

26/27 Catalyst Training Schedule

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The Florida Housing Finance Corporation's
Affordable Housing Catalyst Program**



WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Date	Location	Training Title
Feb 2027	Marion County Growth Services Main Training Room 2710 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Ocala, FL 34470	Bridging the Gap — SHIP and Continuum of Care Networking Register:
Mar 2027	Orange County Holden Heights Community Center 1201 20th Street Orlando, FL 32805	Affordable Housing Development Process Register:
Mar 2027	South Florida	Proficiency in Income Qualification Register:
Apr 2027	Orange County Holden Heights Community Center 1201 20th Street Orlando, FL 32805	Credit Underwriting Process for Affordable Housing Register:
Apr 2027	Hillsborough County Tampa Law Center, Classroom 1700 North Tampa Street Tampa, FL 33602	SHIP Program Administration Register:

Accessibility: If you require reasonable accommodation to participate in any of these trainings, please let us know. For assistance, contact Tamara West at west@flhousing.org.

In-Person Workshop Descriptions

Bridging the Gap — SHIP and Continuum of Care Networking

LOCATION: Marion County Growth Services Training Room

2710 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Ocala, FL 34470

Time 8:30 am - 5 pm Breakfast will be provided

This collaborative workshop is designed to bring together Homelessness Continuum of Care (CoC) leaders and service providers with State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Administrators and their partners for a structured, solutions-focused dialogue aimed at strengthening the connection between Florida's affordable housing and homelessness response systems. Participants will have the opportunity to build meaningful relationships, develop a shared language around housing needs, and identify concrete areas where collaboration can yield greater impact for the communities they serve and increase housing stability in their community. A key focus of this workshop will be the intersection of homeownership and rental housing strategies as essential tools in solving homelessness

Who Should Attend?

- SHIP staff from local government
- Nonprofit partners that provide rental and mortgage assistance, transitional housing, rapid rehousing, eviction prevention, homelessness prevention
- CoC governance board members and CoC lead agency representatives

Key Topics:

- Identify the responsibilities of SHIP programs, Continuums of Care, and housing service providers.
- Examine opportunities for coordination between affordable housing and homelessness assistance programs.
- Develop strategies to strengthen local partnerships and referral networks.

Proficiency in Income Qualification

LOCATION: South Florida

Time 8:30 am - 5 pm Breakfast will be provided

This is an intensive income compliance workshop designed for those who process SHIP applications and those who oversee the SHIP office. One of the training courses that is most requested by SHIP staff, this course introduces numerous critical eligibility activities, including income verification, determining household size, and calculation of annual income. The training covers how the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act (HOTMA) has updated these income qualification rules. Hands-on exercises will challenge participants to apply qualification methods to case studies and to reflect on how lessons learned may be applied to each participant's daily SHIP work.

Who Should Attend?

- SHIP staff from local government
- Local government staff responsible for compliance
- Nonprofit organizations
- Local lenders or other service providers who are involved with the income eligibility process

Key Topics:

- Determine household composition, calculate annual household income and evaluate assets.
- Certifying income and issuing the award letter.
- Tracking and reporting program accomplishments.

SHIP Program Administration

LOCATION: Tampa Law Center

1700 North Tampa Street Tampa, FL 33602

Time 8:30 am - 5 pm Breakfast will be provided

This workshop will provide guidance on the fundamental rules of the SHIP program, as well as assist SHIP administrators with five years or less of SHIP experience with the implementation of their programs. The training will provide an overview of the SHIP program, LHAP guidance, and an introduction to income eligibility and Affordable Housing Advisory Council (AHAC) requirements. In addition, presenters will review a year-long timeline of SHIP tasks and deadlines and discuss LHAP strategy implementation. Participants will learn about tracking and reporting SHIP, monitoring, and compliance.

Who should attend?

- SHIP administrators
- Subrecipients and sponsors
- SHIP Program staff

Key Topics

- Identify the statutory, regulatory, and administrative requirements governing SHIP programs.
- Explain the role of LHAP, AHAC, and income eligibility requirements in program administration.
- Apply reporting, monitoring, and compliance practices necessary for effective SHIP program management.

The Affordable Housing Development Process

LOCATION: Holden Heights Community Center
1201 20th Street, Orlando, FL 32805
Time 8:30 am - 5 pm Breakfast will be provided

This advanced workshop is designed for nonprofit developers, housing program administrators, and community partners engaged in affordable housing development. Presenters will guide participants through every phase of the development process from site selection and predevelopment activities that are eligible to be funded through the PLP program offered by Florida Housing. The workshop will explain how the PLP program works and can help nonprofits fund predevelopment and get technical assistance.

Who Should Attend?

- Nonprofit developers
- Developers working with cities and counties
- Housing program administrators and community partners interested in affordable housing development

Key Topics:

- Describe the major phases of the affordable housing development process.
- Identify eligible predevelopment activities and funding opportunities available through the PLP program.
- Evaluate how predevelopment planning, financing, and technical assistance support project readiness.

The Credit Underwriting Process for Affordable Housing

LOCATION: Holden Heights Community Center
1201 20th Street, Orlando, FL 32805
Time 8:30 am - 5 pm Breakfast will be provided

This workshop is designed to introduce the underwriting process that takes place after a funding award has been approved. The workshop will help de-mystify the underwriting process and provide guidance that begins in the predevelopment phase and continues throughout the closing process.

Who Should Attend?

- Nonprofit developers
- Developers working with cities and counties
- Housing program administrators and community partners interested in affordable housing development

Key Topics:

- Describe the purpose of the affordable housing credit underwriting process.
- Identify financial documents and project information required during underwriting review.
- Explain how underwriting findings affect project financing, closing, and development timelines.

WEBINAR SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Training
9-Jul	2:00 PM	Preparing and Submitting the SHIP Annual Report
23-Jul	2:00 PM	Monitoring SHIP-Funded Rental Housing
30-Jul	2:00 PM	Preparing for the SHIP Monitor
6-Aug	10:00 AM	Proficiency in Income Qualification Part 1
12-Aug	2:00 PM	YIGBY 101- Navigating Policy, Process
18-Aug	10:00 AM	Proficiency in Income Qualification Part 2
3-Sep	10:00 AM	SHIP Program Funding Essentials for Finance Staff
10-Sep	10:00 AM	Affordable Housing Funding Sources for Homeownership
15-Sep	2:00 PM	Facilitating Innovative Home Building Solutions
22-Sep	10:00 AM	Comprehensive SHIP Administration Series Part 1
29-Sep	10:00 AM	Comprehensive SHIP Administration Series Part 1
8-Oct	10:00 AM	The Role of the SHIP Sub Recipient
13-Oct	10:00 AM	Tricks of the Trade
21-Oct	2:00 PM	Navigating the Live Local Act's Land Use Policies
27-Oct	10:00 AM	Tune Up Your Homebuyer Program
4-Nov	10:00 AM	Nonprofit Sustainability and Growth
5-Nov	10:00 AM	The SHIP Complaint Process: Prevention, Response, and Resolution
10-Nov	2:00 PM	Planning and Zoning
17-Nov	10:00 AM	LHAP Design Part 1
19-Nov	10:00 AM	LHAP Design Part 2
2-Dec	10:00 AM	Understanding Changes to the Florida Building Code Part 1
3-Dec	10:00 AM	Understanding Changes to the Florida Building Code Part 2
8-Dec	2:00 PM	AHAC Training - Designing Effective Land Use Incentives
15-Dec	10:00 AM	Best SHIP Practices in Serving Special Needs & Homeless
17-Dec	10:00 AM	The Rehabilitation/ Emergency Repair Process
5-Jan	10:00 AM	Income Qualification Practice with Income and Asset Calculations
14-Jan	10:00 AM	Guidance on Establishing and Working with a CHDO
21-Jan	10:00 AM	Funding Sources & Partnerships to Serve Vulnerable Populations
26-Jan	2:00 PM	Local Funding for Affordable Housing
2-Feb	2:00 PM	Success with Demolition and Home Replacement
9-Feb	2:00 PM	Adaptive Reuse for Affordable Housing
17-Feb	10:00 AM	Supporting Your Rental Housing Developer
24-Feb	2:00 PM	Long-term Affordability and Understanding Deed Restrictions
2-Mar	10:00 AM	Creating a Local Disaster Housing Strategy
9-Mar	10:00 AM	Improving Renter Household Disaster Recovery Outcomes
16-Mar	10:00 AM	Vouchers Without Vacancy
23-Mar	2:00 PM	Case Studies of Development on Institutional Land
31-Mar	10:00 AM	Understanding Solicitations for Affordable Housing
6-Apr	2:00 PM	Form-Based Codes for Housing Availability and Affordability
13-Apr	10:00 AM	Disaster-Resilient Housing Design
21-Apr	10:00 AM	Funding Projects through Tax-Exempt Bonds
28-Apr	10:00 AM	Resilient Roof and Insurance Savings

Date	Time	Training
5-May	2:00 PM	Infrastructure Surtax to Support Permanently Affordable Housing
18-May	2:00 PM	Property Tax Policy for Affordable Housing
25-May	2:00 PM	Tracking SHIP Funds, Set-Aside Compliance and Deadlines
3-Jun	10:00 AM	Expediting Rehabilitation
9-Jun	2:00 PM	Preservation of Affordable Housing
17-Jun	2:00 PM	Avoiding Conflict of Interest Issues with Staff, Contractors

Webinar Descriptions

Preparing and Submitting the Annual Report

July 9, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/AqrFCvXuS7SzFw1K_KVPtAuNLqTVSnQD7gz-kmu_RO1EVJk1Xate~AsbUMHfpRbYN53oc1oXVbquglinSW-Mm_LwP2YCK436x772-h_1ODOd0w

Are you prepared to submit your SHIP Annual Report on or before September 15th? Every community must submit a report—even if expenditures or encumbrances are delayed. This training will help with reporting 23/24 and 24/25 SHIP funds in a manner that fully complies with SHIP rules. Presenters will provide guidance on how to complete each tab of the report along with instructions on how to obtain data needed for the certification, questions on foreclosure default, success stories and more. Learn about updates to the annual report system. Additional topics include guidance on reporting incentive strategies, completing the certification form, and next steps if you are noncompliant.

Monitoring SHIP-Funded Rental Housing

July 23, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/Aj9dbWd6akAVz6cjAgYZErVYiXJ-NdUWzRBNE7tOJYyEiAB9JQUJ~AIX5Wwrg2egUTDDBIVzSEf7yX2oySm_HhGMCqsvD1SjQVXyX3ptE5wVgwp

Before investing in SHIP to build or repair rental housing, SHIP staff must learn the rules and requirements. This webinar addresses one of the biggest commitments, the requirement to monitor SHIP-funded rental units. The presenters will address SHIP rental housing monitoring requirements along with monitoring requirements for housing with blended financing from Housing Credits, SAIL, and more. Presenters will address methods for reviewing tenant income eligibility documentation. Participants will learn about rent affordability compliance and the steps of the compliance monitoring process.

Preparing for the SHIP Monitor

July 30, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/AlMzTdehNd26_ezjiQS8XwDtTB5KvZoTBqEfHwYOWZYPwtEEZ8qR~AvtKWWux-ZCLJziRJONUCIXfOIGHResdp1B8kZ3PF6fNMGbeq005RXN8g

This webinar is designed to familiarize SHIP staff with the periodic monitoring process. Have you received notice that a Florida Housing Finance Corporation Monitor will soon conduct a compliance review of your SHIP program? Don't get nervous, get prepared. Presenters will share lessons learned from recent monitoring reports to help you prepare for your monitoring visit. Participants will receive an overview of the monitoring process and learn about the program details that SHIP monitors focus their attention on during their review of the SHIP jurisdictions program.

Proficiency in Income Qualification Part 1

August 6, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/AiUlshj9yRFRJBPTHdAAfJnjdJi3C5AMmU_90GkAeeF3Uy4utWM~Ar8G_pwaOs71HHI5o5rRHTnKeexuhz_xGwPlaNmV6ye64M1SQDvs2li-pA

Presenters will cover the process of advertising based on the SHIP statute and rule as well as your LHAP, establishing a waiting list, completing the application intake process, setting priorities based on your LHAP, and determining household members to establish household size. Presenters will explain how the Housing

Opportunity Through Modernization Act (HOTMA) has updated rules related to household members, income verification, and more.

YIGBY 101- Navigating Policy, Process, and Partnership for Faith-Based Housing

August 12, 2:00 pm

Registration:

<https://events.zoom.us/j/8IeqBd3Mow1YRxM02GhIKFX1mdFntrLrImreKSMi7mLdyE1SqCZmkw>

Join us for a deep dive into Florida's two Yes-in-God's-Backyard (YIGBY) laws—one a state mandate, the other a local option. These policies unlock qualifying land owned by religious institutions for affordable housing, regardless of zoning. In this session, you'll learn about how the two laws work, with a focus on land use, zoning, pre-development, how YIGBY can be used to support persons in the greatest need of housing options, and how local housing ecosystems can activate YIGBY. Whether you're a local government staffer, housing advocate, faith-based leader, or builder, this webinar will equip you with practical tools and policy guidance to help bring affordable housing to your community.

Proficiency in Income Qualification Part 2

August 18, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This webinar will focus on calculating assets and asset income. Presenters will explain how HOTMA has defined categories of assets and changed the rules for calculating asset income. Participants will learn how to calculate sources of income and complete the resident income certification form.

SHIP Program Funding Essentials for Finance Staff

September 3, 10:00 am

Registration:

<https://events.zoom.us/j/JUPODpQjJzUymNpgJfC~AhkyFzTeJR5aJo9MnIapqgKsJBi-rRcP1hEyg0FNFPkaZpkGmyeDdiSWg>

Designed specifically for finance and accounting staff, this webinar provides a practical overview of SHIP funding requirements and financial management responsibilities. Participants will learn the fundamentals of SHIP budgeting, expenditure tracking, set-asides, administrative caps, encumbrance deadlines, reporting requirements, and program income management. The training will also address common audit findings, financial reconciliation practices, and coordination between program and finance departments. This session is ideal for new finance staff or anyone seeking a clearer understanding of SHIP compliance from a fiscal perspective.

Affordable Housing Funding Sources for Homeownership

September 10, 10:00 am

Registration:

<https://events.zoom.us/j/~Ah139AtiGwhCDor1lPApH1S05ILkpW9v8wJ9m0bmOp4EovA1hFeXXkBS2Q>

This webinar will focus on reviewing state and federal funding sources that can be used to increase access to homeownership, including FHFC programs, CDBG, and HOME. Participants will learn how these state and federal funds can be leveraged for maximum impact. Presenters will also discuss tools and strategies that can incentivize the creation of affordable housing to increase availability of units for homeownership. Presenters will provide examples of strategies currently being implemented using the funding sources discussed in this webinar.

Facilitating Innovative Home Building Solutions

September 15, 2:00 pm

Registration:

https://events.zoom.us/j/dUCMM1Xe_05Uk8gSB0mzmh6qw1ue8NR3eYGCRRXn-TgHoXvleew

Learn more about different approaches to home building - manufactured homes, modular homes, 3-D printed homes. We will talk about land use policy and regulations to allow and facilitate these homes at affordable price points, including implications of House Bill 399 signed into law in 2026 related to off-site

constructed homes. We will also hear lessons learned on implementation, featuring local governments and home providers in communities where these homes are considered and constructed.

Comprehensive SHIP Administration Series Part 1

September 22, 10:00 am

Registration:

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Join us for an introductory webinar covering the SHIP program's core elements, including income eligibility, LHAP development, and AHAC requirements. Learn the fundamental responsibilities involved with providing housing assistance. This session is designed to equip SHIP administrators with foundational knowledge and practical tools to strengthen program delivery.

Comprehensive SHIP Administration Series Part 2

September 29, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This session walks through a year-round timeline of SHIP responsibilities, addressing activities that occur year-round, along with seasonal tasks. The presenters will review the sections of the Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) and offer guidance on implementing LHAP strategies. Participants will gain insights into effective tracking, reporting, fiscal management, and compliance practices.

The Role of the SHIP Sub Recipient

October 8, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/ApcNR8FukyLprxZw0sEeCGlomh5NTiol1VyzK6-rxT6QUjcO_FdE~ApmF3iLhXmE4xU88A-CvJGpSmOU6rc8NomPxGa3IPmzfhhGqim-RImMDw

This webinar examines the important role of sub recipients in successful SHIP program administration. Learn what types of organizations may serve as sub recipients as well as what types of services they can provide. Presentations from SHIP administrators and their partner organizations will discuss how they effectively administer SHIP-funded activities. The session will cover LHAP selection criteria, recommended Request for Proposal language, procurement considerations, written agreements, service delivery fees, monitoring responsibilities, and communication practices. This training is ideal for local governments considering outsourcing SHIP activities or strengthening existing sub recipient partnerships.

Tricks of the Trade: Real Estate Tips for an Affordable Mortgage

October 13, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/AtIgAqyz7oMeAyxq5aykWycbd1AM716KnovcmSYiOiAKMnHO9Aoj~Al4sDuKwx7_RxZfPR5tp2K8OCZ5tkDLjIISUiraLZgBdEcpKbd4d0ZvY8g

Real Estate Tips for an Affordable Mortgage: Purchasing a home is often an intimidating process that leaves prospective homebuyers overwhelmed. The reality is most homebuyers rely on their housing partners such as Realtors, lenders, and title companies to get the job done and trust that they are getting the best deal. This is not always the case as industry standards are not universal. In this training you will learn some trade tips that may lead to lower mortgage payments and possibly decrease a buyer's out-of-pocket costs when purchasing a home. Topics to be shared include choosing Realtors and lenders, up-front costs, shopping for services, seller concessions, discount points, negotiating homeowner's insurance, and understanding the Closing Disclosure. This training will give SHIP administrators a behind the scenes look at best practices that should be incorporated into their purchase assistance programs.

Navigating the Live Local Act's Land Use Policies

October 21, 2:00 pm

Registration:

<https://events.zoom.us/j/91258744444>

One of the main pillars of the 2023 Live Local Act was its land use mandate for affordable housing in commercial, industrial, and mixed-use areas. This training will explore all aspects of this affordable housing tool from the basics of the law to data, and to implementation. Presenters will take an in-depth look at all aspects of the land use mandate and provide examples from practitioners throughout the state.

Tune Up Your Homebuyer Program

October 27, 10:00 am

Registration: <https://events.zoom.us/j/84411111111>

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This is an engaging and practical webinar designed to help SHIP grantees strengthen and refine their purchase assistance program. This session will explore best practices, common pitfalls, and innovative strategies to ensure your program is efficient, compliant, and market responsive. Whether you're looking to improve outreach, streamline processes, or enhance long-term affordability measures, this webinar will provide valuable insights and actionable tips to keep your program performing at its best.

Nonprofit Sustainability and Growth

November 4, 10:00 am

Registration:

<https://events.zoom.us/j/96011111111>

This training will help those interested in building nonprofit organizational capacity and resiliency, such as nonprofit CEOs or executive directors, senior staff, board members, funders, and local government staff working with nonprofits. Presenters will help participants identify factors that can boost nonprofit performance, like tracking performance and building strong staff. Learn how to evaluate a nonprofit's financial strength. This training offers valuable tools to navigate the complexities of nonprofit management and drive sustainable impact in the community. Participants will learn about funding opportunities available to help nonprofits succeed. They will get helpful guidance about development oversight, property operations, and management.

The SHIP Complaint Process: Prevention, Response, and Resolution

November 5, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This webinar will provide an overview of the SHIP applicant complaint process, including common types of complaints and practical strategies for responding to them. Participants will learn best practices for documentation, recordkeeping, and communication that can help minimize misunderstandings and reduce the likelihood of complaints escalating. Presenters will walk through the complaint resolution process from initial receipt through mediation, investigation, and final disposition, highlighting key timelines, responsibilities, and parties involved.

Planning and Zoning

November 10, 2:00 pm

Registration: <https://events.zoom.us/jv/Ap2k-JXJS-V8CetJfsElKbc037DiRUOTqBmfydn6ZvF3XZ-3h-SY~AvThP3Hv0oIhPcFIaZh8Di-->

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This training will address a variety of zoning regulations to increase the supply of affordable housing in Florida and ensure well-designed places to live. Presenters will discuss specific aspects of zoning regulations that impact housing supply and a resident's experience of their living space. We will also hear from communities who have recently implemented zoning reforms to promote more housing and affordable housing, as well as their design considerations in making these reforms.

LHAP Design Part 1

November 17, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This webinar will assist local government staff in the preparation and implementation of the Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) as required by SHIP. It focuses on using and improving LHAP in the three years between when the plan is formally updated. Learn how to write an LHAP that is clear, concise and complies with all requirements. The presenters will advise participants how to update existing strategies, add a new strategy, and incorporate the regulatory reform work of the affordable housing advisory committee (AHAC) into the LHAP.

LHAP Design Part 2

November 19, 10:00 am

Registration: <https://events.zoom.us/j/AhWl4hjkuoUJTQoXHTT-If0asrfNwyoxdesCZ4FJRfb9qauQSdJ8~Ag0F5FY2cZ-BrSW8yei1ZFFLakvkjs7ubALDnLMicuPjCIUOWkD8E4huQ>

This webinar will provide examples of the nuts and bolts of the plan update. Key topics to be addressed include properly defining terms of assistance and designing housing strategies that work in a changing market. Presenters will discuss not-so-common strategies that can be used to serve both renters and owners. Local governments will be encouraged to review local data to better identify the needs in their community when it comes to selecting and designing strategies to ensure a comprehensive approach to addressing affordable housing needs.

Understanding Changes to the Florida

Building Code Part 1

December 2, 10:00 am

Registration:

https://events.zoom.us/j/AmvpUwcM6rJVdMILysulh5qYSIC4XSznVhsuMgIYTZQFTw5KXxG~ApEeNqHMjgBATogfGuHWMsoVtPgZYEgUb7JD_fwYehj0v3REZce5tlYfFQ

This is the first of a two-part webinar series that helps SHIP staff and affordable housing developers understand and comply with the upcoming Florida Building Code changes that go into effect in December 2026. The first training focuses on resilience, wind, and structural updates. Learn about wind loads, flood resistance, and durability standards. Presenters will discuss practical design and construction strategies that control costs while increasing long-term performance. Identify what is changing and learn about updating designs and engaging contractors.

Understanding Changes to the Florida

Building Code Part 2

December 3, 10:00 am

Registration:

https://events.zoom.us/j/AjRsoQlZKt4wJvNUVA72riorXdeHair6YZvQ72trE8efjulFxxv6k~ArFwaszbr3l_ZwTpAFMXaLjzJyxT3h52hpQ0VmKw2_HC5iru9nYsC7Z5Qw

This is the second installment of a two-part webinar on the upcoming Florida Building Code changes. This webinar will focus on energy systems, materials, and project feasibility changes. Learn about updates affecting energy efficiency, mechanical systems, and material specifications, integrating compliance pathways, funding alignment considerations, and value engineering strategies suitable for affordable housing.

AHAC Training - Designing Effective Land Use Incentives

December 8, 2:00 pm

Registration:

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This webinar will provide guidance on evaluating effective structures of incentives, including density bonuses and how to coordinate other regulatory incentives, to successfully encourage use of these incentives

and produce affordable units. Florida Housing Coalition presenters will summarize trends and provide example incentive structures from across the state.

Best SHIP Practices in Serving Special Needs & Homeless

December 15, 10:00 am

Registration:

https://events.zoom.us/j/AgKV_1eAOtVwV2uJCLHfBxsMhKNkAyxCIuwabapggN85rANpURg8~AqK2yE3ewu1Kf2uB2yuvN9fRIS75m9R MG07tLy2V_hKR5GMrhDV_z_O7yQ

This training will address how to use SHIP to help special needs households and households experiencing homelessness. Attendees will learn the types of special needs defined by Florida statute and how those households can be prioritized for SHIP assistance, including purchase assistance, rent subsidies, home repair and barrier removal, and other rental housing options. Learn how to document special needs households. Community presenters will discuss SHIP strategies utilized in their communities for these populations. This webinar is for SHIP staff and those interested in learning how SHIP can serve special needs of households and households experiencing homelessness.

The Rehabilitation/ Emergency Repair Process

December 17, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/ArQXS7xH-yF-wD70DICptaHSSG0Vfjm97OMsO0fr-oXhvH-AW44i~Apfan7bDgRESeBmfcaTWWvc8uHpWcDAEsOUvWxhFu-utlW_vnWegOjFQaQ

The rehabilitation process requires housing administrators and their staff to work with homeowners, contractors, building inspectors, local officials, and funders. Understanding each of these groups and learning to work with them helps to avoid some of the problems that are commonly encountered in rehabilitation programs. The presenters will address weaknesses in rehab programs and best practices to improve them. Topics include contractor selection and removal, scope of work, the bidding process, contract terms and award, inspections, payments, guarantees and warranties, and long-term compliance and monitoring.

Income Qualification Practice with Income and Asset Calculations

January 7, 10:00 am

Registration:

https://events.zoom.us/j/AiLhq3PvxsIVGT8W_ThYydbuPferHkiG3SAfl28yv9BkrMs7KILY~Ai3ySGLUh0o5gI3_SAgFmgXdHn2_iEBNh9sOgXFzVCiE9lww-wnf-7Ppqw

Income determination remains one of the most important and challenging aspects of SHIP compliance. This webinar provides in-depth training on calculating annual household income and evaluating assets using a variety of real-world scenarios. Participants will work through examples involving wages, self-employment, fixed income, assets, and other income sources commonly encountered in SHIP programs. Interactive exercises and homework assignments will reinforce learning and provide opportunities for practical application after the session. Before the webinar, participants will receive income qualification exercises to review before seeing the presenters calculate the answers. Following the webinar, participants will also receive a companion handout featuring income and asset calculation questions and answers for future reference.

Guidance on Establishing and Working with a CHDO

January 14, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/Ahav_reaPp8SkkB9uH0KH5Wc-yM47xJT7XhjJAO3yOUrkU6ggI3E~AsaDg0r1ICVD-8a3ZZ6tw5l7dY9DF_OZC6Z7e67pDmCV_inOCmPjTRcwnQ

Participants will learn about HOME Program Regulations (24 CFR Part 92), specifically pertaining to CHDO requirements, including eligible activities, compliance requirements, and key administrative provisions. The session will also cover CHDO qualifications, board composition requirements, and other regulatory thresholds, ensuring organizations understand the criteria for obtaining and maintaining certification and eligibility. Participants will gain the regulatory knowledge necessary to position them as a CHDO and trusted partner to local governments for affordable housing initiatives.

Funding Sources & Partnerships to Serve Vulnerable Populations

January 21, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/jv/Ak67HgmNwwCnQCGqcvOD6E4_6ya6nMZFTsSv7w_d4Kt-tmq9c8~Ah-SDNbY26R_Zp-vri4uyP7P6DcZr6UXQ8bovQzAVbgDbKgZL13XH2uUg

This session provides an overview of rental housing funding along with resources to support people experiencing homelessness. The presenters will discuss how to combine and leverage major funding sources to subsidize the development of affordable rental housing. Learn about state and federal homelessness resources including the Department of Children and Families Challenge Grant, the federal Emergency Solution Grant (ESG), CoC dedicated funding, HUD VASH (Veteran Assisted Supportive Housing), Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA), and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Homelessness Prevention Program.

Local Funding for Affordable Housing

January 26, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/jv/AsR8H37x6MeOo-B7xbH_3fqw_ZgiCa3gi-S1PYz5DSSdThbIWGVD~AhT2bFlcyazIwpZYgTC1xdGewRaD5KcLDgXenBvOcWXHGhXk0D-4vilK3A

Local funding is one of the most powerful tools a community has to address its housing needs. This webinar covers what cities and counties need to know to put local dollars to work — from establishing housing trust funds to identifying the right funding sources, including general revenue, land sale proceeds, local bonds, CRAs, infrastructure surtaxes, linkage fees, and more. Presenters will also share strategies for targeting funds to the households that need help most.

Success with Demolition and Home Replacement

February 2, 10:00 am

Registration: <https://events.zoom.us/jv/AsTCGKdRjx0kiPGewY9HptHN-E82zfW6Po1NbGxSUMbdJqmuLGek~AodImPBZaqVmu0fg6u5y8s6aaU9veCfeWJxe8aRiMASvObk8eoAdxdLvXA>

Explore how SHIP funds can be successfully used to support demolition and home replacement activities that improve housing quality and resiliency for low-income households. This webinar will walk participants through eligibility requirements, environmental and procurement considerations, ownership and relocation issues, contractor oversight, and construction timelines. Learn from SHIP administrators who have successfully provided replacement assistance. Presenters will share real-world examples, lessons learned, and best practices from local governments that have implemented replacement housing strategies. Participants will gain practical guidance on structuring projects, documenting compliance, and avoiding common pitfalls throughout the process.

Adaptive Reuse for Affordable Housing

February 9, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/jv/AscLR4-UvnOCThwZHbb71F_6mAPInSGrlYtGjStxsp2DSwuqBcTs~AhwOJ-MezjmOgUVkyH2vgsBNGoddbPAY2UhlXvMJoOJ5GnHymG4-J3DtIJA

This webinar offers guidance on converting non-residential properties to permanent affordable housing. The presenters will discuss policy considerations for local governments and development considerations through example projects.

Supporting Your Rental Housing Developer

February 17, 10:00 am

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This webinar puts a spotlight on the formation of a consistent and compliant process to work with developers so proposed projects can be evaluated and selected for preference and allocation of support. A prime example is the “Local Government Contribution” required for some Florida Housing Finance Corporation Requests for Applications. Competing projects vie for this valuable support and can propose quality development, tenant amenities, and permanent affordability. We will go through examples of how to evaluate projects and to make the commitment while reserving remittance until the project gets the go ahead from Florida Housing Finance Corporation. We will cover the concept of land value creation and

capture and look at various sources, including SHIP, that can be used to support quality rental developments.

Long-term Affordability and Understanding Deed Restrictions

February 24, 2:00 pm

Registration:

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Affordable housing financed with government subsidy must be affordable for a set period of time. This training will address best practices for ensuring that these housing units are affordable in the long term. Presenters will discuss CLTs, Land Use Restriction Agreements (LURA), and how to determine which legal mechanism to use in differing situations. This training will also cover how to set the term of affordability, which entity should be responsible for monitoring, and other policy considerations.

Creating a Local Disaster Housing Strategy

March 2, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This training will focus on a six-step planning process and will feature new information from the recently updated “Creating a Local Disaster Housing Strategy” publication. The webinar will provide guidance on coordinating across local government departments, working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), using data for planning and outreach, and improving collaboration with long-term recovery groups. The webinar will include speakers from the Florida Department of Emergency Management to introduce the State's upcoming Disaster Housing Recovery Planning initiative scheduled for 2027.

Improving Renter Household Disaster Recovery Outcomes

March 9, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This training will focus on reducing risks through disaster preparedness and strengthening local plans. A substantial body of research shows that disaster recovery aid favors homeowners, often neglecting the immediate and long-term needs of renters. This webinar will share insights from a new HUD-funded disaster recovery research initiative implemented by UCF, UF, BDO (formerly HORNE), and the Florida Housing Coalition. The researchers identified systemic program gaps and impacts to renter households across multiple disasters. Presenters will discuss the findings and recommendations for local program and policy changes to improve disaster preparedness, response, and long-term recovery for renters and rental property owners.

Vouchers Without Vacancy: Fixing the Gap in Affordable Housing

March 16, 10:00 am

Registration:

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While rental assistance vouchers are intended to help low-income families afford housing, they are often rendered ineffective due to a lack of available, affordable units in the housing market. This webinar will explore this growing challenge of housing choice vouchers that go unused and examine the disconnect between voucher availability and housing supply. The webinar will highlight innovative strategies communities are using to close this gap and discuss policy and program solutions that can help ensure vouchers truly provide access to stable, affordable housing.

Case Studies of Development on Institutional Land

March 23, 2:00 pm

Registration:

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Recent Florida legislation expands development opportunities on properties owned by faith organizations and school boards. This webinar will take a deep dive into development examples on each type of property demonstrating how legislation works in practice. Presenters will cover how developments were visioned, financed, and navigated through local approval processes. They will discuss partnerships formed to meet local housing needs and how the unique challenges of developing housing on these properties can be addressed.

Understanding Solicitations for Affordable Housing

March 25, 10:00 am

Registration:

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Local governments have various means through which to solicit and procure services from private sector partners in the development of affordable housing. This webinar will provide an overview of these means: requests for proposals/applications, requests for qualifications, requests for information, invitations to negotiate and unsolicited offers. Presenters will provide a definition of each, discuss statutory provisions governing procurement, and provide an understanding on how best to utilize each method for efficient and effective deployment of local government resources including land and financing. Learn how to align local processes with Florida Housing's request for applications and other funding sources.

Form-Based Codes for Housing Availability and Affordability

April 6, 2:00 pm

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This webinar will cover what form-based codes are, how they are different from typical Euclidean zoning, and considerations for gearing them to support more homes and more types of homes for relative affordability. Presenters will discuss examples from communities implementing a form-based code.

Disaster-Resilient Housing Design

April 13, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/j/Alj69n27rcgfk6bhh0QKK3w5S0kDC_ZgMBnPrGsxEUFFIRhF-Get~AhyDppeB9qnb28F17oWISOu_Fenr9rJfCUE6PFveHIOX44Sg_gRJjNNahQ

The training addresses how to create disaster resistant single- and multi-family housing stock. Learn about resiliency in affordable multifamily residential design, which incorporates advanced stormwater infrastructure and building mitigation strategies to proactively reduce the impacts from increased heat and extreme rain to better protect residents. Also learn about programs to enhance low-income single family home resilience.

Funding Projects through Tax-Exempt Bonds

April 21, 10:00 am

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This session demystifies how 4% tax credits and tax-exempt bonds can be used to finance affordable rental housing. Learn how to layer Florida Housing funding sources and structure your capital stack effectively. The webinar will examine how developers combine tax exempt bonds with other Florida Housing and local funding to develop affordable housing. The training will explore the application process and the complications that can arise from this funding. Presenters will review projects that have been completed with 4% credit and tax-exempt bonds.

Updating Roof Rehabilitation to Support Insurance Savings

April 28, 10:00 am

Registration:

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This training is intended for SHIP rehabilitation assistance staff. The Florida Office of Insurance Regulation (OIR) updated its Uniform Mitigation Verification Inspection Form (OIR-B1-1802) in April 2026. The form incorporates new features such as secondary water resistance and modern construction standards which can offer homeowners greater insurance savings. This training will assist local governments and their contractors with updating their roof repair and replacement programs. Presenters will discuss the technical requirements that qualify homeowners for insurance premium reductions. Participants will also learn about wind mitigation inspection requirements and insurance documentation practices. This training will support LHAP program management, implementation and compliance, and help more homeowners obtain insurance discounts.

Infrastructure Surtax to Support Permanently Affordable Housing

May 5, 2:00 pm

Registration:

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This webinar examines how Florida local governments can use a voter-approved 1-cent local infrastructure surtax or “penny tax” to support permanently affordable housing. Counties like Pinellas, Collier, and Alachua have already leveraged this sales tax to fund land acquisition, infrastructure development, and the construction or rehabilitation of units for low-to-moderate income households. Because land is critical to expanding the current number of housing units, surtax revenue is particularly well-suited to support permanently affordable models by funding the acquisition of land that can be stewarded permanently. The session will cover how the surtax works, how it can be structured to include affordable housing and potential partnerships with CLTs activity, and what practical steps local governments and housing advocates can take to ensure meaningful allocations for long-term affordability.

Property Tax Policy for Affordable Housing

May 18, 2:00 pm

Registration:

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Property tax policy can have a major impact on housing affordability. Whether you are looking at project feasibility for an affordable multifamily rental project, the monthly mortgage payment for a low-income homeowner, or trying to encourage market rate properties to lower their rents in exchange for an incentive or two, property tax policy can play a major role in housing policy. This webinar will provide a background on property tax law in Florida and address all the property tax policies in state law that are available for the production and preservation of affordable housing. Presenters will cover related topics including, but not limited to, the how statewide legislation such as the Live Local Act can impact property tax policy, the impact of property taxes on a development's bottom line, and how local property tax policies can be developed equitably.

Tracking SHIP Funds, Set-Aside Compliance and Deadlines

May 25, 2:00 pm

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This webinar focuses on the upfront work needed to ensure that SHIP funds are expended in a manner that fully complies with SHIP rules. The training details all that is involved with collecting the data needed to create annual reports. The presenters will discuss a timeline to help you keep up with the expenditure and

encumbrance deadlines. Participants will learn the details of complying with the income, homeownership, construction, special needs, and manufactured home set-aside requirements. Additional topics include guidance on reporting incentive strategies, tracking foreclosures and defaults, completing the certification form, and next steps if you are noncompliant.

Expediting Rehabilitation and Demolition/ Home Replacement

June 3, 10:00 am

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/jv/CJ5WdSC4d0jBMdjRJG7OcAilhHrBwNp~AkWT9nTbeYOIl_Hm4GUWTN5ucJ_0pkIwDLOn4a9Eidu60mn-cwW1z-pVQ

This session explores practical strategies to accelerate the delivery of essential housing repairs, as well as demolition and home replacement projects. Participants will learn how to streamline procurement, inspections, and project management to reduce delays and administrative burdens. The training will also highlight how demolition/reconstruction can be an effective strategy to better serve households in need of safe, stable housing.

Preservation of Affordable Housing

June 9, 2:00 pm

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This webinar examines the process of developing a housing preservation plan aimed at ensuring the continuity of the affordability of subsidized rental housing units as they approach the expiration of their mandated affordability periods. The session will address how local housing stakeholders can coordinate across public, nonprofit, and private sectors to prevent the loss of existing affordable rental stock. Participants will explore the key components of a preservation strategy, including methods for identifying at-risk properties, understanding the regulatory and financial frameworks that govern affordability restrictions, and evaluating the tools available to extend or restore affordability, such as refinancing, recapitalization, acquisition by mission-driven owners, and the layering of additional subsidies.

Avoiding Conflict of Interest Issues with Staff, Contractors

June 17, 2:00 pm

Registration: https://events.zoom.us/jv/Am5gu8g2dCfoHz7NU5yOD5OAZHWu-3aKp27IW4P9pgCIPexVUau~Ajs2Z7GMJHitWGXW9ZigJ_6FU9eBz3qD8jcs5opsbb4LxmBLfODO2BMA9A

Federal and state laws require that conflicts of interest be avoided in the deployment of public funds. Local governments should address potential conflict of interest issues with applicants, contractors, and local elected officials. This training will help define what is considered a conflict of interest and how local government address potential conflict of interest issues in their programs. Learn best practices related to identifying, resolving, and avoiding conflict of interest from other local governments.