Draws. Release of funds held by the Corporation's servicer as retainage shall occur pursuant to the CDBG-DR loan agreement.
8. General Program Procedures and Restrictions.
- a. When the income of a resident increases above 80 percent of area median income, the next unit that becomes available in the Development must be rented to a income-eligible resident. If the income of an Extremely Low-Income household increases above the limits for an Extremely Low-Income household, then the Developer must rent the

next available unit to an Extermely Low-Income household. The amount of rent the resident whose income has increased must pay is the lesser of the amount payable by resident under state or local law or 30 percent of the adjusted monthly income for rent and utilities.

- b. Units in a Development must have rents set at no more than the lesser of the Section 8 Fair Market Rent (FMRs) or rents that are 30 percent of the gross income of a Family at 65 percent of median income limit, minus utility allowance. Low rent means 20 percent of the Units in a Development must have rents set at no more than the lesser of the Section 8 Fair Market Rent (FMRs), or 30 percent of the gross income of a Family at 50 percent of the area median income, minus utility allowance. The rent limits for a Rent-Restricted Unit is the maximum gross rent that can be charged for a Rent-Restricted Unit (FMRs, 30 percent of the gross income of a family at 65 percent of median income, or 30 percent of the gross income of a family at 50 percent of the area median income), less the applicable utility allowance. These rent limits are published in HUD periodically, 80 percent of median income limit, minus utility allowance. These rent limits are published by HUD periodically., Assisted Units with Section 8 subsidy must compare the Section 8 gross rent (resident rent, subsidy amount, and utility allowance) to the maximum applicable high or low rent limit minus utilities. However, Developments with project-based rental assistance may utilize the project-based rents as compared to the High and Low rents.rent limits. Compliance with the rent restrictions will take precedence over the Developer's acceptance of a full Section 8 (resident-based) subsidy for the units. However, if a Rent-Restricted Unit receives federal or state project-based rental subsidy and the Family's contribution toward rent does not exceed 30 percent of the Family's adjusted income, then the maximum rent (i.e., tenant contribution plus project-based rental subsidy) is the rent allowable under the federal or state project-based rental subsidy program.
- c. The minimum Compliance Period for newly-constructed rental housing is 20 years from Project Completion. The set-aside requirements apply beginning on the later of the first day on which any residential unit in the Development is occupied or the loan closing date. The Compliance Period will be extended until the later of such longer term agreed to by the Applicant in its Application.
- d. The minimum Compliance Period for newly-constructed rental housing is 20 years from Project Completion. The set-aside requirements apply beginning on the later of the first day on which any residential unit in the Development is occupied or the loan closing date. The Compliance Period will be extended until the later of such longer term agreed to by the Applicant in its Application or the loan is repaid.
- e. The Development will remain affordable, pursuant to commitments documented within the executed Land Use Restriction Agreement without regard to the term of the mortgage or to transfer of ownership.
- f. The Development must comply with all applicable provisions of the competitive solicitation process.
- g. A Development that is under construction may be eligible to apply for CDBG-DR funds

- only if Development is able to provide evidence of compliance with federal labor standards for any work already completed, and the Development is able to provide evidence of compliance with HUD environmental requirements as well as all other federal regulations. The federal requirements may require completion of activities prior to submission of an Application for funding.
- h. Any single contract for the development of affordable housing must contain a provision requiring that not less than the wages prevailing in the locality, as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. 3141, et seq and 29 CFR part 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7 will be paid to all laborers and mechanics employed for the construction of the Development, and such contracts must also be subject to the overtime provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, 40 U.S.C. §§3701 – 3706 and 3708 (2002), the Copeland Act (Anti-Kickback Act), 18 U.S.C. 874, and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended (29 U.S.C. §201 et seq.).
- i. All Developments must conform to the following federal requirements:
- (1) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 – Prohibits discrimination by government agencies that receive Federal funding;
 - (2) Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 – prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin;
 - (3) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 – as amended (the Fair Housing Act of 1988);
 - (4) 24 C.F.R. § 570.490 – Recordkeeping Requirements;
 - (5) 24 C.F.R. § 570.606(b) – Relocation assistance for displaced persons at URA levels;
 - (6) Age Discrimination Act of 1975;
 - (7) Executive Order 12892 – Leadership and Coordination of Fair Housing in Federal Programs: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing;
 - (8) Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 – No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied benefits of, or subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving CDBG-DR funds because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin;
 - (9) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and 24 C.F.R. part 8, which prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities;
 - (10) Executive Order 11063 – Equal Opportunity in Housing;
 - (11) Executive Order 11246 – Equal Employment Opportunity;

- (12) Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended – Employment/Training of Lower Income Residents and Local Business Contracting.
- (13) Environmental Review as enumerated in 24 CFR Part 58 and National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.
- (14) Other than those requirements waived via Federal Register Notice, including in FR 6066-N-01 and 6109-N-01, the Subrecipient shall comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (URA), 42 USC 4601 – 4655, 49 CFR part 24, 24 CFR part 42, and 24 CFR 570.606.
- (15) Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4821-4846), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851-4856), and implementing regulations at part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R of this title.
- (16) Provisions in 24 CFR 570.489(h).as enumerated in 24 CFR §92.356, 2 CFR §200.317 and 2 CFR §200.318), Debarment and Suspension as enumerated in 24 CFR Part 24.(h), Handicapped Accessibility as enumerated in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (implemented in 24 CFR Part 8) and 24 CFR §100.205.
- (17) Americans with Disabilities Act as enumerated in 42 U.S.C. §12131; and 47 U.S.C. §§155, 201, 218 and 225.
- (18) Economic Opportunity for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons as implemented in 24 CFR Part 135.
- (19) Minority/Women Employment as enumerated in 2 CFR §200.321 and Executive Orders 11625, 12432, and 12138.

9. Eligible Applicants

Unless otherwise permitted in a competitive solicitation process, an Applicant is not eligible to apply for funding if any of the following pertain to the proposed Development:

- a. The proposed Development has received an allocation of Housing Credits or a Competitive Housing Credit commitment, unless written notice has been provided to the Corporation prior to the deadline to apply for the applicable funding withdrawing acceptance of such allocation or commitment and returning the previously awarded HC funding;
- b. A preliminary commitment of funding for the proposed Development through the CDBG-DR Program has already been accepted, unless written notice has been provided to the Corporation prior to the deadline to apply for the new funding withdrawing such acceptance and returning the prior CDBG-DR Program funding.
- c. The proposed Development site or any part thereof is subject to any Land Use

Restriction Agreement or Extended Use Agreement, or both, in conjunction with any Corporation affordable housing financing intended to foster the development or maintenance of affordable housing, unless at least one of the following applies:

- (1) A LURA recorded in conjunction with the Predevelopment Loan Program or the Elderly Housing Community Loan Program, or
- (2) A LURA or EUA, or both, for an existing building or buildings, originally constructed at least 25 years prior to the deadline to apply for the applicable SAIL funding, where, in the current Application, the Applicant has selected and qualified for the Homeless demographic commitment with a Development category of Rehabilitation/Moderate Rehabilitation/Substantial Rehabilitation, Acquisition and Rehabilitation/Moderate Rehabilitation/Substantial Rehabilitation, Preservation, or Acquisition and Preservation.

10. Eligible and Ineligible Development Costs.

- a. Funds may be used to pay for the following eligible costs:
 - (1) Development hard costs as they directly relate to the units only for:
 - (a) New construction, the costs necessary to meet all applicable local and state codes, ordinances, and zoning requirements. Projects must meet state or local residential and building codes, as applicable or, in the absence of a state or local building code, the International Residential Code or International Building Code (as applicable to the type of housing) of the International Code Council,
 - (b) Costs to demolish existing structures, improvements to the Development site and utility connections;
 - (2) The cost of acquiring improved or unimproved real property. A Development and loan that involves acquisition must include new construction in order to be an eligible Development.
 - (3) Soft costs as they relate to the units. The costs must be reasonable, as determined by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter, and associated with the financing, development, or both. These costs may include:
 - (a) Architectural, engineering or related professional services required to prepare plans, drawings, specifications or work write-ups,
 - (b) Costs to process and settle the financing for a Development, such as credit reports, fees for evidence of title, recordation, building permits, attorney fees, cost certifications, and estimates,
 - (c) Developer's and General Contractor's fees as described in this RFA;
 - (d) Impact fees,

- (e) Costs of Development audits required by the Corporation,
 - (f) Affirmative marketing and fair housing costs,
 - (g) Temporary relocation costs as required under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (URA), 42 USC 4601 – 4655, 49 CFR part 24, 24 CFR part 42, and 24 CFR 570.606 as applicable .
- b. Funds shall not be used to pay for the following ineligible costs:
- (1) Development reserve accounts for replacements, unanticipated increases in operating costs, or operating subsidies, except as described in 24 CFR §92.206(d)(5);
 - (2) Public housing;
 - (3) Administrative costs, or
 - (4) Any other expenses not allowed under CDBG-DR regulations.
- c. The accumulation of all Development financing, including the CDBG-DR loan and all existing debt within a Development, may not exceed the Total Development Cost, as determined and certified by the Credit Underwriter.
- d. Before disbursing any funds, there must be a written agreement with the Applicant ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Program pursuant to this RFA.
- e. A representative of the Applicant and the managing company of the Development must attend a Corporation-sponsored training session on income certification and compliance procedures.
- f. The General Contractor and all available subcontractors shall attend a Corporation-sponsored preconstruction conference regarding federal labor standards provisions.
- g. The Corporation shall require adequate insurance to be maintained on the Development as determined by the first mortgage lender, the Corporation, or the Corporation's servicer, sufficient to meet the standards established in the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) Insurance Guide (and as amended from time to time). The most recently published FHFC Insurance Guide is available on the Corporation's Website <http://www.floridahousing.org/owners-and-managers/compliance/forms> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).
- h. All loans must provide that any violation of the terms and conditions described in this RFA loan documents allowing the Corporation to accelerate its loan and seek foreclosure as well as any other remedies legally available to it.
- i. If a default on a loan occurs, the Corporation will commence legal action to protect the interest of the Corporation. The Corporation shall acquire real and personal property or any interest in the Development if that acquisition is necessary to protect any loan; sell, transfer, and convey

any such property to a buyer without regard to the provisions of chapters 253 and 270, F.S.; and, if that sale, transfer, or conveyance cannot be consummated within a reasonable time, lease the Development for occupancy by Eligible Persons.

- j. The Corporation or its servicer shall monitor the compliance of each Development with all terms and conditions of the loan and shall require that such terms and conditions be recorded in the public records of the county where the Development is located. Violation of any term or condition shall constitute a default during the term of the loan.
- k. The Applicant shall not refinance, increase the principal amount, or alter any terms or conditions of any mortgage superior or inferior to the mortgage without prior approval of the Corporation's Board of Directors. However, an Applicant may reduce the interest rate on any superior or inferior mortgage loan without the Board's permission, provided that no other terms of the loan are changed. The Corporation must be notified of any such change.

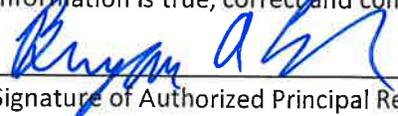
Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement Form

1. The Applicant and all Financial Beneficiaries have read all applicable Corporation rules governing this RFA and have read the instructions for completing this RFA and will abide by the applicable Florida Statutes and the credit underwriting and program provisions outlined in Exhibit F. The Applicant and all Financial Beneficiaries have read, understand and will comply with all related federal regulations.
2. The Applicant has reviewed this RFA and certifies to its eligibility to apply for the funding offered.
3. The Applicant certifies that the proposed Development can be completed and operating within the Development schedule and budget submitted to the Corporation.
4. The Applicant acknowledges and certifies that it will abide by all commitments, requirements, and due dates outlined in the RFA, inclusive of all exhibits. Failure to provide the required information by any stated deadlines may result in the withdrawal of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, unless an extension is approved by the Corporation.
5. By submitting the Application, the Applicant acknowledges and certifies that the proposed Development will meet all state building codes, including the 2012 Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction, adopted pursuant to Section 553.503, F.S., the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968; the Fair Housing Act as implemented by 24 CFR Part 100, including the Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan; Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2013; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as outlined in Section Four, A.8. of the RFA; and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as implemented by 28 CFR Part 35, incorporating the most recent amendments, regulations and rules.
6. The Applicant acknowledges that any funding preliminarily secured by the Applicant is expressly conditioned upon any independent review, analysis and verification of all information contained in this Application that may be conducted by the Corporation, the successful completion of credit underwriting, and all necessary approvals by the Board of Directors, Corporation or other legal counsel, the Credit Underwriter, and Corporation staff.
7. If preliminary funding is approved, the Applicant will promptly furnish such other supporting information, documents, and fees as may be requested or required. The Applicant understands and agrees that the Corporation is not responsible for actions taken by the undersigned in reliance on a preliminary commitment by the Corporation. The Applicant commits that no qualified residents will be refused occupancy because they have Section 8 vouchers or certificates. The Applicant further commits to actively seek tenants from public housing waiting lists and tenants who are participating in and/or have successfully completed the training provided by welfare to work or self-sufficiency type programs.
8. The success of an Applicant in being selected for funding is not an indication that the Applicant will receive a positive recommendation from the Credit Underwriter or that the Development team's experience, past performance or financial capacity is satisfactory. The past performance record, financial capacity, and any and all other matters relating to the Development Team (which consists of Developer, management company, General Contractor, architect, attorney,

and accountant) will be reviewed during credit underwriting. The Credit Underwriter may require additional information from any member of the Development team including, without limitation, documentation on other past projects and financials. Development teams with an unsatisfactory past performance record, inadequate financial capacity or any other unsatisfactory matters relating to their suitability may result in a negative recommendation from the Credit Underwriter.

- 9. The Applicant's commitments will be included in (i) a Land Use Restriction Agreement(s) and (ii) an Extended Use Agreement, if applicable, and must be maintained in order for the Development to remain in compliance, unless the Board approves a change.
- 10. The Applicant understands and agrees that it will ensure that (i) none of the General Contractor duties to manage and control the construction of the Development are subcontracted; (ii) none of the construction or inspection work that is normally performed by subcontractors is performed by the General Contractor; (iii) no construction cost is subcontracted to any entity that has common ownership or is an Affiliate of the General Contractor or the Developer, as further described in Exhibit F.
- 11. The Applicant, the Developer and all Principals are in good standing among all other state agencies and have not been prohibited from applying for funding.
- 12. In eliciting information from third parties required by and/or included in this Application, the Applicant has provided such parties information that accurately describes the Development as proposed in this Application. The Applicant has reviewed the third party information included in this Application and/or provided during the credit underwriting process and the information provided by any such party is based upon, and accurate with respect to, the Development as proposed in this Application.
- 13. Funding under this RFA is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's (DEO) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBGDR) Program. Florida Housing Finance Corporation (The Corporation) is not responsible, and Applicants shall hold the Corporation harmless from liability and claim for damages or expenses, in the event that HUD or DEO retracts, suspends, or interrupts such funding.
- 14. The Applicant understands and agrees to cooperate with any audits conducted in accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 20.055(5), F.S.
- 15. The undersigned is authorized to bind the Applicant entity to this certification and warranty of truthfulness and completeness of the Application.

Under the penalties of perjury, I declare and certify that I have read the foregoing and that the information is true, correct and complete.


Signature of Authorized Principal Representative

BRYAN A. LOBER
Name (typed or printed)

VICE CHAIR
Title (typed or printed)

ATTEST 
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Approved by Board 7/23/19

NOTE: Provide this form as Attachment 1 to the RFA. The Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form must be signed by the Authorized Principal Representative stated in Exhibit A.