# HOME Funding for Affordable Housing Part 2

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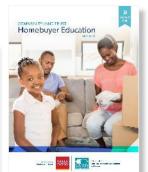
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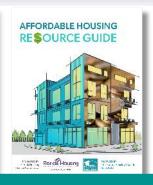




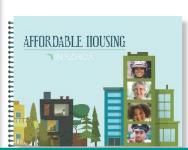


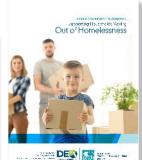








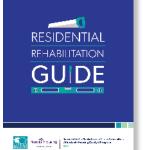




















## Weekly Hurricane Member Update

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## Overview

- HOME Program Requirements for Purchase Assistance
- HOP Program Requirements
- Presenters:
  - Donna Phillips, Florida Housing Finance Corporation Michelle Taylor, Habitat for Humanity of Hillsborough County
- Monitoring and Compliance



## HOME Final Rule 24 CFR Part 92 Published July 24, 2013

- •The Rule: 24 CFR Part 92
- 92.2 definitions
- 92.203 income methods & documentation
- 92.206/.214: eligible/ineligible costs
- 92.504: written agreements
- 92.254: homeownership requirements
- 92.250: project underwriting & max subsidy
- 92.251: property standards
- 92.508: recordkeeping



## **Key Partners**

#### Subrecipient

- Manages program on behalf of PJ
- Can be public agencies or nonprofit

#### **Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)**

- Creates affordable housing
- Provides input from the low-income community

#### Developer

- Creates housing
- Can be for-profit or nonprofit



## Eligible Commitments

PJs may not commit HOME funds to an identifiable project consisting of new construction or rehab until:

- All necessary financing is secured
- A budget and production schedule is established
- Underwriting and subsidy layering is completed
- Market assessment is completed
- Assessment of the experience and financial capacity of the developer is completed
- Construction is expected to start within 12 months



## Project Deadlines

- 4-year project completion deadline
- Projects must be completed 4 years from the date the written agreement is executed

#### Otherwise, must repay HOME investment

- 9-month sales deadline for homebuyer units
- Must have a ratified sales contract with buyer within 9 months of construction completion

Otherwise, must convert to rental unit or repay HOME investment



## Home Assisted Unit



Any unit that receives HOME funds is considered HOME assisted



HOME units are subject to all HOME requirements, including affordability periods, income restrictions, property standards, etc.



HOME funds may also be spent on mixed income projects, where some units are HOME assisted while others are not



## Form of Assistance

#### PJs generally use:

- Grants
  - Repayable if affordability requirements are not satisfied
- Deferred payment loans
- Below-market rate loans

## **Subsidy Limits**

- Minimum = \$1,000 per unit
- Maximum is capped by the HUD published subsidy limit
- If multiple government sources, subsidy layering applies

HUD Exchange link to notice CPD 15-003:

https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2315/home-per-unit-subsidy/



## Local HUD Field Office Subsidy Limits

#### 2022 MAXIMUM SUBSIDY LIMITS HOME Program Effective March 2022

#### Capped at 240% Maximum Subsidy Per Unit for HOME Funds

LOCALITY	7 0 BR 7		2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	
Cocoa (Brevard)	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Daytona Beach	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Ft. Pierce	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Gainesville	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Jacksonville	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Lakeland	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Orlando	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Panama City	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Pensacola	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Sarasota	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Tallahassee	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	
Tampa	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236	

## South Florida

# 2022 MAXIMUM SUBSIDY LIMITS HOME Program Effective March 2022 (South Florida) Capped at 240% Maximum Subsidy Per Unit

LOCALITY	0 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR
Ft. Lauderdale	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236
Ft. Meyers	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236
Marathon	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236
Miami	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236
West Palm Beach	\$159,793	\$183,132	\$222,693	\$288,093	\$316,236

24 CFR 92.250(b) requires each PJ to evaluate each project in accordance with the subsidy layering and underwriting guidelines it has adopted before it commits HOME funds to a project. PJs must analyze each project to ensure that the HOME investment is necessary and reasonable to provide quality affordable housing that is financially viable throughout the period of affordability.

To ensure consistency with the provisions of NAHA and 24 CFR 92.250(a), the HOME maximum perunit subsidy limit that HUD can approve for a PJ cannot exceed 240 percent of the Section 234 basic mortgage limit.

## How Much Subsidy?

The amount of actual HOME subsidy per unit will depend upon:

- HUD published maximum subsidy limit
- Amount of total project cost that is HOME eligible
- Number of HOME assisted units
- The financial needs of the project
- Cost allocation process is used to determine subsidy/# of

#### **HOME** units

- Applies when mix of HOME and non-HOME units
- Covers both homebuyer and rental units



## **HOME Affordability Periods**

HOME \$ Per Assisted Unit	Length of Affordability			
Less than \$15,000	5 years			
\$15,000 to \$40,000	10 years			
More than \$40,000	15 years			



## Households

- Low-income must assist households < 80%</li>
- Property will be principal residence
- Income eligibility determined
  - At purchase for existing housing
  - At contract signature for new construction
- No requirements that:
  - PITI be affordable at purchase OR
  - PITI remain affordable over time

HOME income limits published annually and available here: <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/resourcelibrary/home-income-limits/">https://www.hudexchange.info/resourcelibrary/home-income-limits/</a>



## Determining Income under HOME

What Counts As Income?

#### Two definitions:

- Section 8 (Part 5)
- IRS Adjusted Gross Income
  - PJ must use single definition of income for each HOME program, or for each rental project
  - Use the Income Calculator on the HUD Exchange website:
     <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/incomecalculator/">https://www.hudexchange.info/incomecalculator/</a>



## Eligible Homeownership Activities

#### HOME can be used for:

- Acquisition
- Acquisition/rehabilitation
- New construction
- Lease-purchase if conveyed within:
- 36 months of signing OR 42 months of project completion
- Rental units converted to homebuyer



## Eligible Costs

#### Hard costs:

Acquisition

Site preparation or demolition

Construction

#### Soft costs:

Fees and appraisals

Homebuyer counseling

**Relocation Costs** 



## Eligible Properties

#### Eligible property types:

- Single-family home
- Two-to-four-unit property
- Other units may be subject to HOME rents
- Depends on how funds invested
- Condominium unit
- Coop or mutual housing unit (if recognized as ownership by state)

#### Manufactured home:

- Located on fee simple land, or
- If ground lease, lease at least equal to affordability period



## Purchase Price Value Limits

Activity	HUD Limit	Basis		
New Construction	New Construction	Sales Price		
Acquisition Only	Existing	Sales Price		
Acquisition/Rehabilitation	Existing	After Rehabilitation Valu		
		<ul> <li>Appraisal</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Informed staff estimate</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>Tax assessment if tied</li> </ul>		
		to market		

## **HOME Value Limits**

https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2312/home-maximum-purchase-price-after-rehab-value/

1 to 4 units existing
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1 to 4 units new

FL	Alachua County	\$217,000	\$277,000	\$336,000	\$416,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	Baker County	\$193,000	\$247,000	\$299,000	\$370,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	Bay County	\$223,000	\$286,000	\$346,000	\$429,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	<b>Bradford County</b>	\$193,000	\$247,000	\$299,000	\$370,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	<b>Brevard County</b>	\$225,000	\$288,000	\$349,000	\$432,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	<b>Broward County</b>	\$331,000	\$423,000	\$512,000	\$635,000	\$332,000	\$426,000	\$515,000	\$638,000
FL	Calhoun County	\$193,000	\$247,000	\$299,000	\$370,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	Charlotte County	\$236,000	\$302,000	\$365,000	\$452,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000
FL	Citrus County	\$193,000	\$247,000	\$299,000	\$370,000	\$251,000	\$321,000	\$389,000	\$482,000

## Recapture/Resale

For each homebuyer, **UP FRONT**, the PJ must select the compliance requirement during the period of affordability, either:

- Recapture ("sell to anyone, but pay back the subsidy"); or
- Resale ("sell to low-income buyer, at affordable price") sale;
   must choose one or the other



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# FHFC Homeownership Purchase Program (HOP)

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## Homeownership Purchase Program (HOP)

- Florida Housing created the Homeownership Purchase Program (HOP) to enhance the ability and process of Developers to match qualified homebuyers with purchase assistance while increasing the quality of affordable housing in Florida.
- HOP is a noncompetitive and on-going program, where developers reserve funds for eligible homebuyers to provide purchase assistance on a first-come, first-served basis.



#### How Much Assistance is Available?

- Since 2019 Florida Housing has routinely replenished the different HOP pools so there has always been funds available for HOP Members to reserve funds on behalf of their clients
- Eligible homebuyers, whose adjusted income does not exceed 80% of Area Median Income (AMI), receive a 0% deferred second mortgage loan for up to \$25,000.
- Eligible homebuyers with a disabling condition and eligible homebuyers at 50% AMI or below may receive up to \$35,000 in purchase assistance.



#### Terms of HOP Assistance

- HOP Mortgage is not forgivable. It is a loan and is not assumable.
- As long as the borrower is not in default, the interest on the Mortgage is 0% per annum with the principal payment deferred until a date 50 years ("Maturity Date") following the date of the signing of the Mortgage, at which time payment is due in full.
- The client must obtain a 1st mortgage loan by a regulated financial institution. Taxes and insurance must be escrowed with no prepayment penalties. Interest-only mortgages are not permitted and closing costs must not exceed 5% of the purchase price.
- The first mortgage loan must carry a fixed interest rate which cannot be greater than the current 10 year U.S. Treasury Yield + 3.5%.
- The total back-end ratio must be between 29% and 50%.
- FHFC does not require the lender to be on a Lender Approval list to assist the client for this program.



#### Terms of HOP Assistance

- If any of the following events occur before Maturity Date, the unpaid principal balance of the Mortgage is due in full:
  - The home is sold, transferred or disposed of; voluntarily or involuntarily
  - The original homeowner ceases to occupy the home as a principal residence
  - The original homeowner dies, or if married, the surviving spouse dies
  - The original homeowner refinances the first mortgage loan



## Who are Eligible HOP Members?

#### **Developers**

- Can be non-profit or for-profit companies, including Habitat for Humanity, and the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development (USDA-RD)
- Must meet the required experience level.
  - Key team member(s) must have experience in construction of homes and providing homebuyer assistance for at least 5 houses/households.



#### How Do You Become a HOP Member?

- An application is submitted to Florida Housing, along with the application fee (\$500).
- Florida Housing reviews the application to make sure all required information and experience is included in the application.
- Florida Housing sends approval letter to Member
- Member registers at https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/homebuyer-overview-page/homeownership-pool-(hop)-program



## HOP: Step-By-Step

#### Close the Loan

#### Step 4

5 days before closing, submit the Closing Package to the Servicer

#### Step 3

At least 4 weeks prior to closing the loan, submit the Borrower Analysis Package to the Servicer

#### Step 2

Within 14 days, submit the building permit and Environmental Checklist to FHFC. Servicer will be assigned once received.

#### Step 1

Once construction has begun, submit the Homebuyer Reservation via the HOP Member Website



#### **Construction Features**

#### Basic Features

- Includes: range and oven, washer/dryer hookups, overhead lighting.

#### Accessibility Features

 Includes: at least 1 zero-step entrance, lever handles on faucets and doors, doors need to be 34" or wider.

#### Site Development Features

 Includes: site must be free from excessive noise, industrial or agricultural hazards, must be primarily residential, off street parking and landscaping that meets local requirements and suitable for terrain and neighborhood.



### **Construction Features**

- Appliances
  - Where provided and as applicable, appliances must be Energy Star certified.
- Green Building Certifications\*
  - Units must be certified to one of the following:
    - Energy Star, FGBC, NGBS or LEED.
- Manufactured Housing is Allowed!
  - Meet MHCSS, be on a permanent foundation, be considered real property and connected to permanent utility hookups.



## Questions?

• Information on the HOP Program can be found: https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/ho mebuyer-overview-page/homeownership-pool-(hop)-program





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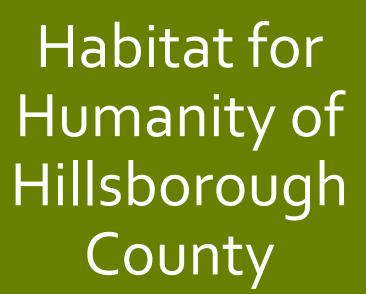


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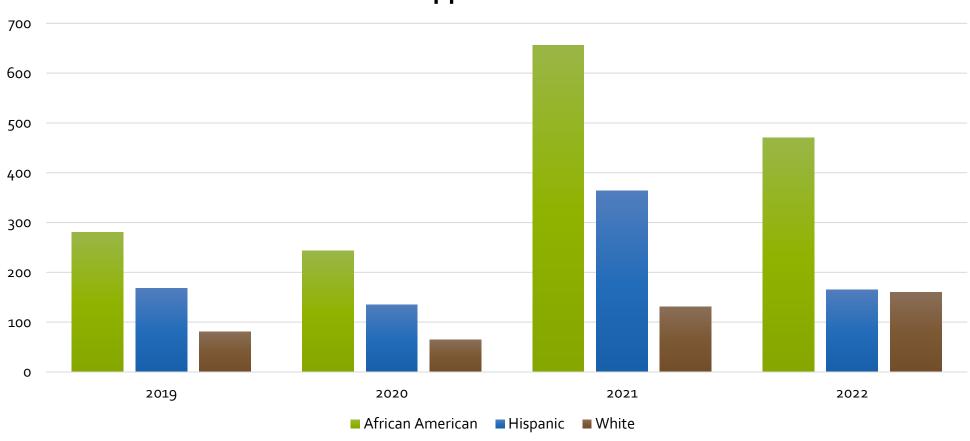


### About Habitat Hillsborough

- Habitat Hillsborough is committed to building 120 new homes in the next 3
  years with 32 of those homes this fiscal year this includes 2 brand new
  subdivisions
- The majority of families served by our program are families of color, single moms, and veterans.
- The average cost to build a 3 bedroom/2 bath home is \$221,400 in Hillsborough County
- HFHH acquires land through traditional open market purchase, donation, RFP's, and partnerships with the City of Tampa, City of Temple Terrace, City of Plant City, and Hillsborough County

### Housing Need by Demographic





### How Habitat Hillsborough makes homes affordable

Maximum sales price of \$251,000 (2022 HUD limit for Hillsborough County)

Down Payment Assistance:

HOP, HillsboroughCounty, City of Tampa, East Tampa CRA

Affordable mortgage
– average is \$180,000
to \$211,000

(\$750 - \$950 PITI)



# Building with Habitat Hillsborough



### Habitat Hillsborough Homes

All homes built by HFHH are cinder block with hurricane clips that make our homes sustainable up to a Category 3 hurricane.

Our 2-story models are built block over block for added hurricane protection. All homes are also provided hurricane shutters.







HFHH builds to match existing communities including historic districts and town home communities. Where appropriate, we offer metal roofing and solar panels. All of our homes are also Energy Star certified.



### **Amenities**

Every home offers an open floor plan, tile flooring through out, spacious laundry room, in-suite master bathroom, one car garage, and Florida friendly landscaping. Appliances such as refrigerator, stove, microwave, and dishwasher are also included.



# Donations





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# Monitoring Function

### Monitoring fosters:

- Production/accountability
- Compliance with requirements
- Responsiveness to community needs
- Effective use of resources
- Good organizational performance

# Affordability & Compliance

HOME \$ Per Assisted Unit	Length of Affordability/Compliance
Less than \$15,000	5 years
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# Other Federal Regulations

- HOME regulation lists other requirements that apply
- Refer to source of other requirements for applicability
- List includes regulations about:
  - Non-Discrimination (92.505(a))
  - Handicapped Accessibility (Part 8, Section 504)
  - OMB Circulars and Part 85 (92.505(a))
  - Environmental (Part 58)
  - Lead Paint (Part 35)
  - Relocation/acquisition (Part 42)
  - Labor standards (92.354)
  - Excluded parties (debarred/suspended) (92.350)



## PJs Self-Assessment Review

### Regulatory Compliance

- Policies & procedures
- File documentation & regulatory limits
- Written Agreements & Legal documents

### **Program Performance**

- IDIS reports
- Production v. Goals

### **Monitoring & Evaluation**

- Results of HUD
   monitoring and PJ's
   monitoring of partners
- Beneficiary Citizen/
   Media comments
- Staff (skills/training)
- Organizational or community changes



## Policies & Procedures



Develop monitoring policies, procedures, guides

Include sample:

- Form letters
- Checklists
- Written agreements



# Levels of Monitoring I

### **HUD** review of PJs

Annual review

If issues, may result in concerns or findings

If problems not resolved, sanctions may be imposed



# Levels of Monitoring II

# PJ monitoring of its programs and administration

- Consistency with Consolidated Plan
- Commitment and expenditure of funds – Match
- Compliance in program design/implementation with HOME rules

Must monitor subrecipient programs annually



# Levels of Monitoring III

### Project monitoring

- Project meets requirements
- Needed regardless of type of project or entity

# Beneficiary monitoring

 Make sure families meet income and occupancy requirement



## Please complete the evaluation!



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