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### Financing Rental Housing in Areas of Opportunity

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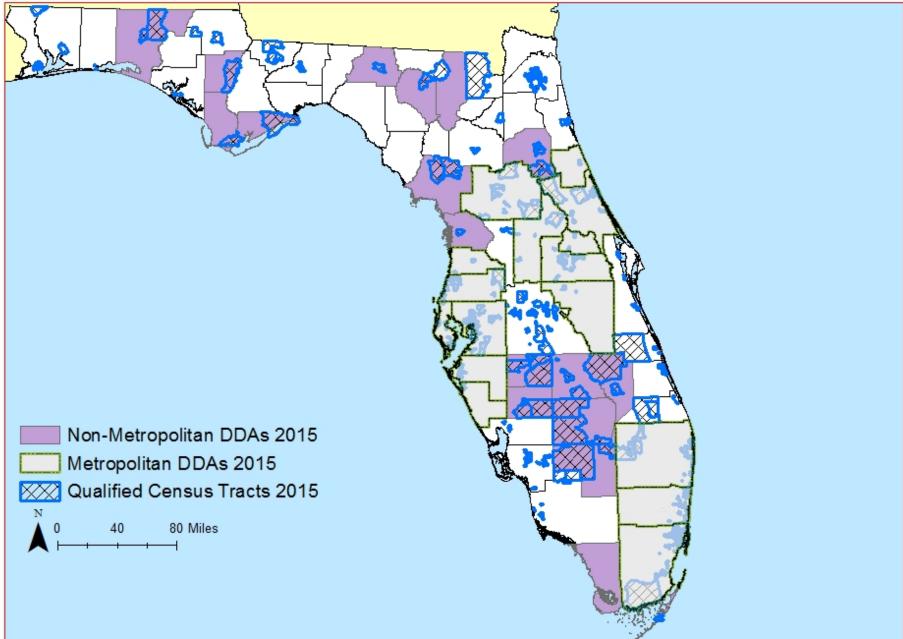
### Why "Areas of Opportunity"?

- **Supreme Court Decision** *Tx Dept of Housing & Community Affairs v. The Inclusive Communities Project*
- HUD's Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Rule requires public entities, including HFAs to further fair housing
- New HUD DDA methodology to designate metropolitan Difficult Development Areas

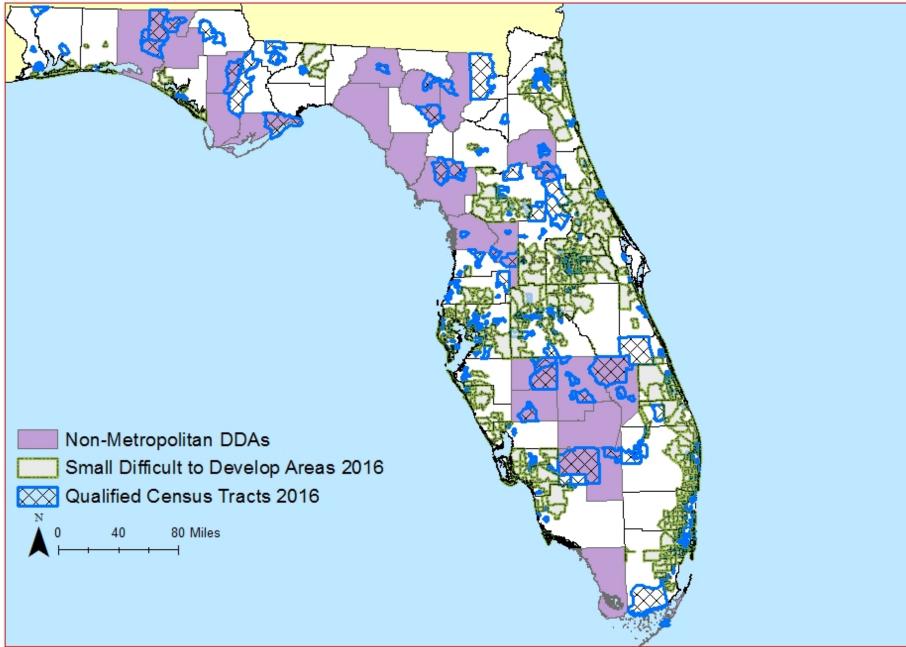
### QCTs and DDAs get a "Boost"

- QCTs = Qualified Census Tracts lowest income areas of MSAs
- DDA = Difficult Development Areas higher cost areas
  - Will change to "Small Area" DDAs
  - Prior to change, Florida DDAs often covered metro entire counties
  - Change means boost will be available in fewer areas

State of Florida 2015 DDAs and QCTs



#### State of Florida 2016 DDAs and QCTs



### **Does the Boost Matter?**

- Historically significant in developers' determination of where to locate transactions
- 2009-2015: ~90% of all awarded HC properties in DDAs or QCTs
  - 54% in DDAs alone
  - 14% in QCTs alone
  - 21% in both DDA/QCTs
- This means 75% of all awards made in DDAs

### **How FHFC Properties Stack Up**

in the 7 Large Counties

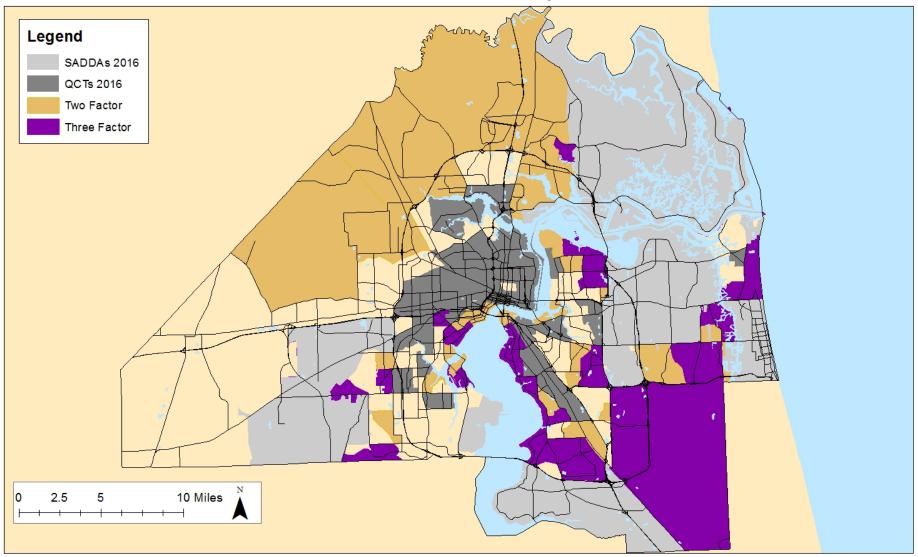
- Median income in our areas is, overall, higher than average of the QCT median
- Median income in our areas is lower than overall average for the county
- New small DDAs have 20% higher average income than county average medians

## **Areas of Opportunity**

### **3 Variables Combined**

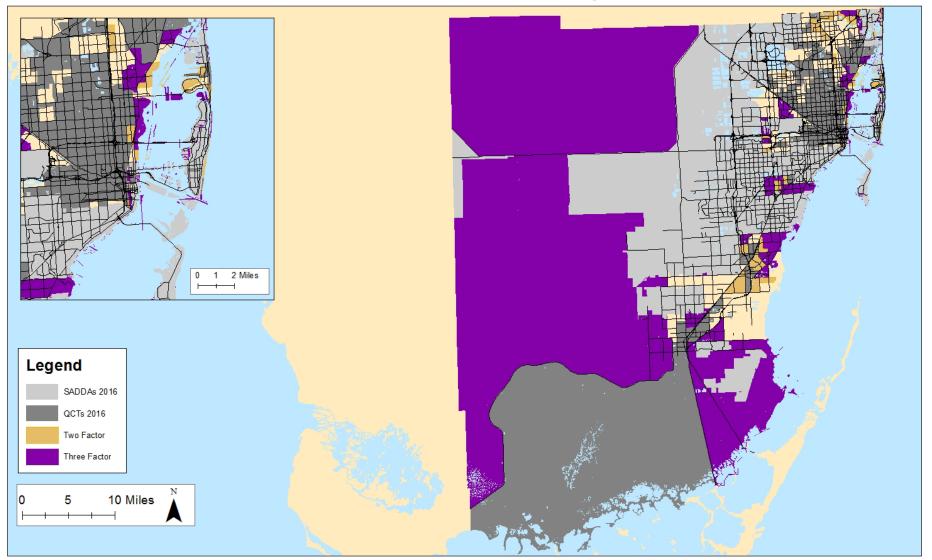
- Median income greater than the average for the county
- Educational attainment in the top half of the county
- Employment rate greater than statewide rate

### **Duval County**



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### Miami-Dade County



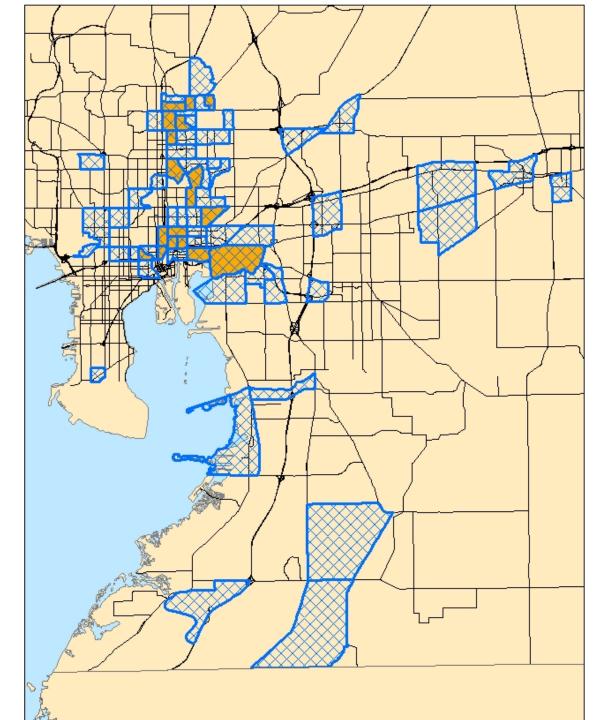
### **Disincentives to Develop in Some QCTs**

### • Focus on QCTs with:

 High poverty level (greater than 40% of households – ~\$16K for family of 2)

AND

- High minority concentration (greater than 50%)
- HUD calls these areas "RECAPs" Racially/Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty



### Hillsborough County QCTs and RECAP QCTs

### **Allowable Development in RECAPs**

- Preservation of existing affordable housing
- Redevelopment of old affordable housing
- New construction via Revitalization RFA
- New construction with local government preference



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# The End!