

FLORIDA HOUSING COALITION NEWS

New Staff and New Staff Roles at the Coalition



LISA DJAHED

Lisa Djahed has joined the Coalition staff as Communications Director. She will be heading up all of the Florida Housing Coalitions digital platforms, including our 2020 Annual Conference which is being held virtually, and the launch of Elevate, our online learning platform. Providing digital experiences is a specialty of Lisa's, having received her Master's Certificate in Digital Strategy from The Big Thinkers Society in 2017, a West-Coast based agency that delivers inspired digital experiences for companies such as Amazon, Avana, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Lisa is a Martin County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Alumni (Class of 24), and most recently served as Communications Specialist for Save the Chimps, the world's largest privately funded sanctuary for retired and rescued chimpanzees in the world.



ASHON NESBITT

Ashon Nesbitt now serves as the Florida Housing Coalition's Chief Programs Officer. He continues as a Technical Advisor for the Florida Housing Coalition, and oversees all the programmatic work at the Coalition, supporting the entire Technical Assistance Team. He continues to oversee the Coalition's research and the Florida Community Land Trust Institute.



BEN TORO-SPEARS

Ben Toro-Spears now serves as the Florida Housing Coalition's Chief Strategy Officer. He continues as a Technical Advisor for the Florida Housing Coalition, and oversees the Coalition's strategic priorities and internal processes supporting a consistent best-in-class experience for the Coalition's partners. Ben also continues as the Associate Editor of the Florida Housing Coalition's Housing News Network Journal.



AMANDA ROSADO

Amanda Rosado now serves as the Florida Housing Coalition's Ending Homelessness Team Director. She is responsible for bringing the latest in research and evidence-based practices to practitioners across the state. She is one of Florida's foremost experts in housing first and recovery-oriented systems of care.



SUSAN POURCIAU

Susan Pourciau rejoined the staff from her stint in DC as Policy Director at United States Interagency Council on Homelessness and is in charge of assisting local governments with developing plans to end homelessness in their community.



BLAISE DENTON

Blaise Denton now serves as the Florida Housing Coalition's Research Manager in addition to serving as a Technical Advisor for the Florida Housing Coalition. He also became a dad on Mother's Day!