

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS 2023-304

Rental Recovery Loan Program (RRLP) Financing to be Used for Rental Developments in Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Nicole Impacted Counties

Issued By:

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

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SECTION ONE INTRODUCTION

This Request for Applications (RFA) is open to Applicants proposing the construction of affordable housing utilizing Rental Recovery Loan Program (RRLP) funding for Developments in the following Hurricane impacted counties and based on the available impact criteria and FEMA data:

Tier 1 Counties: Charlotte, Lee, Orange, Sarasota and Volusia

Tier 2 Counties: Collier, DeSoto, Hillsborough, Osceola, Polk and Seminole

Tier 3 Counties: Brevard, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Lake, Manatee, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Putnam and St. Johns

A. RRLP Funding

1. Base Loan Amount

Florida Housing Finance Corporation (the Corporation) expects to offer an estimated \$81,600,000 in funding appropriated by the 2022 Florida Legislature. The Base Loan Amounts are outlined in Section 10 of this agenda.

The RRLP Loan Funding is further outlined in Exhibit H of this RFA.

2. ELI Loan Amount

Applicants that are not committing to the Average Income Test are required to commit 10% of the total units as ELI Set-Aside Units and are eligible for ELI Loan Funding for each of the ELI Units. Applicants that are committing to the Average Income Test are required to commit 15% of the total units as ELI Set-Aside Units and are eligible for ELI Loan Funding for each of the ELI Units up to 10% of the total units. The total RRLP Request Amount is the Base Loan Amount plus the ELI Loan Amount.

The ELI Loan Funding is a forgivable loan as further outlined in Exhibit I of this RFA.

B. Tax-Exempt Bonds and Non-Competitive Housing Credits (Housing Credit)

Proposed Developments located in Brevard, Charlotte, Collier, Flagler, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Saint Johns, Sarasota, Seminole, or Volusia County must (i) consist of a minimum of 50 total units and a maximum of 300 total units; and (ii) request Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits in conjunction with the request for RRLP funding.

Applications of proposed Developments in DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Monroe, Okeechobee, and Putnam County must consist of a minimum of 10 units. If a proposed Development in these counties consists of 50 units or less, the Application is only eligible for RRLP Funding and not Tax-Exempt Bond Financing or Non-Competitive Housing Credits. If a proposed Development in these counties consists of at least 50 units, the Application has a maximum of 300 total units and may request either (i) RRLP Funding only; or (ii) utilize Tax-

Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits in conjunction with the request for RRLP funding.

For Applicants requesting Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits, the Applicant will NOT utilize the Non-Competitive Application Package to apply for (i) Corporation-issued MMRB and the Non-Competitive Housing Credits or (ii) Non-Competitive Housing Credits to be used with Non-Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds (i.e. issued by a Public Housing Authority (established under Chapter 421, F.S.), a County Housing Finance Authority (established pursuant to Section 159.604, F.S.), or a Local Government). Instead, the Applicant is required to apply for the MMRB and/or Housing Credits as a part of its Application for the RRLP funding.

If, prior to the submission of the Applicant's Application in response to this RFA, the Applicant submits or has already submitted a Non-Competitive Application for the Development proposed in this Application, such previous Non-Competitive Application will not be considered and the Applicant will be required to request the Corporation-issued MMRB and/or Non-Competitive Housing Credits as a part of this Application request, as outlined above.

If the proposed Development is not selected for funding or if the Applicant's funding award is rescinded, and the Applicant still wishes to receive the MMRB and/or Non-Competitive Housing Credits, the Applicant will be required to submit a new Application for such funding using the Non-Competitive Application Package that is in effect at that time.

Proposed Developments are not eligible for any funding offered in this RFA if the Applicant has already closed on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the Application Deadline for this RFA. In addition, proposed Developments are not eligible to receive any funding awarded through this RFA if the Applicant closes on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the issuance of the preliminary commitment for funding awarded in this RFA. If the Bonds are closed between the Application Deadline and issuance of the preliminary commitment, the Applicant's award will be rescinded.

The Corporation is soliciting applications from qualified Applicants that commit to provide housing in accordance with the terms and conditions of this RFA, inclusive of all Exhibits, applicable laws, rules and regulations, and the Corporation's generally applicable construction and financial standards.

SECTION TWO DEFINITIONS

Capitalized terms within this RFA shall have the meaning as set forth in this RFA, in Exhibit B, Rule Chapter 67-60, F.A.C., and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C. (effective July 6, 2022), 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 Webpage at <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/2023/2023-304> (also available by clicking [here](#)).

A. Submission Requirements

1. Application Deadline

The Application Deadline is **3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on May 2, 2023.**

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 Webpage:

- (1) The Application/Development Cost Pro Forma (Exhibit A of the RFA); and
- (2) The Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-2019) (“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 documents with a file name that is unique to the specific Application.

b. Creating the All Attachments Document

In addition to the 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.

As described in Section Four, B.2., to be awarded 5 points, bookmark the pdf of the All Attachments Document before uploading. It is not necessary to bookmark the individual documents within the Application Package (e.g. the Exhibit A document or the Principal Disclosure Form). Acrobat Standard DC or Acrobat Pro DC are the programs required to create bookmarks. Note: The Corporation has provided instructions on how to bookmark the Attachments as well as sample pages that may be used to separate the attachments on the RFA Webpage. 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

To upload the Application Package described in 2.a. above:

- a. Go to the RFA Webpage.
- 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 Excel format;
 - (2) 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);
 - (3) The All Attachments Document in a pdf format.

The average file size is 1.0 MB and may take a few minutes to upload. Larger files may take longer to upload. There is a file size limit of 15 MB, but this may 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 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.

For scoring purposes, the Corporation will not consider any documentation beyond the Application Package that is uploaded as described above.

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. Submitting the Application Fee

- a. Application Fee

By the Application Deadline, provide to the Corporation the required non-refundable \$3,000 Application fee, payable to Florida Housing Finance Corporation via check, money order, ACH, or wire transfer.

To ensure that the Application Fee is processed for the correct online Application, the following is ***strongly recommended***: (i) provide the Application Fee at least 48 hours prior to the Application Deadline; (ii) whether paying by check, money order, ACH or wire transfer, include the Development Name, RFA number with the payment; and (iii) if paying by wire, include the Federal Reference Number, or if paying by ACH, include the Trace Number at question B.1 of Exhibit A.

Note: In the event that the online submission is not received, the payment will be refunded.

ACH Instructions:

BANK NAME: Wells Fargo
One Independent Drive, 8th Floor
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

ABA #: 121000248

ACCOUNT NAME: FHFC

ACCOUNT #: 4967822909

Wire Transfer Instructions:

BANK NAME: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
420 MONTGOMERY STREET
SAN FRANCISCO 94104
United States of America (US)

ABA #: 121000248

ACCOUNT NAME: FHFC

ACCOUNT #: 4967822909

Check or Money Order Instructions:

Payable to: Florida Housing Finance Corporation

Mailing Address: Attn: Marisa Button

Florida Housing Finance Corporation
227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 5000
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

5. Assigning Lottery Numbers

After 3:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on the Application Deadline, each Application for which 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.

6. Withdrawing an Application

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. The Corporation 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 via e-mail at RFA_2023-304_Questions@floridahousing.org (also accessible by clicking [here](#)) with "Questions regarding RFA 2023-304" as the subject of the email. All inquiries are due by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on April 10, 2023. 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 April 14, 2023, and will post a copy of all inquiries received, and their answers, on the RFA Webpage. 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. Section 119.071(1)(b)2, Fla. Stat. authorizes the Corporation to exempt this material from disclosure requirements; however, the Corporation intends to post the Applications to the RFA Webpage sooner than 30 days after the Application Deadline.
 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, inclusive of all Exhibits and all provisions of Rule Chapters 67-21, F.A.C., 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.
- To the extent that a modification gives rise to a protest, failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.
- 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 upon completion of the construction work.

A. Exhibit A Items

1. Review of Application

During the Review Committee scoring process, the Corporation (i) may rely on the answers submitted by the Applicant in Exhibit A, the Development Cost Pro Forma, and the Principal

Disclosure Form; and (ii) may, but is not obligated to, review the substance of the documentation that is submitted as Attachments to the Application.

If it is determined that the Attachments do not meet the RFA requirements or the Applicant submitted materially incorrect information in the Application, the Corporation may take any or all of the following actions, even if the Application was not selected for funding, was deemed ineligible, or was withdrawn: deem the Application ineligible, rescind the award, and consider all Principals of the Applicant to have made a material misrepresentation subject to Section 420.518, F.S.

2. Demographic Commitment

Select one of the following Demographic Commitments:

- a. Family – The proposed Development will serve the general population.
- b. Elderly, Non-Assisted Living Facility (“Non-ALF”)

If the Elderly demographic commitment is selected, the Applicant understands, acknowledges and agrees that it will comply with the Federal Fair Housing Act requirements for housing for older persons and rent at least 80 percent of the total units to residents that qualify as older persons pursuant to that Act or as provided under any state or federal program that the Secretary of HUD determines is specifically designed and operated to assist elderly persons (as defined in the state or federal program). Further, the Applicant understands, acknowledges and agrees that all such units are subject to the income restrictions committed to in the Set-Aside Commitment section of this Application.

3. Applicant/Developer/Management Company/Contact Person

The Applicant, Developer(s) and all Principals of the Applicant and Developers that are not a natural person must be a legally formed entity as of the Application Deadline.

- a. Applicant Information
 - (1) State the name of the Applicant.
 - (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. Include, as **Attachment 1** to Exhibit A, evidence from the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, that the Applicant 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.

The Corporation is aware of the May 1st deadline for filing the annual report with the Division of Corporations and will accept a Certificate of Good Standing for the Applicant that reflects an expiration date of December 31 of either the

current year or previous year.

(3) Non-Profit Applicant Qualifications

Indicate whether the Applicant is applying as a Non-Profit and provide the following information for the Non-Profit entity that meets the definition stated in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C. as **Attachment 2**:

- (a) Demonstration of how the Non-Profit entity is materially and substantially participating in the predevelopment, management, and operation of the proposed Development throughout the compliance period, within the meaning of material participation as defined in 26 USC §469, 26 USC §42, by submitting the Executive Director Certification of Non-Profit Entity Material Participation form (Rev. 09-22); and
- (b) Demonstration of Non-Profit entity qualifications
 - (i) The IRS determination letter* demonstrating that the Non-Profit is organized under section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
 - (ii) The articles of incorporation demonstrating that one of the purposes of the Non-Profit entity is to foster low-income housing.

*In the event the Non-Profit entity is subject to a group exemption under the Internal Revenue Code, provide the IRS determination letter for the parent corporation, and the list of exempt entities from the IRS which includes the Non-Profit entity in this Application. If the list of exempt entities has not yet been issued by the IRS, provide a copy of the request from the parent corporation to the IRS requesting group exemption status for the Non-Profit entity named in this Application. The IRS determination letter for the parent corporation must meet the requirements of Section Four, A.3.a.(3)(b)(i) above.

If the Applicant participated in the Non-Profit Advance Review Process through one of the Permanent Supportive Housing RFAs and received, for the Non-Profit Entity, an Executive Director Certification of Non-Profit Entity Qualifications Form (Rev. 10-2021) stamped "Approved" by the Corporation, this form may be submitted in response to this RFA in lieu of the items set forth in (3)(b)(i) and (ii) above.

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. 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.

b. Developer Information

- (1) State the name of each Developer, including all co-Developers.
- (2) Each Developer entity identified (that is not a natural person, Local Government, or Public Housing Authority) 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, Local Government, or Public Housing Authority, provide, as **Attachment 3** 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.

The Corporation is aware of the May 1st deadline for filing the annual report with the Division of Corporations and will accept a Certificate of Good Standing for the Developer(s) that reflects an expiration date of December 31 of either the current year or previous year.

(3) Developer Experience

(a) Required Developer Experience

A natural person Principal of at least one experienced Developer entity, which must be disclosed on the Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-2019) outlined below, must have, since January 1, 2003, completed at least one multifamily rental housing development that consists of a total number of units no less than 50 percent of the total number of units in the proposed Development.

The individual meeting the Developer Experience requirements must be disclosed on the Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-2019) as a Principal of the Developer and must remain with the Development until the release of the operating deficit guarantee set forth in Exhibit H.

For purposes of this provision, completed development means (i) that the temporary or final certificate of occupancy has been issued for at least one unit in one of the residential apartment buildings within the development, or (ii) that at least one IRS Form 8609 has been issued for

one of the residential apartment buildings within the development. As used in this section, a Housing Credit development that contains multiple buildings is a single development regardless of the number of buildings within the development for which an IRS Form 8609 has been issued.

If the experience of a natural person Principal for a Developer entity listed in this Application was acquired from a previous affordable housing Developer entity, the natural person Principal must have also been a Principal of that previous Developer entity as the term Principal was defined by the Corporation at that time.

Required Developer Prior Experience

Complete the prior experience chart for each natural person Principal intending to meet the required Developer experience reflecting the information for the completed multifamily rental housing development.

- (b) Reduction in number of Priority I Application submissions allowed in the Future Corresponding 2024/2025 RFA cycle

Applicants must close on the RRLP funding by the closing deadlines as set forth in Exhibit H of this RFA. If the Application fails to meet these requirements and either requires a closing extension or withdraws from funding, the Principals of the Application will have a reduction of one Priority I Application allowed in the Future Corresponding 2024/2025 RFA cycle, (i.e. RFA 2024 SAIL Financing Of Affordable Multifamily Housing Developments To Be Used In Conjunction With Tax-Exempt Bonds And Non-Competitive Housing Credits).

- c. Principals Disclosure for the Applicant and for each Developer

- (1) Eligibility Requirements

To meet the submission requirements, upload the Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-2019) ("Principals Disclosure Form") as outlined in Section Three above. Prior versions of the Principal Disclosure Form will not be accepted.

To meet eligibility requirements, the Principals Disclosure Form must identify, pursuant to Exhibit H of the RFA and subsections 67-21.002(86), 67-21.0025(7), and 67-21.0025(8), F.A.C., if applicable, the Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) as of the Application Deadline. A Principals Disclosure Form should not include, for any organizational structure, any type of entity that is not specifically included in the Rule definition of Principals. Per Exhibit H of this RFA and 67-21.002(86), F.A.C., any Principal other than a natural person must be a legally formed entity as of the Application deadline.

The investor limited partner of an Applicant limited partnership or the investor member of an Applicant limited liability company (or a placeholder for the investor) must be identified on the Principal Disclosure Form.

(2) Approval during Advance Review Process (5 Points)

Applicants will receive 5 points if the uploaded Principal Disclosure Form is either (a) stamped “Approved” at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline; or (b) stamped “Received” by the Corporation at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline AND stamped “Approved” prior to the Application Deadline.

To document these dates, the Corporation will stamp the Principal Disclosure Form on the date it is received and the date it is approved. If a Principal Disclosure Form has been approved, but the Applicant must change the form for any reason, the form may be edited and resubmitted for approval, but the form will receive a new stamp reflecting the date the Corporation received the revised form. Likewise, if a form is returned to the Applicant for correction, the Applicant may make corrections and resubmit the form, but the date of the resubmission will be reflected as the date received. If a Principal Disclosure Form is submitted for an RFA with a “Received” date that is within 14 Calendar Days of the Application Deadline, the Applicant will not be eligible for the 5 Advance Review points.

The Advance Review Process for Disclosure of Applicant and Developer Principals is available on the RFA Webpage and also includes samples which may assist the Applicant 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) Designation of Priority I and II Applications

Principals of Applications in this RFA ~~that are not subject to the limitations set forth in (i) above~~ are limited to three Priority I Related Application submissions in this RFA.

The Corporation will review the entire Application submission to determine whether the Applicant has submitted more than the maximum number of Priority I Related Applications.

*In the context of a joint venture between a Public Housing Authority (“PHA”) (or an instrumentality of a PHA) and a Developer(s), separate Applicants do not affect one another’s total Related Applications if the only connection is a joint venture between the Developer and a PHA or instrumentality of a PHA. In this situation, the Applicants’ total number of Applications remain independent/autonomous of one another’s Related Applications tally. However, in all circumstances, PHAs,

Applicants, and Developers are still limited to only three Related Applications per entity.

If, during scoring, it is determined that the maximum set forth above was exceeded, all Applications affiliated with the Principals of the affected Applications will be deemed Priority II. If, after awards are made, it is determined that the maximum set forth above was exceeded, the award(s) for the affected Applications will be rescinded and all Principals of the affected Applications may be subject to material misrepresentation, even if the Related Applications were not selected for funding, were deemed ineligible, or were withdrawn.

If no designation is made in Exhibit A, the Application will be considered a Priority II Application. There is no limit to the number of Priority II Applications that can be submitted.

(4) — Material and non-material changes to the Applicant entity or Developer entity

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

(b) Changes to the Applicant entity

The Applicant entity shall be the recipient of the Housing Credits, and the borrowing entity for the loan(s) and, if applicable, the MMRB loan, and may only change as follows: Prior to loan closing, any change (materially or non-materially) in the ownership structure of the named Applicant will require review and recommendation of the Corporation, as well as Board approval prior to the change. After loan closing, (i) any material* change will require review and recommendation of the Credit Underwriter, as well as approval of the Board prior to the change, and (ii) any non-material* change will require Corporation approval prior to the change. Changes to the Applicant entity (material or non-material*) without Board or Corporation approval, as applicable, may result in disqualification from receiving funding and may be deemed a material misrepresentation. The Applicant must comply with Principal disclosure requirements outlined in Exhibit H of the RFA and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C. for the duration of the Compliance Period. Changes to 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; however, if a change to the investor limited partner or investor member is made after the closing of the partnership agreement, the amended agreement reflecting the change must be provided to the Corporation. Changes to the officers or directors of a Public Housing Authority or a non-profit

entity, regardless of when they occur, will not result in disqualification; however, the change must be approved by the Corporation. Any allowable replacement to the natural person Principals of a Public Housing Authority or officers and/or directors of a non-profit entity will apply to all preliminarily awarded Applications and Applications pending final Board action that include the Public Housing Authority or non-profit entity.

*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.

- (c) The Principals of each Developer identified in the Application, including all co-Developers, may be changed only by written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting.

d. General Management Company Information

Identify the Management Company and complete the prior experience chart for the Management Company or a principal of Management Company demonstrating 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. Note: The Management Company contact person identified in Exhibit A is not required to be the Principal of the Management Company identified in the Prior General Management Experience Chart.

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 section of Exhibit A; and (d) 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

The proposed Development must be 100 percent new construction. All units must consist entirely of new construction units and the entire Development must be creating new affordable units. Demolition of an occupied, existing residential structure is allowed if the following criteria below are met:

~~(1) — Large Increase in the number of total units~~

~~To qualify, all of the following must be met:~~

- The proposed Development is located in a Tier 1 County;
- The number of units in the occupied, existing residential structure must be stated in Exhibit A; and
- The difference between the number of units in the occupied, existing residential structure and the number of units in the proposed Development must represent an increase of at least 50 percent.

~~(2) — The existing development sustained Substantial Damage from Hurricanes Ian and/or Hurricane Nicole~~

~~To qualify, all of the following must be met:~~

- ~~The proposed Development is located in a Tier 1 County;~~
- ~~A damage report was filed for the occupied, existing residential structure through FEMA on or before December 31, 2022;~~
- ~~The damage report claim was substantiated by FEMA and determined to be Substantial Damage by FEMA on or before the Application Deadline; and~~
- ~~The number of units in the occupied, existing residential structure must be stated in Exhibit A; and~~
- ~~The difference between the number of units in the occupied, existing residential structure and the number of units in the proposed Development must represent an increase of at least 25 percent.~~

- c. Characteristics of Development

(1) 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.

- Garden Apartments (a building comprised of 1, 2 or 3 stories, with or without an elevator)
- Duplexes
- Quadraplexes
- Townhouses
- Mid-Rise, 4-stories (a building comprised of 4 stories and each residential building must have at least one elevator)
- Mid-Rise, 5 to 6-stories (a building comprised of 5 or 6 stories and each residential building must have at least one elevator)
- High-Rise (a building comprised of 7 or more stories and each residential building must have at least one elevator)

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, commercial, parking, utility, or residential.

Note: Any dwelling unit that consists of more than one story, (e.g. Townhouse), is prohibited for Elderly Set-Aside Units. A residential building that consists of more than one story is not prohibited for Elderly Set-Aside Units if there is a minimum of one elevator per residential building provided for all Elderly Set-Aside Units that are located on a floor higher than the first floor.

Also, Group homes, Assisted Living Facilities, and other specialized licensed residential facilities, or units within a condominium complex are not eligible for funding in this RFA.

(2) Enhanced Structural Systems (“ESS”) Construction Qualifications

To qualify as “Enhanced Structural Systems Construction” or “ESS Construction” for purposes of the Total Development Cost Limitation calculation and the Leveraging calculation, the proposed Development must meet at least one of the specifications listed below.

- (a) Any buildings with the Development Type of High-Rise (7 or more stories) shall qualify as “ESS Construction.”
- (b) 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.
- (c) Any buildings with the Development Type of Mid-Rise (4, 5 or 6 story) that utilize a ESS Podium Structure shall qualify as “ESS Construction.”

New construction buildings of other Development Types that utilize a ESS Podium Structure must meet the requirements in (b) above in order to qualify as “ESS Construction.” In this event, the top surface of the podium itself shall be considered to be the floor of the lowest story of the building that contains residential, commercial or storage space (other than parking).

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

The term “ESS Podium Structure” shall mean a non-residential support structure underneath the rental units constructed solely of concrete/masonry, steel, or some combination of concrete/masonry and steel together, and where said structure under the rental units must utilize at least 85 percent of the square footage for parking or non-commercial utility/ancillary building uses only. Up to 15 percent of the square footage can be used for other non-residential purposes.

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 (a), (b), or (c) above.

ESS units must be designated on the Unit Characteristic Chart described below. This will be verified during the credit underwriting process. If this cannot be verified the units will no longer be considered ESS Construction, and funding awarded under this RFA may be rescinded.

d. Unit Characteristic Chart

Complete the chart in Exhibit A of the RFA reflecting the appropriate breakdown reflecting the number of units within each of the Development Categories, Development Types, or ESS/non-ESS Construction.

5. Location of Proposed Development

a. Indicate the county where the proposed Development will be located.

Tier	Small Counties	Medium Counties	Large Counties
Tier 1	None	Charlotte, Lee, Sarasota, Volusia	Orange
Tier 2	DeSoto	Collier, Osceola, Polk, Seminole	Hillsborough
Tier 3	Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Monroe, Okeechobee, Putnam	Brevard, Flagler, Highlands, Lake, Manatee, Pasco, St. Johns	Palm Beach, Pinellas

b. Provide the Address of the Development site

Indicate (1) the address number, street name, and name of city, and/or (2) 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) For Developments located in a county other than Monroe County, 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. For Developments located in Monroe County, a part of the boundary of each Scattered Site must be located within 20 miles 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

- (1) Provide a Development Location Point stated in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place. If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, as of Application Deadline the Development Location Point must affirmatively be established on the site with the most units, as outlined in subsection 67-21.002, F.A.C., and latitude and longitude coordinates for each Scattered Site must also be provided.
- (2) If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, for each Scattered Site that is in addition to the Development Location Point information provided in (1) above, provide the latitude and longitude coordinates of one point located anywhere on the Scattered Site. The coordinates must be stated in decimal degrees and 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. Proximity Tiebreakers used in Funding Selection Process

The Application may earn proximity points based on the distance between the Development Location Point and the Bus or Rail Transit Service (if Private Transportation is not selected at question 5.e.(2)(a) of Exhibit A) and the Community Services stated in Exhibit A. Proximity points are awarded according to the Transit and Community Service Scoring Charts outlined in Item 2 of Exhibit C. Proximity points will not be applied

towards the total score. There is no minimum eligibility requirement for transit points or total proximity score in this RFA. Application may still be eligible for funding even if the Application achieved zero proximity points. Proximity points will only be used to determine whether the Applicant meets the Proximity Funding Preference outlined in the chart below.

Application Qualifications	Minimum Total Proximity Points that Must be Achieved to Receive the Proximity Funding Preference
Large County Application	12.5 or more
Medium County Application	9.0 or more
Small County Application	6.0 or more

Awarding Proximity Points

The Application may earn proximity points through the following:

- Qualifying for the PHA Proximity Point Boost or the RD 515 Proximity Point Boost;
- Providing private transportation or based on the distance between the Development Location Point and the Bus or Rail Transit Service; and
- Based on the distance between the Development Location Point and the Community Services.

(1) PHA or RD 515 Proximity Point Boost

(a) PHA Proximity Point Boost

An Application that involves a site(s) with an existing Declaration of Trust between a Public Housing Authority (PHA) and HUD will qualify to receive a 3-point boost toward its proximity score if the Applicant states that it qualifies and provides a letter from the PHA dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline certifying that the site(s) where all of the units in the proposed Development will be located has an existing Declaration of Trust between the PHA and HUD. The letter must be signed by the appropriate person authorized to make such a certification and must be provided as **Attachment 5** to Exhibit A.

or

(b) RD 515 Proximity Point Boost

An Application that involves property that is currently assisted with RD 515 funding will qualify to receive a 3-point boost toward its proximity score if the Applicant demonstrates RD 515 funding as outlined in Section Four A.10.b.(1) of the RFA and the Applicant selected the Development Category of Rehabilitation or Redevelopment, with or without Acquisition.

(2) Transit Services (Maximum of 6 points)

Select Private Transportation or provide the location information for one of the remaining four Transit Services to achieve Proximity Points to use for calculating the Application's Proximity Score. The Transit Service Scoring Charts, reflecting the methodology for calculating the points awarded based on the distances, are outlined in Exhibit C.

Location of coordinates for Transit Services

To receive proximity points for Transit Services other than Private Transportation, provide latitude and longitude coordinates for that service, stated in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place, and the distance between the Development Location point and the coordinates for the service. The distances between the Development Location Point and the latitude and longitude coordinates for each service will be the basis for awarding proximity points.

For a Public Bus Stop, Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop, Public Bus Transfer Stop, and Rail Station, coordinates must represent the location where passengers may embark and disembark the bus or train.

(a) Private Transportation (2 Points)

This service is defined in Exhibit B and may be selected only if the Applicant selected the Elderly (ALF or Non-ALF) Demographic Commitment.

or

(b) Public Bus Stop (Maximum 6 Points)

(i) This service is defined in Exhibit B and may be selected by all Applicants.

(ii) Each Public Bus Stop must meet the definition of Public Bus Stop as defined in Exhibit B. Each Public Bus Stop, except for Sister Stops, must serve at least one unique route. Up to two of the selected Public Bus Stops may be Sister Stops as defined in Exhibit B.

or

(c) Public Bus Transfer Stop (Maximum 6 Points)

This service is defined in Exhibit B and may be selected by all Applicants.

or

(d) Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop (Maximum 6 Points)

This service is defined in Exhibit B and may be selected by all Applicants.

or

(e) Public Rail Station (Maximum 6 Points)

This service is defined in Exhibit B and may be selected by all Applicants.

(3) Community Services (Up to three Community Services may be selected, for a maximum 4 Points for each service)

The Community Services that are available to all Demographics are Grocery Store, Medical Facility, Pharmacy, and Public School.

Up to three Community Services may be selected, for a maximum 4 Points for each service. If all four Community Services are selected, the Corporation will only award points for the three Community Services that are closest to the Development Location Point based on the distance stated in Exhibit A, even if the service that is furthest from the Development Location Point would have achieved a higher point value. In the event that the two Community Services that are furthest from the Development Location Point have an equal distance, the Corporation will select the service that is listed higher on the Community Service chart in Exhibit A. Under no circumstance will the fourth service be considered for points, even if during the litigation process, one of the Community Services is determined to not qualify for proximity points.

Provide the location information and distances for Community Services on which to base the Application's Community Services Score. The Community Service Scoring Charts, which reflect the methodology for calculating the points awarded based on the distances, are outlined in Exhibit C.

The distance between the Development Location Point and each Community Service must be calculated from a point that is on the doorway threshold of an exterior entrance that provides direct public access to the building where the service is located. If there is no exterior public entrance to the Community Service, then a point should be used that is at the exterior entrance doorway threshold that is the closest walking distance to the doorway threshold of the interior public entrance to the service. For a Pharmacy located within an enclosed shopping mall structure that does not have a direct public exterior entrance, the doorway threshold of the exterior public entrance to the enclosed shopping mall that provide the shortest walking distance to the doorway threshold of the interior entrance to the Pharmacy would be used.

Applicants may use the same location for the Grocery Store, Medical Facility and/or Pharmacy if the Grocery Store, Medical Facility and/or Pharmacy is housed at the same location.

(4) Scoring Proximity to Services (Transit and Community)

(a) Private Transportation

Applicants that selected the Elderly (ALF or Non-ALF) Demographic Commitment and wish to provide Private Transportation as the Transit Service must select “Yes” at question 5.e.(2)(a) of Exhibit A to be eligible to receive 2 points.

(b) Bus and Rail Transit Services

Applicants that wish to receive proximity points for Transit Services other than Private Transportation must provide latitude and longitude coordinates for that service, stated in decimal degrees, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place, and the distance between the Development Location Point and the coordinates for the service. The distances between the Development Location Point and the latitude and longitude coordinates for each service will be the basis for awarding proximity points. The method used to determine the latitude and longitude coordinates must conform to Rule 5J-17, F.A.C., formerly 61G17-6, F.A.C. All calculations shall be based on “WGS 84” and be grid distances. The horizontal positions shall be collected to meet sub-meter accuracy (no autonomous hand-held GPS units shall be used). Failure to provide the distance for any service will result in zero points for that service. The Transit and Community Service Scoring Charts reflecting the methodology for calculating the points awarded based on the distances are in Exhibit C.

(c) Community Services

Applicants that wish to receive proximity points for any community service must provide the name and address for that service, and the distance between the Development Location Point and the location for the service. The distances between the Development Location Point and the doorway threshold for each service will be the basis for awarding proximity points. The method used to determine the latitude and longitude coordinates must conform to Rule 5J-17, F.A.C., formerly 61G17-6, F.A.C. All calculations shall be based on “WGS 84” and be grid distances. The horizontal positions shall be collected to meet sub-meter accuracy (no autonomous hand-held GPS units shall be used). Failure to provide the distance for any service will result in zero points for that service. The Transit and Community Service Scoring Charts reflecting the methodology for calculating the points awarded based on the distances are in Exhibit C.

6. Number of Units and Buildings

- a. State the total number of units that will be in the proposed Development upon completion.

Proposed Developments located in Brevard, Charlotte, Collier, Flagler, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Saint Johns, Sarasota, Seminole, or Volusia County must (i) consist of a minimum of 50 total units and a maximum of 300 total units; and (ii) request Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits in conjunction with the request for RRLP funding.

Applications of proposed Developments in DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Monroe, Okeechobee, and Putnam County must consist of a minimum of 10 units. If a proposed Development in these counties consists of 50 units or less, the Application is only eligible for RRLP Funding and not Tax-Exempt Bond Financing or Non-Competitive Housing Credits. If a proposed Development in these counties consists of at least 50 units, the Application has a maximum of 300 total units and may request either (i) RRLP Funding only; or (ii) utilize Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits in conjunction with the request for RRLP funding.

The total units include all Set-Aside Units, Manager Units as described in Rule Chapter 67-53, F.A.C., and if applicable, market rate units.

Note: The total number of units stated in the Application may be increased, up to any applicable allowable limit, after the Applicant has been invited to enter into credit underwriting if the number of HOME-Assisted units required by HUD will still be met, subject to written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation.

b. Occupied Units

If there are existing occupied units and if the Development is funded, a plan for relocation of existing tenants will be required to be provided to the Credit Underwriter, as outlined in Exhibit D.

c. Set-Aside Commitments

(1) Minimum Set-Aside Commitments per Section 42 of the IRC for proposed Developments that are requesting MMRB or local bonds with Non-Competitive Housing Credits

Per Section 42 of the IRC, elect one of the following minimum set-aside commitments:

- 20% of the units at 50% or less of the Area Median Income (AMI)
- 40% of the units at 60% or less of the AMI
- Average Income Test

Note: Choosing the 20 percent at 50 percent AMI or less minimum set-aside will restrict ALL Set-Aside Units at 50 percent or less of the AMI. Applicants may select the 40 percent at 60 percent AMI or less minimum set-aside without committing to set aside any of the units at the 60 percent AMI level. For

example, an Applicant may commit to set aside 40 percent at 50 percent AMI and this would also be considered 40 percent at 60 percent AMI or less.

The Average Income Test requires that (a) forty percent or more of the residential units in the Development be both rent-restricted and occupied by individuals whose income does not exceed the imputed income limitation designated by the Applicant with respect to the respective unit, subject to the special rules relating to income limitation which (b) require the Applicant to designate the imputed income limitation of each unit taken into account under (a) above, such that the average of the imputed income limitations of all units designated by the Applicant shall not exceed 60 percent of the area median income. The designated imputed income limitation of any such unit shall be in 10-percent increments as follows: 20 percent, 30 percent, 40 percent, 50 percent, 60 percent, 70 percent, or 80 percent of the area median income. The set-aside commitment for the Tax-Exempt Bonds will be 40 percent of the units at 60 percent or less of the AMI.

(2) **Set-Aside Commitments per Corporation Requirements – for all Applications**

The Corporation has additional minimum set-aside requirements beyond those required by Section 42 of the IRC which must be reflected on the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart, as outlined below:

(a) **Total Income Set-Aside Commitment**

For proposed Developments that are requesting MMRB or local bonds with Non-Competitive Housing Credits and select the Average Income Test, set aside a total of at least 80 percent of the Development's total units at 80 percent AMI or less, but the Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units* cannot exceed 60 percent.

For all other Applications, set aside a total of at least 80 percent of the Development's total units at 60 percent AMI or less.

*The Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units is further described in (3)(b) below.

(b) **Extremely Low Income (ELI) Set-Aside Units**

The proposed Development must set aside a required percentage of total units for ELI Households.

For proposed Developments that are requesting Tax-Exempt Bonds with Non-Competitive Housing Credits and select the Average Income Test, the proposed Development must set aside at least 15 percent of total units for ELI Households and the ELI AMI level will be 30%, regardless of county.

For all other Applications, the proposed Development must set aside at least 10 percent of total units for ELI Households. The requirement to set aside units for ELI Households refers to the ELI Area Median Income (AMI) level for the county where the proposed Development is located, as outlined on the chart below.

All Applicants are eligible for ELI Loan funding for the required ELI Set-Aside units, not to exceed 10 percent of the total units, as further outlined in Section Four A.10.a.(1)(b) of the RFA.

If the Set-Aside Breakdown Chart reflects more than the applicable required percentage of the total units at the ELI AMI level for the county where the proposed Development is located, 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 ELI level. Any such reduction in the ELI Set-Aside units would be no lower than the applicable required ELI Set-Aside percentage.

ELI County Chart

County	ELI %
Alachua	33%
Baker	33%
Bay	35%
Bradford	40%
Brevard	33%
Broward	30%
Calhoun	40%
Charlotte	40%
Citrus	40%
Clay	33%
Collier	28%
Columbia	40%
DeSoto	40%
Dixie	40%
Duval	33%
Escambia	35%
Flagler	35%
Franklin	40%
Gadsden	33%
Gilchrist	33%
Glades	40%
Gulf	40%
Hamilton	40%

County	ELI %
Hardee	40%
Hendry	40%
Hernando	33%
Highlands	40%
Hillsborough	33%
Holmes	40%
Indian River	33%
Jackson	40%
Jefferson	33%
Lafayette	40%
Lake	33%
Lee	33%
Leon	33%
Levy	40%
Liberty	40%
Madison	40%
Manatee	33%
Marion	40%
Martin	33%
Miami-Dade	28%
Monroe	28%
Nassau	33%

County	ELI %
Okaloosa	30%
Okeechobee	40%
Orange	33%
Osceola	33%
Palm Beach	30%
Pasco	33%
Pinellas	33%
Polk	40%
Putnam	40%
Saint Johns	33%
Saint Lucie	33%
Santa Rosa	35%
Sarasota	33%
Seminole	33%
Sumter	35%
Suwannee	40%
Taylor	40%
Union	40%
Volusia	40%
Wakulla	33%
Walton	35%
Washington	40%

The ELI Loan Funding is a forgivable loan as further outlined in Exhibit I of this RFA.

(c) Link Units for Persons with Special Needs

With the exception of Developments financed with HUD Section 811, a United States Department of Agriculture RD program (“USDA RD”), and Applicants that select the Elderly ALF Demographic Commitment, Applicants must commit to set aside 50 percent of all of the units that are set aside below 50 percent AMI 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 under the Quick Links section at <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/special-needs-housing-overview/serving-special-needs> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)). The owner must execute a Link Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with at least one of the Special Needs Household Referral Agencies serving the Development’s county. The deadline for the Corporation’s approval of the fully executed Link MOU is outlined in Exhibit D.

For example, Application A consists of 107 total units, but did not commit to Average Income Test. 11 units, (10 percent of the total units, rounded up), must be set-aside as ELI Set-Aside units. Six of the ELI Set-Aside units (50 percent of the ELI Set-Aside units, rounded up), must be set-aside as Link Units for Persons with Special Needs.

In another example, an Applicant submits Application B, which consists of 106 total units, and commits to the Average Income Test. 16 units, (15 percent of the total units, rounded up), must be set-aside as ELI Set-Aside units. Eight of the ELI Set-Aside units (50 percent of the ELI Set-Aside units, rounded up), must be set-aside as Link Units for Persons with Special Needs.

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

(d) Tenant Selection Plan

Unless the Development meets an exception outlined in (i) below, a Tenant Selection Plan must be submitted to the Corporation for approval within 21 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting. The Tenant Selection Plan must be approved by

the Corporation and, if required, HUD prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report.

(i) Exceptions to Tenant Selection Plan requirements

- Developments financed with HUD Section 811;
- Developments financed with a United States Department of Agriculture RD program; or
- Applicants that select the Elderly ALF Demographic Commitment.

All other Applications must achieve Corporation approval and, if required, HUD approval prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report.

(ii) Achieving Corporation approval

To achieve approval by the Corporation, the Tenant Selection Plan must be submitted by the owner to the Corporation for approval within 21 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

The Tenant Selection Plan Guidelines and Tenant Selection Plan Checklist can be found on the webpage

<https://www.floridahousing.org/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive> (also available by clicking [here](#)). Exhibit G of the RFA also describes requirements for tenant selection policies.

(iii) Achieving HUD approval, if required

In addition to the Corporation's approval, if HUD approval is required because a Development has a Housing Assistance Payment and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD, HUD approval of the Tenant Selection Plan must be demonstrated to the Corporation prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report.

HUD's approval process may take several months. Owner's should send the Corporation-approved Tenant Selection Plan to HUD for approval as soon as possible to meet this requirement.

(3) Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart

Complete the applicable Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart provided in question 6.c.(2) of Exhibit A.

- (a) Completing the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart if not committing to the Average Income Test

Indicate on the chart at 6.c.(2)(a) of Exhibit A the percentage of residential units, stated in whole numbers, to be set aside at each selected AMI level for RRLP chart, and if applicable, the Housing Credit chart. If the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart reflects that either the Total Set-Aside Percentage or the ELI commitment does not meet the Set-Aside requirements, this Application will not be eligible for funding. If applicable, the MMRB chart will populate automatically to reflect 40 percent of the units at 60 percent AMI because the Average Income Test does not apply to the separate tax-exempt bond set aside requirements under Section 142 of the IRC.

Note: Although there are three Total Set-Aside Breakdown Charts which allows Applicants to have different commitments for the different programs, the most restrictive commitment will be enforced.

Methodology Used by the Corporation to Convert the Percentage of Total Units to Set-Aside Units and, if applicable, Market Rate Units

- (i) First, calculate of the number of Set-Aside Units for the lowest AMI level commitment.

The percentage associated with the lowest AMI level that the Applicant commits to will be multiplied by the total units, rounded up to the next whole unit. The result will be the number of Set-Aside Units at the lowest AMI level commitment.

- (ii) Then, calculate the number of Set-Aside Units for the second lowest AMI level.

The percentage associated with the second lowest AMI level that the Applicant commits to will be first added to the percentage associated with the lowest AMI level commitment. These percentages, added together, will be multiplied by the total units, rounded up to the next whole unit.

The number of units calculated in (i) above will be subtracted from the result to calculate the number of Set-Aside Units at the second lowest AMI level commitment.

- (iii) Then, calculate the number of Set-Aside Units for each remaining AMI level, if applicable.

Starting with the third lowest AMI level remaining, the number of Set-Aside Units for each of the remaining AMI levels will be calculated using the same methodology described in (ii) above.

- (iv) Finally, calculate market-rate units, if applicable

To calculate the number of market-rate units, the total number of Set-Aside Units will be subtracted from the total number of units.

- (b) Completing the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart if committing to the Average Income Test

If committing to the Average Income Test, Applicants must indicate on the chart at 6.c.(2)(b) of Exhibit A the number of Set-Aside Units, stated in whole numbers, to be set aside at each selected AMI level.

The Corporation will verify that the number of units set aside at the ELI level meets the ELI minimum requirements by dividing the number of units that are set-aside at 30 percent AMI, or less, by the total number of units. The Corporation will also verify the overall Set-Aside Commitment of all units by adding all Set-Aside Units and then dividing this sum by the total number of units. Exhibit A provides a calculation of the Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units using the methodology below.

Note: After entering the number of units into Exhibit A, the percentage of total units is calculated, which may reflect numbers represented with decimal places instead of whole numbers. This is acceptable for the Average Income Test calculation.

If the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart reflects that the Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units exceeds 60 percent, and/or if the number of Set-Aside Units set aside at 30 percent AMI, or less, is not equal to or greater than the required ELI commitment, and/or the overall Set-Aside Commitment requirement is not met, this Application will not be eligible for funding.

Calculation of the Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units for the Average Income Test

- (i) First, state the total number of Set-Aside Units at each AMI commitment.
- (ii) Then, at each AMI commitment, multiply the number of Set-Aside Units by the AMI percentage (e.g., a commitment of 13 Set-Aside Units at 30 percent AMI would be calculated as follows: $13 \times 0.30 = 3.9$).
- (iii) Repeat this calculation at each AMI level. Then add the results together.
- (iv) Divide the number calculated in (iii) by the total number of Set-Aside Units stated in (i).

- (v) This number must be equal to or less than 60 percent to meet the eligibility requirement. If the Average AMI of the Qualifying Housing Credit Units exceeds 60 percent, this Application will not be eligible for funding.

Where reasonably possible, keep the unit mix consistent across each committed AMI level.

The above ELI and all other set-aside commitments must be taken into account during any pre-leasing and leasing activities.

d. Unit Mix

(1) Completing the Unit Mix Chart

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) and the total number of units per bedroom type. All units in the proposed Development must be listed, including all manager/employee units and all market rate units, if applicable. All units in the proposed Development must be listed, including all manager/employee units and all market rate units, if applicable. Units may have no more than four bedrooms.

If additional space is required, enter the information in the Addenda. Note: If the ELI Set-Aside units are not proportionally distributed across the unit mix, the Corporation will redistribute the ELI Set-Aside units as needed.

(2) Unit Mix requirements

- (a) If the Elderly Demographic Commitment is selected, at least 50 percent of the total units must be comprised of one bedroom or Zero Bedroom Units, and no more than 15 percent of the total units can be larger than two bedroom units.
- (b) If the Family Demographic Commitment is selected, not more than 25 percent of the total units in the Development may consist of Zero Bedroom units.

e. Number of Buildings

State the anticipated number of residential buildings.

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

f. Compliance Period

All Applicants are required to set aside the units for 50 years.

In submitting its Application, the Applicant knowingly, voluntarily and irrevocably commit to waive, and do hereby waive, for the duration of the 50-year set aside period, the option to convert the Development to market rate, including any option or right to submit a request for a qualified contract, after year 14, and any other option, right or process available to the Applicant to terminate (or that would result in the termination of) the 50-year set aside period at any time prior to the expiration of its full term.

Demographic Commitments: 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.

After year 15 the ELI Set-Aside units may convert to 60 percent AMI; however, the Persons with Special Needs set-aside commitment must be maintained throughout the entire Compliance Period.

Although the percentage of units committed to must remain in effect for the entire Compliance Period, the particular units designated for the Demographic Commitment and AMI commitment must not be limited to the same units throughout the Compliance Period. Doing so may cause the Development to be in noncompliance.

7. Readiness to Proceed

a. Site Control

Demonstrate site control by providing, as **Attachment 6*** to Exhibit A, 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.

Note: The Corporation has no authority to, and will not, evaluate the validity or enforceability of any site control documentation.

- (1) An eligible contract must meet all of the following conditions:
 - (a) It must have a term that does not expire before November 30, 2023 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 November 30, 2023;
 - (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) and (b) above.
- (2) Proof of Ownership through a recorded document such as a Deed or Certificate of Title – The documentation must be recorded in the county in which the property is located and show the Applicant as the sole Grantee.
 - (3) Lease
 - (a) If providing a 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.
 - (b) If there is an existing Declaration of Trust recorded on the subject property, the Applicant may provide an Option to Enter into a Ground Lease Agreement ("eligible agreement") between the Applicant and the owner of the property. An eligible agreement must meet the following conditions:
 - (i) It must have a term that does not expire before November 30, 2023 or that contains extension options exercisable by the Applicant and conditioned solely upon payment of additional monies which, if exercised, would extend the term to a date that is not earlier than November 30, 2023;
 - (ii) The Applicant must be a party to the eligible agreement unless there is an assignment of the eligible agreement, signed by the assignor and the assignee, which assigns all of the lessor's rights, title and interests in the eligible agreement to the Applicant; and
 - (iii) The owner of the subject property must be a party to the eligible agreement, 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 lease the property to the lessor. Any intermediate agreement must meet the criteria for an eligible agreement in (i) and (ii) above.

b. Ability to Proceed

Applications will be required to 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 Webpage. 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. 07-2022, (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 7** 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. 07-2022); or
- (b) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Local Government Verification that Permits are Not Required for this Development form (Form Rev. 07-2022).

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 Water.** Demonstrate that as of the Application Deadline water is available to the entire proposed Development site by providing as **Attachment 8** to Exhibit A:

- (a) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure – Water form (Form Rev. 07-2022); or
- (b) Documentation 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 documentation 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 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 9** 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. 07-2022); or
 - (b) Documentation from the waste treatment service provider that contains the Development location, the number of units, and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The documentation 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) **Status of Site Plan/Plat Approval**
- Demonstrate the status of site plan or plat approval as of the Application Deadline, for the entire proposed Development site, by providing, as **Attachment 10** to Exhibit A, the applicable properly completed and executed verification form:
- (a) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Local Government Verification of Status of Site Plan Approval for Multifamily Developments form (Form Rev. 07-2022); or
 - (b) The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Local Government Verification of Status of Plat Approval for Residential Rental Developments form (Form Rev. 07-2022).
- (5) **Environmental Site Assessment**
- Demonstrate that a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), and if required or recommended, a Phase II ESA, have been performed on or before the Application Deadline for the entire proposed Development site by providing the applicable properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Environmental Safety – Phase I Site Assessment form (Form Rev. 07-2022), and if required or recommended, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Environmental Safety – Phase II Site Assessment form, as **Attachment 11** to Exhibit A.

If the proposed Development consists of Scattered Sites, the Applicant must provide the appropriate evidence that a Phase I ESA and, if applicable, a Phase II ESA, has been performed for all of the Scattered Sites.

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.

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 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.

The above documents are available on the RFA Webpage.

*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. All of the accessible units must be equally distributed among different unit sizes and Development types and must be dispersed on all accessible routes throughout the Development.

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.

b. General Features

- (1) 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;
- 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 or commercial grade 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;
 - At least one washing machine and one dryer shall be front loading that meets the accessibility standards of Section 504;
 - 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 non-Elderly units;
- Elderly Developments must have a minimum of one elevator per residential building provided for all Elderly Set-Aside Units that are located on a floor higher than the first floor; and
- Full-size range and oven in all units.

c. Required Accessibility Features, regardless of the age of the Development

Federal and state law and building code regulations requires that programs, activities, and facilities be readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. The Corporation 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) whichever 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.

- (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) In addition to the 5 percent mobility requirement outlined above, all Family Demographic Developments must provide reinforced walls for future installation of horizontal grab bars in place around each tub/shower and toilet, 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.
- 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 and toilet, 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.
- (3) Accessibility Features in all Developments with the Elderly (ALF or Non-ALF) Demographic must also provide the following features:
- 20 percent of the units must have roll-in showers.
 - Horizontal grab bars in place around each tub and/or 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 609. In addition, the following standards for grab bars are required:
 - If a bathtub/shower combination with a permanent seat is provided, grab bars shall be installed to meet or exceed the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, Section 607.4.1.

- If a bathtub/shower combination without a permanent seat is provided, grab bars shall be installed to meet or exceed the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, Section 607.4.2.
 - If a roll-in shower is provided, grab bars shall be installed to meet or exceed the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, Section 608.3.2;
 - Reinforced walls for future installation of horizontal grab bars in place around each toilet, 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;
 - All bathrooms in all units must have vanity cabinets with at least one roll-out shelf or drawer in bottom of cabinet.;
 - Adjustable shelving in master bedroom closets (must be adjustable by resident); and
 - In one of the kitchen's base cabinets, there shall be a large bottom drawer that opens beyond full extension, also referred to as an "over-travel feature." Drawers with the over-travel feature allow drawers to extend completely past the cabinet front so all the contents can be accessed. The drawer shall be deep and wide enough to store pots and pans and the drawer slides shall have a weight load rating of a minimum of 100 pounds. The drawers shall be mounted on a pair of metal side rails that are ball-bearing.
- d. Required Green Building Features in all Developments

- (1) All units and, as applicable, all common areas 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 = 0.95 EF or 0.92 UEF; or
 - More than 55 gallons = Energy Star certified; or

- Tankless = 0.97 EF and Max GPM of ≥ 2.5 over a 77° rise or 0.87 UEF and GPM of ≥ 2.9 over a 67° rise;
 - 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 and living rooms;
- Air Conditioning (in-unit or commercial):
- Air-Source Heat Pumps – Energy Star certified:
 - ≥ 7.8 HSPF/ ≥ 15.2 SEER2/ ≥ 11.7 EER for split systems
 - ≥ 7.2 HSPF ≥ 15.2 SEER2/ ≥ 10.6 EER for single package equipment including gas/electric package units
- Central Air Conditioners – Energy Star certified:
 - ≥ 15.2 SEER/ ≥ 12.0 EER2 for split systems
 - ≥ 15.2 SEER/ ≥ 11.5 EER2* 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 one-bedroom units.

- (2) In addition to the required Green Building features outlined in (1) above, proposed Developments must select one of the following Green Building Certification programs: Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED); Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC); Enterprise Green Communities; 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.

a. Family Demographic Commitment

If the Family Demographic is selected, provide at least three of the resident programs outlined below. The eligible resident programs which may be selected are as follows:

(1) 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. Activities must be on-site.

(2) 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 on-site. 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 Development consists of Scattered Sites, this resident program must be provided on the Scattered Site with the most units.

(3) 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.

If the training is not provided on-site, transportation at no cost to the resident must be provided. Electronic media, if used, must be used in conjunction with live instruction.

(4) 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.

(5) 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 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.

- (6) Homeownership Opportunity Program - Applicant commits to provide a financial incentive which includes the following provisions:
- The incentive must be applicable to the home selected and may not be restricted to or enhanced by the purchase of a home in which the Applicant, Developer, or other related party has an interest;
 - the incentive must be not less than 5 percent of the rent received by the owner for the unit during the entire occupancy by the household (Note: The incentive will be paid for all months for which the household is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the lease. Damages to the unit in excess of the security deposit will be deducted from the incentive.);
 - the benefit must be in the form of a gift or grant and may not be a loan of any nature;
 - the benefits of the incentive must accrue from the beginning of occupancy;
 - the vesting period can be no longer than 2 years of continuous residency; and
 - no fee, deposit or any other such charge can be levied against the household as a condition of participation in this program.

b. Elderly Demographic Commitment

- (1) Required Resident Program for all Applicants that select the Elderly Demographic

24 Hour Support to Assist Residents In Handling Urgent Issues

An important aging in place best practice is providing the residents access to property management support 24 hours per day, 7 days a week to assist them to appropriately and efficiently handle urgent issues or incidents that may arise. These issues may include, but are not limited to, an apartment maintenance emergency, security or safety concern, or a health risk incident in their apartment or on the property. The management's assistance will include a 24/7 approach to receiving residents' requests for assistance that will include a formal written process for relevant property management staff to effectively assess and provide assistance for each request.

This assistance may include staff:

- visiting or coordinating a visit to a resident's apartment to address an urgent maintenance issue;
- responding to a resident being locked out of their apartment;
- contacting on-site security or the police to address a concern;
- providing contact information to the resident and directing or making calls on a resident's behalf to appropriate community-based emergency services or related resources to address an urgent health risk incident;
- calling the resident's informal emergency contact; or
- addressing a resident's urgent concern about another resident.

Property management staff shall be on site at least 8 hours daily, but the 24-hour support approach may include contracted services or technology to assist the management in meeting this commitment, if these methods adequately address the intent of this service. The Development's owner and/or designated property management entity shall develop and implement policies and procedures for staff to immediately receive and handle a resident's call and assess the call based on a resident's request and/or need.

At a minimum, residents shall be informed by the property management, at move-in and via a written notice(s)/instructions provided to each resident and displayed in the Development's common or public areas, that staff are available to receive resident calls at all times. These notices shall also provide contact information and direction to first contact the community-based emergency services if they have health or safety risk concerns.

- (2) Applicants who select the Elderly Demographic, must provide at least three of the resident programs outlined below:

- (a) 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 on-site. 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 Development consists of Scattered Sites, this resident program must be provided on the Scattered Site with the most units.

(b) Computer Training

The Applicant or its Management Company shall make available computer and internet training classes (basic and/or advanced level depending on the needs and requests of the residents). The training classes must be provided at least once a week, at no cost to the resident, in a dedicated space on site. 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 Development consists of Scattered Sites, this resident program must be provided on the Scattered Site with the most units.

(c) Daily Activities

The Applicant or its Management Company must provide on-site supervised, structured activities, at no cost to the resident, at least five days per week which must be offered between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. If the Development consists of Scattered Sites, this resident program must be provided on the Scattered Site with the most units.

(d) Assistance with Light Housekeeping, Grocery Shopping and/or Laundry

The Applicant or its Management Company must provide residents with a list of qualified service providers for (a) light housekeeping, and/or (b) grocery shopping, and/or (c) laundry and will coordinate, at no cost to the resident, the scheduling of services. The Developer or Management Company shall verify that the services referral information is accurate and up-to-date at least once every six months.

(e) Resident Assurance Check-In Program

Provide and use an established system for checking in with each resident on a pre-determined basis not less than once per day, at no cost to the resident. Residents may opt out of this program with a written certification that they choose not to participate.

10. Funding

a. Corporation Funding

(1) Total RRLP Request Amount

Total RRLP Request Amount is the Base Loan Amount plus ELI Loan Amount as described below.

The terms and conditions of the RRLP loan are further outlined in Exhibit H of the RFA.

(a) RRLP Base Loan Request Amount

(i) The RRLP Base Loan Request Amount for Applicants utilizing Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits is limited to the lesser of (A) \$105,000 per unit or (B) \$10,000,000 per Development.

(ii) The maximum RRLP Base Loan Request Amount for all other transactions is limited to the lesser of the following:

(A) \$6,500,000 per Development; or

(B) Per unit limit based on bedrooms per unit:

0 BR	1BR	2 BR	3 BR	4BR
\$143,814	\$164,819	\$200,424	\$259,284	\$284,612

(b) ELI Loan Amount

Applicants that are not committing to the Average Income Test are required to commit 10% of the total units as ELI Set-Aside Units and are eligible for ELI Loan Funding for each of the ELI Units. Applicants that are committing to the Average Income Test are required to commit 15% of the total units as ELI Set-Aside Units and are eligible for ELI Loan Funding for each of the ELI Units up to 10% of the total units.

County	2022 ELI AMI	0 & 1 Bedroom Units	2 Bedroom Units	3 & Higher Bedroom Units
Brevard	33%	\$78,800	\$92,100	\$103,900
Charlotte	40%	\$52,000	\$60,900	\$68,700
Collier	28%	\$108,400	\$126,800	\$143,100
DeSoto	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Flagler	35%	\$66,900	\$78,400	\$88,400
Glades	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Hardee	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Hendry	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Highlands	40%	\$44,400	\$52,100	\$58,700

County	2022 ELI AMI	0 & 1 Bedroom Units	2 Bedroom Units	3 & Higher Bedroom Units
Hillsborough	33%	\$79,500	\$93,200	\$105,200
Lake	33%	\$80,300	\$94,100	\$106,100
Lee	33%	\$78,000	\$91,300	\$102,800
Manatee	33%	\$83,700	\$97,800	\$110,600
Monroe	28%	\$117,600	\$137,800	\$155,500
Okeechobee	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Orange	33%	\$80,300	\$94,100	\$106,100
Osceola	33%	\$80,300	\$94,100	\$106,100
Palm Beach	30%	\$99,000	\$116,000	\$130,900
Pasco	33%	\$79,500	\$93,200	\$105,200
Pinellas	33%	\$79,500	\$93,200	\$105,200
Polk	40%	\$48,400	\$56,800	\$64,000
Putnam	40%	\$43,600	\$51,000	\$57,600
Saint Johns	33%	\$81,100	\$94,900	\$107,000
Sarasota	33%	\$83,700	\$97,800	\$110,600
Seminole	33%	\$80,300	\$94,100	\$106,100
Volusia	40%	\$52,400	\$61,400	\$69,300

During the scoring process, if the stated RRLP Request Amount 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 RRLP Request Amount will be reviewed for compliance with the per unit limit and per Development limit.

If a reduction in the RRLP Request Amount is needed and a funding shortfall is created in either the Construction/Rehab 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.

The ELI Loan Funding is a forgivable loan as further outlined in Exhibit I of this RFA.

(2) Non-Competitive Housing Credits

- (a) The Applicant must state the anticipated amount of Housing Credits it is requesting ("Applicant's Housing Credit Request Amount").

The 4% Housing Credit Request Amount is not subject to a request limit; however, if the Applicant states an amount that is not a whole dollar amount, the Corporation will round the amount down to a whole dollar amount.

- (b) Declaration as First Phase of a Multiphase Development

To declare this proposed Development as the first phase of a multiphase Development, the question in Exhibit A must be answered “Yes” and at least one building must be located within the HUD-designated DDA or HUD-designated QCT stated in Exhibit A.

During the credit underwriting process, an opinion letter must be submitted to the Corporation by a licensed attorney that the Development meets the definition of a “multiphase project” as defined in the Federal Register related to the Statutorily Mandated Designation of Difficult Development Areas and Qualified Census Tracts for the applicable year. The letter must also include: (i) the name of the declared first phase Development and the Corporation-assigned Application number, (ii) the total number of phases and the projected Development name for each phase, (iii) the total number of buildings in each phase, (iv) the expected completion date for each phase, and (v) any other information as determined by the Corporation and stated in the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

To qualify for the basis boost, subsequent phases must meet the requirements in (c)(i) below.

(c) Basis Boost Qualifications

With regard to Housing Credits, HUD provides regulatory guidance on the effective date of Difficult Development Area (DDA) and Qualified Census Tract (QCT) lists for the purpose of determining whether a Development qualifies for an increase in eligible basis in accordance with Section 42(d)(5)(B) of the IRC. HUD’s notice published on the webpage <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/qct.html> (also available by clicking [here](#)) governs the eligibility for a basis boost for the Development proposed in this RFA.

(i) Complete application for Non-Corporation-Issued Tax-Exempt Bonds submitted in a previous year

The increase in eligible basis related to non-competitive housing credits is initially tied to the submission of a complete application to the bond-issuing agency.

If the Applicant is applying for Corporation-issued MMRB in this application, the HUD criteria used to determine eligibility will be the current calendar year criteria. If the Applicant is utilizing Non-Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds, the Corporation will need to utilize the qualifying criteria tied to when the complete application was submitted to the agency issuing the County HFA-issued Tax Exempt Bonds. If applicable, provide a response to the

question asking for the calendar year of the County HFA-issued Tax Exempt Bond application (current year or prior year).

If the Applicant is requesting Non-Competitive Housing Credits that will be used with County HFA-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds and the Applicant indicates that the proposed Development is eligible for the basis boost, during the credit underwriting process the Applicant will be required to provide a letter certifying the date the bond application was deemed complete, as outlined in Exhibit D.

(ii) Subsequent Phase of a Multiphase Development

For purposes of this RFA, a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development is one where the first phase was located within a HUD-designated DDA or HUD-designated QCT and appropriately identified as such, and received an award of Housing Credits (“initial award”) in one of the following: (i) the 2011 Universal Application Cycle, (ii) a Request for Proposal or Request for Application (“RFP” or “RFA”) issued in calendar year 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 or (iii) a Non-Competitive Housing Credit Application (awarded through a Corporation competitive RFA process or a Non-Corporation Bond issuer’s competitive application).

For the subsequent phase to be eligible for the basis boost, after the initial award, (A) the Applicant must have submitted an Application for Housing Credits in immediately consecutive years, per the HUD requirements, (B) the 730-day period following the initial award must not end prior to the submission deadline for the Corporation’s competitive RFA or a Non-Corporation Bond issuer’s competitive application, per HUD’s requirements, and (C) the subsequent phase must have at least one building located within the boundary of the declared HUD-designated DDA or HUD-designated QCT which applied to the Development declared as the first phase by the first phase Applicant.

If the proposed Development qualifies as a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development, indicate as such in Exhibit A and provide the Corporation-assigned Application number for the Development where the first phase was declared and awarded an allocation of Housing Credits.

The proposed Development's subsequent phase status will be confirmed during the credit underwriting process. If it is determined that the proposed Development does not meet the criteria to be designated a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development and the Housing Credit request was based on such contention, it will no longer be considered a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development.

(iii) HUD-designated Small Area DDA (SADDA)

A proposed Development will be eligible for the basis boost if located within a HUD-designated Small Area DDA (SADDA), as defined in Section 42(d)(5)(B)(iii), IRC. The SADDA designation will only apply to the building(s) located within the applicable SADDA Zip Code Tabulation Area (ZCTA) and only those building(s) will be eligible for the basis boost.

HUD has assigned a ZCTA number to each SADDA, available on the webpage

<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/qct.html> (also available by clicking [here](#)). The applicable HUD mapping software is available at

https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sadda/sadda_qct.html (also available by clicking [here](#)).

To qualify, identify, in Exhibit A, the ZCTA number(s) for the proposed Development.

During credit underwriting and at the time of Final Cost Certification, if it is determined that there are buildings located outside of the applicable SADDA ZCTA, the Corporation reserves the right to reduce the Housing Credit Allocation if the eligible basis for the building(s) located in the applicable SADDA ZCTA is not sufficient to support the request amount.

(iv) HUD-designated Non-Metropolitan DDA

The proposed Development will be eligible for the basis boost if the Development county, as stated in Exhibit A, is located within a HUD-designated non-metropolitan DDA as defined in Section 42(d)(5)(B)(iii), IRC. The 2021 HUD-designated non-metropolitan DDAs are available on the webpage

<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/qct.html> (also available by clicking [here](#)).

(v) HUD-designated QCT

The proposed Development will be eligible for the basis boost if the entire Development is located, as of Application Deadline, within a HUD-designated QCT, as defined in Section 42(d)(5)(B)(ii), IRC, as amended and based on the current census, as determined by HUD.

The HUD-designated QCTs are available on the webpage <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/qct.html> (also available by clicking [here](#)).

To qualify, indicate the HUD-designated QCT census tract number.

(d) Housing Credit Equity Proposal

A Housing Credit equity proposal must be provided as **Attachment 12**. For purposes of this RFA, to be counted as a source, an equity proposal, regardless of whether the documentation is in the form of a commitment, proposal, term sheet or letter of intent, must meet the requirements set out below:

- (i) If the Eligible Housing Credit Request Amount is less than the anticipated amount of credit allocation stated in the equity proposal, the equity proposal will be considered a source of financing and the maximum amount of Housing Credit equity to be permitted in the Development Cost Pro Forma will be adjusted downward from the amount stated in the equity proposal. This adjusted maximum Housing Credit equity will be calculated by taking the total amount of equity to be provided to the proposed Development as stated in the equity proposal letter, dividing it by the credit allocation stated in the equity proposal and multiplying that quotient by the Applicant's Eligible Housing Credit Request Amount. If the Eligible Housing Credit Request Amount is greater than the anticipated amount of credit allocation stated in the equity proposal, the equity proposal will be considered a source of financing and the maximum amount of Housing Credit equity to be permitted in the Development Cost Pro Forma will be the amount stated in the equity proposal.
- (ii) If syndicating/selling the Housing Credits, the Housing Credit equity proposal must meet the following criteria:
- Be executed by the equity provider;
 - Include specific reference to the Applicant as the beneficiary of the equity proceeds;

- State the proposed amount of equity to be paid prior to construction completion;
- State the anticipated Housing Credit Request Amount;
- State the anticipated dollar amount of Housing Credit allocation to be purchased; and
- State the anticipated total amount of equity to be provided.

If the limited partnership agreement or limited liability company operating agreement has closed, the closed agreement must be provided. To be counted as a source of financing, the partnership agreement or operating agreement must meet the requirements above or submit separate documentation, signed by the equity provider, expressly stating any required criteria not provided in the agreement.

(iii) If not syndicating/selling the Housing Credits, the owner's commitment to provide equity must be provided. The commitment must include the following information and evidence of ability to fund must be provided as **Attachment 12** to the Application:

- The proposed amount of equity to be paid prior to construction completion;
- The anticipated Housing Credit Request Amount;
- The anticipated dollar amount of Housing Credit allocation to be purchased; and
- The anticipated total amount of equity to be provided.

Note: Exhibit D to the RFA outlines the documentation required to be submitted during credit underwriting demonstrating that the equity amount to be paid prior to or simultaneous with the closing of construction financing is at least 15 percent of the total proposed equity to be provided (the 15 percent criteria).

*Attachments 10 – 11 were intentionally omitted.

(3) Tax Exempt Bonds

(a) Corporation-Issued MMRB

State the amount of Corporation-Issued MMRB being requested. The MMRB Request amount must be in increments of \$5,000. The Corporation will make any necessary adjustment by rounding up to the nearest \$5,000.

There is no requirement to include any documentation regarding the MMRB in the Application. The necessary documentation that will be

required after the Applicant is invited to enter credit underwriting is outlined in Exhibit D.

- (b) County HFA-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds
- (i) Provide, as **Attachment 13** to Exhibit A, a letter, executed by the chair or vice chair of the governing body, mayor, or deputy mayor, city manager or assistant city manager, county manager/administrator/coordinator or assistant county manager/administrator/coordinator, executive director or assistant executive director, or by an individual occupying a position reasonably equivalent to any of the foregoing, as applicable, of the entity issuing the Tax-Exempt Bonds, that (a) confirms that the Applicant has submitted an application for Tax-Exempt Bonds for the Development proposed in this RFA, (b) states the amount of the Applicant's Bond request, and (c) confirms that the closing on the Bonds has not occurred and will not occur prior to the Application Deadline for this RFA; and
- (ii) The Applicant must include the anticipated amount of such Bond financing on the Construction/Rehab Analysis and the Permanent Analysis.

There is no requirement to include any other documentation regarding the County HFA-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds in the Application beyond what is required at **Attachment 13**. The necessary documentation will be required after the Applicant is invited to enter credit underwriting, as outlined in Exhibit D to the RFA.

Applicants are not eligible to apply for any funding offered in this RFA if the Applicant has already closed on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the Application Deadline for this RFA. In addition, proposed Developments are not eligible to receive any funding awarded through this RFA if the Applicant closes on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the issuance of the preliminary commitment. As part of the Applicant's acceptance of the invitation to enter credit underwriting (i.e., the preliminary commitment), the Applicant will be required to confirm that the Bonds have not closed. If the Bonds are closed between the Application Deadline and issuance of the preliminary commitment, the Applicant's award will be rescinded.

- (5) Other Corporation Funding

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/Rehab Analysis or the Permanent Analysis.

b. Non-Corporation Funding

- (1) If the proposed Development will be assisted with funding under the United States Department of Agriculture RD 515 Program and/or RD 538 Program, the following information must be provided:
- (a) Indicate the applicable RD Program(s) in Exhibit A.
 - (b) For a proposed Development that is assisted with funding from RD 515, include the following:
 - (i) Include the funding amount at the USDA RD 515 Financing line item on the Development Cost Pro Forma (Construction/Rehab Analysis and/or Permanent Analysis), and
 - (ii) Provide a letter from RD, dated within six months of the Application Deadline, as **Attachment 14** to Exhibit A, confirming the funding source as outlined below:
 - (A) For proposed Developments with the Development Category of Rehabilitation or Redevelopment (either one with or without Acquisition), the RD letter must include the following information:
 - Name of existing development;
 - Name of proposed Development;
 - Current RD Loan balance;
 - Acknowledgment that property is applying for Housing Credits; and
 - Acknowledgment that property will remain in the USDA/RD 515 loan portfolio.
- or
- (B) For proposed Developments with the Development Category of New Construction, the RD letter must include the following information:
 - Name of Proposed Development;
 - Name of Applicant as borrower or direct recipient;
 - RD Loan amount; and
 - Acknowledgment that property is applying for Housing Credits.

- (c) If the proposed Development will be assisted with funding under the RD 538 Program, include the following:
- (i) Include the funding amount at the USDA RD 538 Financing line item on the Development Cost Pro Forma (Construction/Rehab Analysis and/or Permanent Analysis); and
 - (ii) Provide the letter sent to the Applicant by an RD 538 approved lender certifying that the lender is prepared to make a loan consistent with the program requirements through the Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing (“538”) Loan Program as **Attachment 14** to Exhibit A. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (RD), list of Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing approved lenders is available on the RFA Webpage.

As outlined in Exhibit D, the Section 538 Selection letter from RD must be provided during credit underwriting.

(2) Non-Corporation Funding Proposals

Unless stated otherwise within this RFA, 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), equity proposals from the syndicator, 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 provided as **Attachment 15*** to Exhibit A. ~~To qualify for the PHA Goal, provide the PHA-sourced financing Commitment Verification form (Rev. 04-2023). Additional considerations for Applicants that qualify for the goal are set forth in (i) below.~~

For purposes of the Application, the following will not be considered a source of financing: net operating income, capital contributions not documented in accordance with financing proposals that are not from a Regulated Mortgage Lender, fee waivers or any portion of any fees that are reimbursed by the local government. Additionally, fee waivers or any portion of any fees that are reimbursed by the local government cannot be considered as Development costs.

- (a) Financing Proposal

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.

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 lender.

Note: Eligible Local Government financial commitments (i.e., grants and loans) can be considered a source of financing without meeting the requirements above if the Applicant provides the properly completed and executed Local Government Verification of Contribution – Grant Form (Form 07-2022) and/or the Local Government Verification of Contribution – Loan Form (Form 07-2022) and such grant and/or loan is effective at least through June 30, 2023. A loan with a forgiveness provision (and no accrued interest charges) requiring approval of the Local Government can be treated as a loan or a grant, for scoring purposes. Either the "Loan" or the "Grant" verification forms can be used. The grant and loan forms (Form 07-2022) are available on the RFA Webpage. If the loan form is used for a loan with forgiveness provision (and no accrued interest charges), the space for entering the net present value of the loan is not applicable to this RFA and will not be considered.

(b) Financing that has closed:

- (i) For any financing other than Tax-Exempt Bond financing*, 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.

*As stated in Section One and Section Four A.10.a. of the RFA, proposed Developments are not eligible to apply for any funding offered in this RFA if the Applicant has already closed on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the Application Deadline for this RFA. In addition, proposed Developments are not eligible to receive any funding awarded through this RFA if the Applicant closes on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the issuance of the preliminary commitment for the SAIL funding. As part of the Applicant's acceptance of the invitation to enter credit underwriting (i.e., the preliminary commitment), the Applicant will be required to confirm that the Bonds have not closed. If the Bonds are closed between the Application Deadline and issuance of the preliminary commitment, the Applicant's award will be rescinded.

- (ii) Except for HUD and RD funding, if the financing involves an assumption of debt not currently in the Applicant's name, as evidence that the lender approves of the proposal of assumption, provide a letter from the lender, dated within six months of the Application Deadline, that includes the following information:
- Specifically references the Applicant as the assuming party;
 - If a permanent loan, states the amount to be assumed; and
 - If a construction loan, states the maximum amount of funding capacity.

If the debt being assumed is provided by HUD, provide a letter from HUD, dated within six months of the Application Deadline, confirming the funding source. The letter must include the following information:

- Name of existing development;
- Name of proposed Development;
- Loan balance;
- Acknowledgment that property is applying for Housing Credits; and
- Applicable HUD program.

If the debt being assumed is provided by RD, the Applicant is only required to provide the information described in Item 10.b.(1)(b) above.

- (c) 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, ~~with one exception. Applicants that qualify for the PHA Goal and provide the PHA Sourced Financing Commitment Verification form (Rev. 04 2023) behind Attachment 15 will be required to provide the evidence of ability to fund that source of financing during credit underwriting. If an Applicant that qualifies for the PHA Goal includes any other financing proposal that is not from a Regulated Mortgage Lender in the business of making loans or a governmental entity, it will follow the same requirements as Applicants that don't qualify for the goal, and the 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 (or lessor) of the Development's property is providing a seller's or lessor's note (purchase money mortgage or equivalent) to help finance the Applicant's acquisition of the property, evidence of its ability to fund the amount of the note is not needed so long as the Application includes a letter from the seller or lessor that meets the financing proposal criteria outlined in (2)(a) above and the amount of the note is equal to or less than the purchase price of the property.

- (d) 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.
- (e) The loan amount may be conditioned upon an appraisal or debt service coverage ratio or any other typical due diligence required during credit underwriting.
- (f) Financing proposals may be conditioned upon the Applicant receiving the funding from the Corporation for which it is applying.
- (g) 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.
- (h) 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 if the commitment is properly executed and, if applicable, evidence of ability to fund is provided.
- ~~(i) Demonstration of permanent source(s) of financing from Applicants that qualify for the PHA Goal~~

~~To qualify for the PHA Goal include the PHA-Sourced Financing Commitment Verification form (Rev. 04-2023) as Attachment 15 demonstrating PHA-sourced financing on the form in an amount that is~~

~~at least half of the Applicant's eligible RRLP Base Loan Request Amount (excluding the ELI Loan Funding) or \$1,000,000, whichever is greater.~~

~~During credit underwriting, the PHA-sourced financing must demonstrate evidence of ability to fund the amount stated on the PHA-sourced financing Commitment Verification form as described in (c) above.~~

~~PHA-sourced financing will be funded and dispersed pro rata along with RRLP funding. The PHA-sourced financing must be subordinate to the RRLP loan. For example: Applicants that qualify for the PHA Goal must demonstrate the ability to fund a subordinate bond purchase (e.g., a Tranche B loan, subordinate to all other financing). PHA Sourced permanent financing sources must be identified on the Development Cost Pro Forma and labeled as either "PHA Sourced: Bond Financing" or "PHA Sourced: Non-Bond Financing" using the drop-down option available. PHA-sourced financing proposals must be provided in **Attachment 15**, in accordance with the requirements of subsection (c), above.~~

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 or Rehab Analysis and Permanent Analysis listing the anticipated sources (both Corporation and non-Corporation funding). The sources must equal or exceed the uses. 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 Application has a funding shortfall in either the Construction/Rehab 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.

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

Each Developer Fee component listed in (a) and (b) below shall not exceed the respective amounts described below:

- (a) Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs, is limited to 18 percent of the Total Acquisition Cost of Existing Development (excluding land) stated on the Development Cost Pro Forma in Column 3 of Item B, rounded down to the nearest dollar; and
- (b) Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs, is limited to 18 percent of the net amount after deducting Total Acquisition Cost of Existing Development (excluding land) (Column 3 of Item B) from 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 stated in (a) or (b) are exceeded, the Corporation will adjust the amount down to the maximum allowed. Additionally, the Corporation may further adjust the Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs, and/or Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs stated on the Development Cost Pro Forma and used to calculate the Developer Fee in Item D of the Development Cost Pro Forma. The conditions for such adjustments are stated below:

- If the amount of Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs is more than the amount allowed in (a) above, AND if the amount of Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs is less than the amount allowed in (b) above, the Corporation will reduce the amount of Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs to the maximum allowed amount, and increase the amount of Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs by the amount reduced in the Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs, up to the maximum allowed amount.
- If the amount of Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs is more than the amount allowed in (b) above, AND if the amount of Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs is less than the amount allowed in (a) above, the Corporation will reduce the amount of Developer

Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs to the maximum allowed amount, and increase the amount of Developer Fee on Acquisition Costs by the amount reduced in the Developer Fee on Non-Acquisition Costs, 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; ~~however, deferred Developer Fee may not be used as PHA-sourced financing.~~

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, as further described in Rule Chapters 67-21, F.A.C. 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) whereby its final disposition remains under this same restriction. 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.

d. Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority

Applicants may qualify for an "Add-On Bonus" used in the Leveraging Calculation described in Item 3 of Exhibit C if at least one of the following is met:

- (1) The Applicant has either entered into a land lease with a Public Housing Authority on property where the proposed Development is to be located or the Applicant provided an Option to Enter into a Ground Lease Agreement on property where the proposed Development is to be located; AND the property has an existing Declaration of Trust between the Public Housing Authority and HUD; or
- (2) The Applicant is associated with a Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority in the ownership structure. 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 and the Public Housing Authority and/or instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority must be reflected on the Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-2019).

Note: For purposes of the "Add-On Bonus", 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 a Public Housing Authority has one of the above-described relationships with the Applicant, state the name of the Public Housing Authority.

(3) PHA Goal

There is a goal to fund one Tier 1, Priority I Application that qualifies for the PHA Goal. To qualify, all of the following must be met:

- The proposed Development is located in a Tier 1 County;
- The Application must be a Priority I Application;
- ~~The Applicant must confirm PHA-sourced permanent financing in an amount that is at least half of the Applicant's eligible RRLP Base Loan Request Amount or \$1,000,000, whichever is greater, during scoring by providing Application meets the PHA Sourced Financing Commitment Verification form (Rev. 04-2023) as Attachment 15, goal at question 10.d.(3) in Exhibit A; and~~
- ~~During the credit underwriting process, such Applicantsthe Applicant must demonstrate PHAHUD-sourced permanent financing for the Development in an amount that is at least half of the Applicant's eligible RRLP Base Loan Request Amount or \$1,000,000, whichever is greater. The RRLP Base Loan Request Amount does not include the ELI Loan Funding Request Amount. This is further described in in Section Four, A.10.b.(2)(i) 25 percent of the RFA; and Total Development Cost stated in the Development Cost Pro Forma submitted within Exhibit A of this RFA.~~
- ~~PHA-sourced financing will be funded and dispersed pro rata along with RRLP funding. The PHA-sourced financing must be subordinate to the RRLP loan. This is further described in Section Four, A.10.b.(2)(i) of the RFA.~~

If any of these requirements are not met, the Applicant will not qualify for the goal and, if the proposed Development was funded to meet the goal, funding awarded under this RFA may be rescinded.

B. Additional Information

1. Verifying Application Fee Payment

To ensure that the Application Fee is processed for the correct online Application, the following is **strongly recommended**: (i) provide the Application Fee at least 48 hours prior to the Application Deadline; and (ii) whether paying by check, money order, ACH or wire transfer, include the Development Name, RFA number with the payment.

Additionally, include the following at question B.1. of Exhibit A:

- If submitting a check or money order, provide the check or money order number.
- If submitting an ACH, provide the trace number.

- If submitting a wire transfer, provide the wire service reference number (i.e. Fed/CHIPS/SWIFT Reference Number) and the Fed Wire Transfer Number.
2. Bookmarking the All Attachments Document before uploading (5 points)
- To be awarded 5 points, bookmark the pdf of the All Attachments Document before uploading. Instructions are provided on the RFA Webpage. Acrobat Standard DC or Acrobat Pro DC are the programs required to create bookmarks.
3. Addenda
- Use the Addenda section of Exhibit A to provide any additional information or explanatory addendum for items described in the Application. Please specify the particular item to which the additional information or explanatory addendum applies.

C. Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form

The Authorized Principal Representative must execute the Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement form to indicate the Applicant’s certification and acknowledgement of the provisions and requirements of the RFA.

**SECTION FIVE
SCORING AND EVALUATION PROCESS**

A. Scoring the RFA

1. 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*
Verification that the Applicant has not closed on the Tax-Exempt Bond financing prior to the Application Deadline
Demographic Commitment selected
Name of Applicant provided
Evidence Applicant is a legally formed entity qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline provided
Name of Each Developer provided
Evidence that each Developer entity is a legally formed entity qualified to do business in the state of Florida as of the Application Deadline provided
Developer Experience Requirement met
Principals for Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form provided and meets requirements
Contact information for Management Company provided
Prior Management Company Experience requirement met
Authorized Principal Representative provided and meets requirements

Name of Proposed Development provided
Development Category selected
Development Category Qualifying Conditions met
Development Type provided
Unit Characteristic Chart reflecting the breakdown of number of units associated with each Development Type, Development Category and ESS/Non-ESS provided
County identified
Address of Development Site provided
Question whether a Scattered Sites Development answered
Development Location Point provided
Latitude and Longitude Coordinates for any Scattered Sites provided, if applicable
Total Number of Units provided and within limits
Occupancy status of any existing units provided, if Rehabilitation
Minimum Set-Aside election provided
Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart properly completed
Unit Mix provided and meets requirements
Number of residential buildings provided
Evidence of Site Control provided
Appropriate Zoning demonstrated
Availability of Water demonstrated
Availability of Sewer demonstrated
Status of Site Plan/Plat Approval demonstrated
Environmental Site Assessment demonstrated
Green Building Certification or Minimum Additional Green Building Features selected, as applicable
Minimum Resident Programs selected
Applicant's RRLP Funding Request Amount
Applicant's Non-Competitive Housing Credit Request Amount
Applicant's MMRB Request Amount (if Corporation-issued Bonds) or Bond Request Amount and Other Required Information (if Non-Corporation-issued Bonds)
Development Cost Pro Forma provided showing sources that equal or exceed uses
Uniform Relocation Act questions answers
Applicant Certification and Acknowledgement signed by Authorized Principal Representative
Financial Arrearage Requirement and Insurance Deficiency Requirement met**
Verification of no prior acceptance to an invitation to enter credit underwriting for the same Development ***
Verification of no recent de-obligations ****

* 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, and (ii) the required Application fee must be submitted as of the Application Deadline.

**** Financial Arrearage Requirement and Insurance Deficiency Requirement**

An Application will be deemed ineligible for funding if, as of close of business **two days*** before the Committee meets to make a recommendation to the Board, either of the following occur: (1) 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; or (2) an Applicant or Developer or Principal, Affiliate or Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer has an insurance deficiency for any Development awarded Corporation resources, which are in first lien position, issued during or after September 2016 that is governed by the Insurance Guide posted to the Corporation's Website under the link <https://www.floridahousing.org/data-docs-reports/insurance-guide> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).

The Past Due Report contains the financial arrearages to the Corporation as well as the Insurance Deficiency Report. The most recently published Past Due Report is posted to the Corporation's Website under the link <https://www.floridahousing.org/data-docs-reports/past-due-reports> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)), but not more recently than seven business days prior to the date the Committee meets to make a recommendation to the Board.

* For example, if a review committee meeting is held on a Wednesday, regardless of the time of the meeting, the arrearages must be paid by Monday close of business.

***** Previous Funding Requirements**

Requirement that there can be no prior acceptance to an invitation to enter credit underwriting for the same Development

An Application will be deemed ineligible for funding if the Applicant has accepted an invitation to enter credit underwriting for the same Development (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 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 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.

**** Verification of no recent de-obligations

An Application will be deemed ineligible to be considered for funding if, as of the close of business the day before the Committee meets to make a recommendation to the Board, an Applicant or Developer or Principal, Affiliate or Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer has received an award of any funding from any RFA issued by Florida Housing Finance Corporation but such funding has been de-obligated by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation Board of Directors within the seven years prior to this RFA Application Deadline, with the exception of de-obligations that resulted from the termination of the Multifamily Energy Retrofit Program (MERP) funding awarded through RFA 2015-115.

2. Awarding Points

Point Items	Maximum Points
Submission of Principal Disclosure Form that is either (a) stamped "Approved" at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline; or (b) stamped "Received" by the Corporation at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline AND stamped "Approved" prior to the Application Deadline	5
Bookmarking Attachments prior to submission	5
Total Possible Points	10

B. Selection Process

1. Application Sorting Order

Within each Tier, the highest scoring Applications will be determined by first sorting together all eligible Applications from highest score to lowest score, with any scores that are tied separated in the following order:

- a. First, by the Application's Leveraging Classification, applying the multipliers outlined in Item 3 of Exhibit C of the RFA (with Applications having the Classification of A listed above Applications having the Classification of B);
- b. Next, by the Application's eligibility for the Proximity Funding Preference which is outlined in Section Four A.5.e. of the RFA (with Applications that qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference);
- c. Next, preference will be given to Applications that qualify for the Florida Job Creation Funding Preference which is outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C (with Applications that

qualify for the preference listed above Applications that do not qualify for the preference);

- d. Finally, by lottery number, with Applications that have a lower lottery number listed above Applications with a higher lottery number.

2. ~~Goal~~Goals

~~There is a goal to fund one Priority I, Tier 1 Application that qualifies for the PHA Goal.~~

There is a goal to fund three Applications in Lee County, with a preference that they be Priority I Applications.

~~There is a goal to fund one Priority I, Tier 1 Application that qualifies for the PHA Goal~~

3. County Award Tally

~~As~~Unless stated otherwise, as each Application is selected for tentative funding in the selection process below, the county where the proposed Development will be located will have one Application credited toward the County Award Tally.

Within each Tier, the Corporation will prioritize eligible unfunded Priority I Applications that meet the Funding Test and are located in counties that have the lowest County Award Tally above other eligible unfunded Priority I Applications in counties with a higher County Award Tally that also meet the Funding Test, even if the Priority I Applications with a higher County Award Tally are higher ranked. If there are multiple eligible unfunded Priority I Applications within a Tier that meet the Funding Test and have the lowest County Award Tally, the Corporation will select the highest-ranking Application among them for tentative funding.

For instance, Application 1 and Application 2 are the only eligible unfunded Priority I Applications that meet the Funding Test within a Tier Level. Application 1 is higher ranked than Application 2 and has a County Award Tally of 1. Although Application 2 is lower ranked than Application 1, it has a County Award Tally of 0, and, therefore, Application 2 will be selected for funding.

4. Funding Test

Florida Housing Finance Corporation (the Corporation) expects to have an estimated \$81,600,000 in RRLP funding available for award.

Applications will be selected for funding only if there is enough RRLP funding available to fully fund the Eligible RRLP Request Amount.

5. Selection Process

- a. Review of RFA 2022-206 Applications

First, the list of Applications that were invited to enter credit underwriting in RFA 2022-206 HOME Financing to be used for rental Developments in certain Hurricane Ian impacted counties will be reviewed.

If any of the Applications invited to enter credit underwriting in RFA 2022-206 were for Developments located in counties eligible for funding in this RFA, the affected county will be considered to have one Application applied towards the county in this RFA, ~~and, if applicable, the Application(s) will count towards the PHA Goal.~~

If multiple Applications invited to enter credit underwriting in RFA 2022-206 were for Developments located in the same county, the affected county will still only be considered to have one Application applied towards the County Award Tally in this RFA.

b. Selection of an Application to meet the PHA Goal

~~The Corporation will first select the highest-ranking eligible unfunded Priority I, Tier 1 Application to meet the PHA Goal. This Application will not be applied towards the County Award Tally.~~

c. Selection of Applications to meet the Lee County Goal

The Corporation will then select the highest-ranking eligible unfunded Priority I Applications to meet the Lee County Goal. If the goal cannot be met because there were not enough eligible Priority I Applications that meets the goal, the Corporation will then select the highest-ranking eligible unfunded Priority II Applications that meet the Lee County Goal until this goal is met.

~~c. Selection of an Application to meet the PHA Goal~~

~~The Corporation will then select the highest-ranking eligible unfunded Priority I, Tier 1 Application to meet the PHA Goal.~~

d. Selection of the Remaining Tier 1 and Tier 2 Applications

- (1) After the selection of Applications to meet the ~~Lee County Goal~~goals, the Corporation will select eligible unfunded Priority I, Tier 1 Applications, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.
- (2) If any funding remains after selecting all eligible Priority I, Tier 1 Applications that can be fully funded, then eligible unfunded Priority I, Tier 2 Applications will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.
- (3) If any funding remains after selecting all eligible Priority I, Tier 2 Applications that can be fully funded, then eligible unfunded Priority II, Tier 1 Applications will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.

(4) If any funding remains after selecting all eligible Priority II, Tier 1 Applications that can be fully funded, then eligible unfunded Priority II, Tier 2 Applications will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.

d. Selection of Applications within the Tier 3 Counties

If funding remains after selecting all Tier 1 and Tier 2 Applications that can be fully funded, eligible unfunded Priority I, Tier 3 Applications will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.

If any funding remains after selecting all eligible Priority I, Tier 3 Applications that can be fully funded, then eligible unfunded Priority II, Tier 3 Applications will be selected for funding, subject to the County Award Tally and Funding Test.

e. Remaining Funding

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

5. Returned Funding

Funding that becomes available after the Board takes action on the Committee's recommendation(s), due to an Applicant withdrawing, an Applicant declining its invitation to enter credit underwriting or the Applicant's inability to satisfy a requirement outlined in this RFA, and/or provisions outlined in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., 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 H of the RFA, and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.

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.

Exhibit A to RFA 2023-304 – RRLP Funding For Developments In Conjunction With Tax-Exempt Bonds And Non-Competitive Housing Credits

Unless stated otherwise, all information requested pertains to the Development proposed in this Application upon completion.

1. Review of Attachments

Provide all attachments as required below. If it is determined that the Attachments do not meet the RFA requirements or the Applicant submitted materially incorrect information in the Application, the Corporation may take any or all of the following actions, even if the Application was not selected for funding, was deemed ineligible, or was withdrawn: deem the Application ineligible, rescind the award, and consider all Principals of the Applicant to have made a material misrepresentation subject to Section 420.518, F.S.

2. Demographic Commitment

Select one of the following Demographic Commitments: [Choose an item.](#)

3. Applicant, Developer, Management Company, and Contact Person

a. Applicant

- (1) State the name of the 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 1**.

- (3) Non-Profit Applicant qualifications

Does the Applicant or the General Partner or managing member of the Applicant meet the definition of Non-Profit as set forth in Rule Chapters 67-21, F.A.C.?

[Choose an item.](#)

If “Yes”, provide the required information for the Non-Profit entity as **Attachment 2**.

b. Developer Information

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

[Click here to enter text.](#)

[Click here to enter text.](#)

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (2) For each Developer entity listed in question (1) above (that is not a natural person, Local Government, or Public Housing Authority), provide, as **Attachment 3**, 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) Required Developer Experience

At least one Developer entity named in (1) above must meet the Developer experience outlined in Section Four of the RFA.

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 and state): _____

Total Number of Units: _____

Year Completed: _____ (must be 2003 or later)

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

- (1) Eligibility Requirement

The Principals of the Applicant and Developer(s) Disclosure Form (Form Rev. 05-19) (“Principals Disclosure Form”) must be uploaded with the Application, as outlined in Section Three of the RFA, and meet the requirements of Section Four of the RFA.

- (2) Advance Review of Principals Disclosure Form (5 points)

Applicants will receive five points if the uploaded Principal Disclosure Form was either (a) stamped “Approved” at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline; or (b) stamped “Received” by the Corporation at least 14 Calendar Days prior to the Application Deadline AND stamped “Approved” prior to the Application Deadline.

- (3) Priority Designation of Applications

Applicants may submit no more than three Priority I Applications. There is no limit to the number of Priority II Applications that can be submitted; however, no Principal can be a Principal of more than three Priority I Applications.

Indicate whether this Application is designated as Priority I or Priority II. If no selection is made, the Application will be considered a Priority II Application.

[Choose an item.](#)

d. Management Company

(1) Contact Information

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

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

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

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

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

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

State: [Choose a state.](#)

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

Telephone: [Area Code 7 digit number extension](#)

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

(2) The Management Company named in (1) above used must meet the experience outlined in Section Four of the RFA.

Name of the Management Company or a Principal of the Management Company with the required experience: _____

(a) First completed affordable rental housing development that meets the experience requirement outlined in Section Four, A.3.d. of the RFA:

Name of Development: _____

Location (city and state): _____

Currently Managing or Formerly Managed? _____

Length of time (number of years): _____

Total Number of Units: _____

(b) Second completed affordable rental housing development that meets the experience requirement outlined in Section Four, A.3.d. of the RFA:

Name of Development: _____

Location (city and state): _____

Currently Managing or Formerly Managed? _____

Length of time (number of years): _____

Total Number of Units: _____

e. Contact Person

- (1) Provide the contact information for the person that meets the Authorized Principal Representative criteria outlined in Section Four (required).

First Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Middle Initial: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Last 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: [Choose a state.](#)
 Zip: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Telephone: [Area Code 7 digit number extension](#)
 E-Mail Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

- (2) Operational Contact Person information (optional)

First Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Middle Initial: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Last 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: [Choose a state.](#)
 Zip: [Click here to enter text.](#)
 Telephone: [Area Code 7 digit number extension](#)
 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

- (1) Select the Development Category
- (2) The Development Category requirements are outlined in Section Four.
- (3) Does the proposed Development require demolition of an occupied, existing residential structure?

Yes/No

If “Yes”, what is the number of units in the occupied, existing residential structure? _____

~~(a) Large Increase in the number of total units~~

~~Does the Application qualify?~~

~~(b) The existing development sustained Substantial Damage from Hurricanes Ian and/or Nicole~~

~~If the proposed Development requires demolition of an occupied, existing residential structure, but does not meet the criteria outlined in (1) above, provide the following:~~

~~The date that the damage report was filed for the occupied, existing residential structure: _____ (must be on or before December 31, 2022)~~

~~The date the damage report claim was substantiated by FEMA and determined to be Substantial Damage by FEMA: _____ (must be on or before the Application Deadline)~~

c. Characteristics of Development

(1) Development Type

Choose an item.

(2) Enhanced Structural Systems (“ESS”) Construction Qualifications are outlined in Section Four, A.4.c.(2) of RFA.

d. Unit Characteristic Chart

Complete the chart below reflecting the number of units for each of the Development Categories, Development Types, or ESS/non-ESS Construction, for purposes of the Leveraging Calculation.

Measure		Enter the applicable number of units
New Construction Units	Other Dev. Type, ESS Construction, NC Units	<u>Enter the number of units</u>
	Other Dev. Type, Non-ESS Construction, NC Units	<u>Enter the number of units</u>
	Garden, ESS Construction, NC Units	<u>Enter the number of units</u>
	Garden, Non-ESS Construction, NC Units	<u>Enter the number of units</u>
	Mid-Rise, ESS Construction, NC Units	<u>Enter the number of units</u>

	Mid-Rise, Non-ESS Construction, NC Units	Enter the number of units
	High-Rise, NC Units	Enter the number of units

Other Development Type means any Development Type that is not listed in the chart.

5. Location of proposed Development

a. County: [Choose a county.](#)

b. Development Location

(1) Address of Development Site:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

(2) City of Development Site*:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

*If the proposed Development is located in the unincorporated area of a county, provide that information.

c. Does the proposed Development consist of Scattered Sites?

[Choose an item.](#)

d. Latitude and Longitude Coordinates

(1) Development Location Point

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, for each Scattered Site that is in addition to the Development Location Point information provided in (1) above, identify the latitude and longitude coordinate, rounded to at least the sixth decimal place:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

e. Proximity

(1) PHA or RD 515 Proximity Point Boost

- (a) Does the proposed Development qualify for the PHA Proximity Point Boost?

Choose an item.

If “Yes”, provide the required letter as **Attachment 5.**

- (b) Does the proposed Development qualify for the RD 515 Proximity Point Boost?

Choose an item.

If “Yes”, provide the required letter as **Attachment 14.**

(2) Transit Services

Applicants may select Private Transportation or provide the location information and distance for one of the remaining four Transit Services on which to base the Application’s Proximity Score.

- (a) If the proposed Development will serve the Elderly Demographic Commitment, does the Applicant commit to provide Private Transportation?

Choose an item.

- (b) Other Transit Services

Service	Latitude	Longitude	Distance (rounded up to the nearest hundredth of a mile) *
Public Bus Stop 1	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Public Bus Stop 2	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Public Bus Stop 3	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Public Bus Transfer Stop	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>
SunRail Station, MetroRail Station, or TriRail Station	<u>Latitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Longitude Coordinates</u>	<u>Distance</u>

*Distance between the coordinates of the Development Location Point and the coordinates of the service.

(3) Community Services

Up to three Community Services may be selected, for a maximum 4 Points for each service

Service	Service Name	Service Address	Distance (rounded up to the nearest hundredth of a mile):*
Grocery Store	Service Name	Service Address	Distance
Medical Facility	Service Name	Service Address	Distance
Pharmacy	Service Name	Service Address	Distance
Public School	Service Name	Service Address	Distance

*Distance between the coordinates of the Development Location Point and the coordinates of the service.

6. Number of Units and Buildings

a. Total number of units that will be in the proposed Development upon completion: [Click here to enter text.](#)

b. If there are existing occupied units and if the Development is funded, a plan for relocation of existing tenants will be required to be provided to the Credit Underwriter, as outlined in Exhibit D.

c. Set-Aside Commitments

(1) Select one of the following minimum set-aside commitments:

[Choose an item.](#)

Based on these selections, there will be ____ ELI Set-Aside Units and ____ Link Units.

(2) Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart

(a) Applicants committing to the minimum set-aside commitment of 20 percent of the total units at 50 percent of the Area Median Income or less or 40 percent of the total units at 60 percent of the Area Median Income or less must complete the following chart:

Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart	
Percentage of Residential Units	AMI Level
Enter Number %	At or Below 25%
Enter Number %	At or Below 28%
Enter Number %	At or Below 30%
Enter Number %	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> %	Total Set-Aside Percentage

(b) Applicants committing to the Average Income Test must complete this chart:

Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart	
Number of Residential Units for 50-year commitment	AMI Level
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 20%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 30%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 40%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 50%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 60%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 70%
<u>Enter Number</u>	At or Below 80%
<u>Enter Number</u>	Market Rate Units
<u>Enter Number</u> % (Total Set-Aside Percentage)	

State the Average AMI of all Qualifying Housing Credit Units:

Note: The Development Cost Pro Forma includes an Average Income Test worksheet to assist Applicants in this calculation. If the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart reflects that the Average AMI of all Qualifying Housing Credit Units exceeds 60 percent, and/or if the number of Set-Aside Units set aside at 30 percent AMI or less, is not equal to or greater than the required ELI commitment, and/or the overall Set-Aside Commitment requirement is not met, the Application will not be eligible for funding.

D. Unit Mix Chart

(1) Complete the chart below:

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

e. Number of Buildings

Number of anticipated residential buildings: [Enter Number](#)

f. Compliance Period

All Applicants are required to set aside the units for 50 years as further described in Section Four of the RFA.

7. Readiness to Proceed

a. Site Control

The attachments must be provided as **Attachment 6** to demonstrate site control as of Application Deadline.

b. Ability to Proceed documents

- (1) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate zoning as **Attachment 7**.
- (2) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of water as **Attachment 8**.
- (3) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate availability of sewer as **Attachment 9**.
- (4) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate the status of site plan approval or plat approval as **Attachment 10**.
- (5) Provide the required documentation to demonstrate that a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) has been performed and, if required or recommended, a Phase II ESA has been performed as **Attachment 11**.

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) Proposed Developments must select one of the following Green Building Certification programs described in Section Four.

Choose an item.

9. Resident Programs

- a. Applicants that select the Family Demographic must commit to provide at least two of the following resident programs:
 - After School Program for Children
 - Adult Literacy
 - Employment Assistance Program
 - Family Support Coordinator
 - Financial Management Program
 - Homeownership Opportunity Program
- b. Developments serving the Elderly Demographic:
 - (1) Required Resident Programs for all Applicants that select the Elderly Demographic are outlined in Section Four.
 - (2) Applicants that select the Elderly Demographic must commit to at least three of the following resident programs, in addition to the required resident programs stated in Section Four:
 - Adult Literacy
 - Computer Training
 - Daily Activities
 - Assistance with Light Housekeeping, Grocery Shopping and/or Laundry
 - Resident Assurance Check-In Program

10. Funding

a. Corporation Funding

(1) Total RRLP Loan

- (a) RRLP Base Loan Request Amount: \$ [Click here to enter text.](#)
- (b) ELI Loan Request Amount: \$ [Click here to enter text.](#)

(2) Non-Competitive Housing Credits

- (a) Housing Credit Request Amount (annual amount): \$ [Click here to enter text.](#)

- (b) Is the proposed Development the first phase of a multiphase Development?

[Choose an item.](#)

(c) Basis Boost Qualifications

- (i) If the Applicant is utilizing Non-Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds as provided in the RFA, indicate which calendar year the complete bond application was submitted to the bond-issuing agency:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (ii) Is the proposed Development a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development and eligible for the basis boost?

[Choose an item.](#)

If “Yes”, state the Corporation-assigned Application Number for the Development where the first phase was declared: [Click here to enter text.](#)

- (iii) Are any buildings in the proposed Development located in a SADDA?

[Choose an item.](#)

If “Yes”, provide the SADDA ZCTA Number(s): [Click here to enter text.](#)

(The Applicant should separate multiple SADDA ZCTA Numbers by a comma.)

- (iv) Is the proposed Development located in a non-metropolitan DDA?

[Choose an item.](#)

- (v) Is the proposed Development located in a QCT?

[Choose an item.](#)

If “Yes”, indicate the HUD-designated QCT census tract number:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

- (d) The Housing Credit equity proposal must be provided as **Attachment 12**.

- (3) Bond information

Corporation-Issued MMRB Loan Request Amount (if applicable): \$ [Click here to enter text.](#)

If the Applicant intends to utilize County HFA-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds for the proposed Development, provide the required documentation as **Attachment 13**.

- b. Non-Corporation Funding Proposals

- (1) If the proposed Development is assisted with funding under the United States Department of Agriculture RD 515 Program and/or the RD 538 Program, indicate the applicable program(s) below and provide the required documentation as **Attachment 14** to Exhibit A.

RD 515 RD 538

- (2) Non-Corporation Funding Proposals

Attach all funding proposals executed by the lender(s) or by any other source as **Attachment 15**.

- c. Development Cost Pro Forma

Complete the Development Cost Pro Forma tab of Exhibit A.

- d. Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority

- (1) Has the Applicant entered into a land lease with a Public Housing Authority on property where the proposed Development is to be located or the Applicant provided an Option to Enter into a Ground Lease Agreement on property where the proposed Development is to be located; AND the property has an existing Declaration of Trust between the Public Housing Authority and HUD?

[Choose an item.](#)

- (2) Is the Applicant associated with a Public Housing Authority and/or an instrumentality of a Public Housing Authority in the ownership structure?

[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.](#)

- (3) PHA Goal

Does the Application qualify for the PHA Goal?

Yes/No

~~If Yes, provide the PHA-Sourced Financing Commitment Verification form (Rev. 04-2023) as Attachment 15.~~

B. Other Information

1. Verifying Application Fee Payment

To ensure that the Application Fee is processed for the correct online Application, the following is ***strongly recommended***: (i) provide the Application Fee at least 48 hours prior to the Application Deadline; and (ii) whether paying by check, money order, ACH or wire transfer, include the Development Name, RFA number with the payment.

Additionally, include the following:

- If submitting a check or money order, provide the check or money order number.
- If submitting an ACH, provide the trace number.
- If submitting a wire transfer, provide the wire service reference number (i.e. Fed/CHIPS/SWIFT Reference Number) and the Fed Wire Transfer Number.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

2. Bookmarking the All Attachments Document before uploading (5 points)

To be awarded 5 points, bookmark the pdf of the All Attachments Document before uploading.

3. Addenda

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.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

C. 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 H and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C. The Applicant and all Financial Beneficiaries have read, understand and will comply with Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and all related federal regulations.
2. The Applicant has reviewed Part D of Exhibit H, and certifies to its eligibility to apply for the funding offered in this RFA.
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 Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction, adopted pursuant to Section 553.503, F.S., 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 authority 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) for the loan and, if applicable, the MMRB loan, and (ii) an Extended Use Agreement for the Housing Credits, and must be maintained in order for the Development to remain in compliance, unless the Board approves a change.
10. The Applicant certifies that there are no agreements, other than the letter of intent provided with this Application or the Limited Partnership Agreement, or Operating Agreement, between the Applicant and the Housing Credit Syndicator/equity provider, if applicable.
11. The Applicant certifies that the complete Limited Partnership Agreement or Operating Agreement, including any amendments thereto, will be divulged to the Corporation and the credit underwriter, if applicable.
12. 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) no construction or inspection work is performed by the General Contractor, with the following exceptions: (a) The General Contractor may perform its duties to manage and control the construction of the Development; and (b) the General Contractor may self-perform work of a de minimis amount, defined for purposes of this subparagraph as the lesser of \$350,000 or 5 percent of the construction contract; (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 H and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.; and (iv) a provision is provided in the contract with the General Contractor that it will comply Exhibit H and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.
13. 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.
14. 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.

15. During the credit underwriting process, demonstrate that the Development meets the requirements of this RFA and Section 42 of the IRC.
16. The invitation to enter credit underwriting will be rescinded if it is determined that the proposed Development was placed in-service prior to the year in which it received its allocation, if applicable.
17. The Applicant understands and is in compliance with any Priority I/II Applicant Designation requirements outlined in the RFA and will continue to comply throughout the Compliance Period. The Applicant agrees to notify the Corporation of any changes. The Corporation will determine whether the changes cause a violation of the Priority I/II Applicant Designation requirement.
18. 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.
19. The Applicant has read, understands and will comply with the Tenant Selection Plan requirements outlined in Exhibit G.
20. The undersigned is authorized to bind the Applicant entity to this certification and warranty of truthfulness and completeness of the Application.
21. The Applicant understands and acknowledges that Florida Housing may make all Applications in this RFA public sooner than 30 days after the Application Deadline.
22. The Corporation has included several warning messages throughout the Excel-based application to help alert an Applicant that there may be an issue with the data. This is a helpful guide but is not intended to be an all-inclusive list. Eligibility, points awarded, qualifications for goals, preferences, etc., are all solely determined by the criteria outlined in the RFA. If there are any inconsistencies between the Exhibit A and the RFA itself, such as formulas used in calculations or the warning messages, Applicants are instructed to rely solely on the RFA.

Under the penalties of perjury, I declare and certify that the Application for the proposed Development meets all applicable requirements of the RFA. I have read the foregoing and the information is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Authorized Principal Representative*

Name (typed or printed)

Title (typed or printed)

* The Authorized Principal Representative must type their name indicating the acknowledgement and certification of these requirements.

Exhibit B – Definitions

Capitalized terms within this RFA shall have the meaning as set forth in this RFA, in this Exhibit, Rule Chapter 67-60, F.A.C., and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., (effective July 6, 2022), or in applicable federal regulations.

“Application”	The sealed response submitted to participate in a competitive solicitation for funding pursuant to rule Chapter 67-60, F.A.C.
“Development Cash Flow”	Cash transactions of the Development as calculated in the statement of cash flows prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”), as adjusted for any cash transactions that are subordinate to the RRLP loan interest payment including any distribution or payment to the Applicant or Developer, Principal(s) of the Applicant or Developer or any Affiliate of the Principal(s) of the Applicant or Developer, or to the Developer or any Affiliate of the Developer, whether paid directly or indirectly, which was not expressly disclosed in determining the annual debt service coverage in the Board approved final credit underwriting report.
“Development Expenses”	Usual and customary operating and financial costs, such as the compliance monitoring fee, the financial monitoring fee, replacement reserves, the servicing fee and the debt service reserves. As it relates to RRLP Developments and to the application of Development Cash Flow described in Exhibit H, the term includes only those expenses disclosed in the operating pro forma on an annual basis included in the final credit underwriting report, as approved by the Board, and maximum of 20 percent Developer Fee per year.
“Domestic Violence”	Domestic violence as defined in Section 741.28, F.S.
“Draw”	The disbursement of funds to a Development.
“ELI Household” or “Extremely Low Income Household”	A household of one or more persons wherein the annual adjusted gross income for the Family is equal to or below the percentage of area median income for ELI Persons.
“ELI Loan”	The loan made by the Corporation for the Applicant’s ELI Set-Aside commitment, based on terms and conditions outlined in the RFA.
“ELI Set-Aside” or “Extremely Low Income Set-Aside”	Extremely low income persons as defined in Section 420.0004(9), F.S., or in the RFA.
“Financial Institution”	A Lending institution as defined in Section 420.503, F.S.

<p>“Grocery Store”</p>	<p>A retail food store consisting of 4,500 square feet or more of contiguous air-conditioned space available to the public, that has been issued a food permit, current and in force as of the dates outlined below, issued by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service (FDACS) which designates the store as a Grocery Store or Supermarket within the meaning of those terms for purposes of FDACS-issued food permits.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have (i) been in existence and available for use by the general public since a date that is 6 months prior to the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline AND be one of the following: Albertson’s, Aldi, Bravo Supermarkets, BJ’s Wholesale Club, Costco Wholesale, Food Lion, Fresh Market, Harvey’s, Milam’s Markets, Piggly Wiggly, Presidente, Publix, Sam’s Club, Sav – A – Lot, Sedano’s, SuperTarget, Trader Joe’s, Walmart Neighborhood Market, Walmart Supercenter, Whole Foods, Winn-Dixie; or (iii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
<p>“LURA” or “Land Use Restriction Agreement”</p>	<p>An agreement which sets forth the set-aside requirements and other Development requirements under a Corporation program.</p>
<p>“Medical Facility”</p>	<p>A medically licensed facility that employs or has under contractual obligation at least one physician licensed under Chapter 458 or 459, F.S. available to provide general medical treatment to patients by walk-in or by appointment. Facilities that only treat specific classes of medical conditions, including, but not limited to clinics/emergency rooms affiliated with specialty or Class II hospitals, or facilities that only treat specific classes of patients (e.g., age, gender) will not be accepted.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
<p>“Pharmacy”</p>	<p>A community pharmacy operating under a valid permit issued pursuant to s. 465.018, F.S., current and in force as of the dates outlined below and open to the general public at least five days per week without the requirement of a membership fee.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have (i) been in existence and available for use by the general public since a date that is 6 months prior to the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline AND be one of the following: Albertson’s, Costco Wholesale, CVS, Harvey’s, Kmart, Navarro’s, Piggly Wiggly, Publix, Sav – A – Lot, Target, Walgreens, Wal-Mart, Winn-Dixie; or (iii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of</p>

	September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.
“Private Transportation”	At no cost to the residents, transportation provided by the Applicant or its Management Company to non-emergency medical appointments such as therapy, chemotherapy, dentistry, hearing, dialysis, prescription pick-ups, testing and x-rays, as well as shopping, public service facilities, and/or educational or social activities. The vehicle used for the residents’ transportation must accommodate at least six adult passengers, including the vehicle’s driver and at least one wheelchair position. Access to a program such as “Dial-A-Ride” will not meet this definition.
“Project” or “Property”	A Project as defined in Section 420.503, F.S.
“Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop”	<p>A fixed location at which passengers may access public transportation via bus. The Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop must service at least one bus that travels at some point during the route in either a lane or corridor that is exclusively used by buses, and the Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop must service at least one route that has scheduled stops at the Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop at least every 20 minutes during the times of 7am to 9am and also during the times of 4pm to 6pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on a year-round basis.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
“Public Bus Stop”	<p>A fixed location at which passengers may access one or two routes of public transportation via buses. The Public Bus Stop must service at least one bus route that either (i) has scheduled stops at least hourly during the times of 7am to 9am and also during the times of 4pm to 6pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on a year-round basis; or (ii) has the following number of scheduled stops within a 24 hour period, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on a year-round basis, for the applicable county size;</p> <p>Small and Medium Counties: 12 scheduled stops</p> <p>Large Counties: 18 scheduled stops</p> <p>Bus routes must be established or approved by a Local Government department that manages public transportation. Buses that travel between states will not be considered.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available</p>

	<p>for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
<p>“Public Bus Transfer Stop”</p>	<p>For purposes of proximity points, a Public Bus Transfer Stop means a fixed location at which passengers may access at least three routes of public transportation via buses. Each qualifying route must either (i) have a scheduled stop at the Public Bus Transfer Stop at least hourly during the times of 7am to 9am and also during the times of 4pm to 6pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on a year-round basis; or (ii) have the following number of scheduled stops at the Public Bus Transfer Stop within a 24 hour period, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, on a year-round basis, for the applicable county size:</p> <p>Small and Medium Counties: 12 scheduled stops</p> <p>Large Counties: 18 scheduled stops</p> <p>This would include bus stations (i.e., hubs) and bus stops with multiple routes. Bus routes must be established or approved by a Local Government department that manages public transportation. Buses that travel between states will not be considered.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
<p>“Public Rail Station”</p>	<p>For purposes of proximity points, a Public Rail Station means a fixed location at which passengers may access the scheduled public rail transportation on a year-round basis at a MetroRail Station located in Miami-Dade County, a TriRail Station located in Broward County, Miami-Dade County or Palm Beach County, or a SunRail Station located in the following counties: Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</p>
<p>“Public School”</p>	<p>Either (i) a public elementary, middle, junior and/or high school, where the principal admission criterion is the geographic proximity to the school; or (ii) a charter school or a magnet school, if the charter school or magnet school is open to appropriately aged children who apply, without additional requirements for</p>

	<p>admissions such as passing an entrance exam or audition, payment of fees or tuition, or demographic diversity considerations.</p> <p>Additionally, it must have either been in existence and available for use by the general public as of the Application Deadline; or (ii) been in existence and available for use by the general public as of September 25, 2022 but not available as of the Application Deadline because of temporary closures or service suspensions due to Hurricane Ian or other emergency suspension based on an official emergency declaration.</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 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 Webpage.</p>
<p>“Related Application”</p>	<p>An Application submitted in an RFA that shares Interest – Direct or Indirect, Identity of Interest, or shares any Principals, Affiliates, Financial Beneficiaries, or Related Parties of the Applicant or Developer common to any or all of the Principals, Affiliates, Financial Beneficiaries, or Related Parties of an Applicant or Developer in another Application in the same RFA.</p> <p>a. “Interest - Direct or Indirect” refers to a person or entity having direct or indirect ownership, financial or controlling interest in another entity.</p> <p>b. “Related Party” or “Related Parties” mean a relative (including but not limited to</p>

	<p>grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother, or half-sister) of any Principal or any entity that shares common Principals, executive directors, board members, officers, guarantors, or employees.</p> <p>c. "Identity of Interest" means a situation in which a Principal, Affiliate, or Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer has a direct or indirect interest in the ownership of an entity which contracts with a Principal, Affiliate, or Financial Beneficiary of the Applicant or Developer to provide land, goods, loans, financial support, or services for the Development or where there is a financial, familial, or business relationship that permits less than arm's length transactions.</p>
"Review Committee" or "Committee"	A committee established pursuant to rule Chapter 67-60, F.A.C.
"RRLP Development"	A residential Development comprised of one (1) or more residential buildings proposed to be constructed with RRLP funds for Eligible Persons.
"RRLP Minimum Set-Aside Requirement"	The least number of set-aside units in a RRLP Development which must be held for Very Low-Income persons or households pursuant to the category under which the Application has been made, as further described in Exhibit H.
"RRLP Rent-Restricted Unit"	With respect to a RRLP Development, a unit for which 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 its Application and shall be determined in a manner consistent with Section 42(g)(2) of the IRC.
"Set-Aside Units"	<p>When not committing to the Average Income Test, Set-Aside Units are units set aside at or below 60 percent of the Area Median Income for the county in which the Development is located. The total number of Set-Aside Units is then calculated as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The total number of units within the proposed Development multiplied by the highest Total Set-Aside Percentage the Applicant committed to as stated in the last row of the set-aside breakdown chart in the Set-Aside Commitment section of the Application. Results that are not a whole number will be rounded up to the next whole number.</p> <p>When committing to the Average Income Test, Set-Aside Units are units set aside at or below 80 percent of the Area Median Income for the county in which the Development is located, but the average AMI shall not exceed 60 percent. The total number of Set-Aside Units is calculated by adding together the number of units at or below 80 percent AMI represented on the Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart.</p>
"Sister Stop"	Sister Stop is defined as two bus stops that (i) individually, each meet the definition of Public Bus Stop; (ii) are separated by a street or intersection from each other; (iii)

	are within 0.2 miles of each other; (iv) serve the same bus route(s); and (v) the buses travel in different directions.
"Very Low-Income"	<p>With respect to the RRLP Program,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If using tax-exempt bond financing for the first mortgage, income which meets the income eligibility requirements of Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as in effect on the date of this rule chapter, or 2. If using taxable financing for the first mortgage, total annual gross household income which does not exceed 50 percent of the median income adjusted for family size, or 50 percent of the median income adjusted for family size for households within the metropolitan statistical area (MSA), within the county in which the Family resides, or within the state of Florida, whichever is greater, or 3. If used in a Development using Housing Credits, income which meets the income eligibility requirements of Section 42 of the IRC.
"Zero Bedroom Unit"	A single person occupancy unit of at least 350 square feet that includes a private full bathroom and a vertical closet for clothing. The unit shall include a kitchen with a refrigerator, stove and sink.

Exhibit C – Additional Information

1. **Total Development Cost Per Unit Limitation – intentionally omitted in this RFA**
2. **Transit and Community Service Scoring Charts**
 - a. **Transit Service Scoring Charts**

Distances if using one Public Bus Stop		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and the Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and the Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Number of Proximity Points Awarded
if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	2.0
if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.40 miles	1.5
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	if greater than 0.40 and less than or equal to 0.50 miles	1.0
if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	0.50
If greater than 1.25. miles	If greater than 0.75 miles	0.0

Distances if using two Public Bus Stops		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and the furthest Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and the furthest Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Number of Proximity Points Awarded
if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	4.0
if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.40 miles	3.0
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	if greater than 0.40 and less than or equal to 0.50 miles	2.0
if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	1.0
If greater than 1.25. miles	If greater than 0.75 miles	0.0

Distances if using three Public Bus Stops		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and the furthest Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and the furthest Public Bus Stop coordinates stated in Exhibit A	Number of Proximity Points Awarded
if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	6.0

if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.50 miles	5.5
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	5.0
if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	4.5

Public Rail Station, Public Bus Transfer Stop, or Public Bus Rapid Transit Stop		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Number of Proximity Points Awarded for Eligible Service
if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	6.0
if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.50 miles	5.5
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	5.0
if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	4.5
if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.50 miles	if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	4.0
if greater than 1.50 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.50 miles	3.5
if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.00 miles	if greater than 1.50 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	3.0
if greater than 2.00 and less than or equal to 2.50 miles	if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.00 miles	2.5
if greater than 2.50 miles	if greater than 2.00 miles	0.0

b. Community Services Scoring Charts

Grocery Store, Medical Facility and Pharmacy		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Number of Proximity Points Awarded for Eligible Service
if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	if less than or equal to 0.30 miles	4.0
if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if greater than 0.30 and less than or equal to 0.50 miles	3.5
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	3.0
if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	2.5
if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.50 miles	if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	2.0
if greater than 1.50 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.50 miles	1.5
if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.00 miles	if greater than 1.50 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	1.0

if greater than 2.00 and less than or equal to 2.25 miles	if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.00 miles	0.5
if greater than 2.25 miles	if greater than 2.00 miles	0.0

Public School		
Small County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Medium and Large County Distance between the Development Location Point and eligible service	Number of Proximity Points Awarded for Eligible Service
if less than or equal to 0.75 miles	if less than or equal to 0.50 miles	4.0
if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.0 miles	if greater than 0.50 and less than or equal to 0.75 miles	3.5
if greater than 1.0 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	if greater than 0.75 and less than or equal to 1.00 miles	3.0
if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.5 miles	if greater than 1.00 and less than or equal to 1.25 miles	2.5
if greater than 1.5 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	if greater than 1.25 and less than or equal to 1.5 miles	2.0
if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.0 miles	if greater than 1.50 and less than or equal to 1.75 miles	1.5
if greater than 2.0 and less than or equal to 2.25 miles	if greater than 1.75 and less than or equal to 2.00 miles	1.0
if greater than 2.25 miles	if greater than 2.00 miles	0

3. Leveraging Classification

Each Priority I Application will be assigned as either Group A or Group B, based on the Eligible RRLP Base Loan Funding amount relative to all other Priority I Application's RRLP Base Loan Funding amount using the following methodology.

The RRLP Base Loan Funding amount is calculated only using the Applicant's Eligible RRLP Request. The ELI Loan Amount, MMRB, and Non-Competitive Housing Credit funding, if applicable, will all be excluded from the following leveraging calculation.

- a. If the Development qualifies for a Housing Credit basis boost, the Eligible RRLP Base Loan Request Amount will be multiplied by 1.15; and
- b. If the Applicant has either (i) entered into a land lease with a Public Housing Authority on property where the proposed Development is to be located or the Applicant provided an Option to Enter into a Ground Lease Agreement on property where the proposed Development is to be located; AND the property has an existing Declaration of Trust between the Public Housing Authority and HUD; or (ii) a PHA/instrumentality of a PHA as a Principal, the Application will qualify for the PHA Multiplier and the amount will also be multiplied by 0.93.

Note: More than one of the above may apply. For instance, if a. and b. apply, the Eligible RRLP Base Loan Request will be multiplied by 1.15, then multiplied by 0.93.

- c. If the Development consists of any new construction units, the total Corporation funding amount calculated above will also be multiplied by a Leveraging Factor. The Leveraging Factor is calculated as follows:

Development Leveraging Multipliers							
# of new construction units	NC Garden Non-ESS	NC Garden ESS	NC Mid-Rise Non-ESS	NC Mid-Rise ESS	NC High-Rise	NC Other Non-ESS	NC Other ESS
Combined Dev Type / ESSC Multipliers	x 0.92	x 0.8004	x 0.85	x 0.7395	x 0.7134	x 1.0	x 0.87
Results of multiplication of each category							

To calculate the Leveraging Factor, the chart above will be used. The number of units for each category stated at 4.e. of Exhibit A will be multiplied by the applicable multiplier. The results of the multiplication will then be added together, then divided by the total number of units in the Development. The result of this calculation is the Leveraging Factor.

The Leveraging Factor is then multiplied by the total Corporation funding amount as calculated in a. – b. above. This result is the total Corporation funding amount used in d. below.

- d. The total Corporation funding amount will then be divided by the number of Set-Aside Units, resulting in the total Corporation funding per Set-Aside Unit.
- e. The Priority I Applications will be listed in ascending order beginning with the Priority I Application that has the lowest amount of total Corporation RRLP funding per Set-Aside Unit and ending with the Priority I Application that has the highest amount. If any Priority I Applications have identical total Corporation funding per set-aside unit amounts, the Priority I Applications will be further sorted using lottery number, with the HIGHEST (worst) lottery number being listed first.

The total number of Priority I Applications on the list will be multiplied by will be multiplied by 80 percent and the resulting figure will be rounded up to the next whole number (the resulting figure after rounding will be referred to as the “Priority I A/B Cut-Off”). A line will be drawn below the Priority I Application whose place on the list is equal to the Priority I A/B Cut-Off. Applications above the Priority I A/B Cut-Off will be classified as Group A and Applications below the A/B Cut-Off will be classified as Group B.

This will then be repeated for any Priority II Applications.

4. 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 RRLP 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 the minimum requirement of 11.10.

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

- The number of new construction units committed to by the Applicant (as stated by the Applicant in Exhibit A);
- Rate of 3.171 Florida Jobs per unit for proposed new construction units; and
- The Eligible RRLP Request Amount.

The score for the Florida Rate of Job Creation per \$1 million of RRLP funding will be measured using one of the following calculations:

Number of new construction units x 3.171 Florida Jobs per unit x 1,000,000 / (the RRLP Request Amount x 9.0) = Florida Jobs per \$1 million of RRLP funding.

For example:

Application A consists of 25 new construction units and has an Eligible RRLP Request Amount of \$3,700,000.

$25 \times 3.171 \times 1,000,000 / 3,700,000 \times 9.0 =$ Florida Job Creation score of 21.43.

In above example, the Application will qualify for the Job Creation Funding Preference because it has a Florida Job Creation score that is equal to or greater than the minimum required.

5. 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 as outlined in the credit underwriting and program requirements outlined in this RFA and Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.

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. TEFRA Fee

Applicants awarded Corporation-issued MMRB shall submit a non-refundable TEFRA fee to the Corporation in the amount of \$1,000 within seven Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter Credit Underwriting. This fee shall be applied to the actual cost of publishing required newspaper advertisements and Florida Administrative Register notices of TEFRA Hearings. If the actual cost of the required publishing exceeds \$1,000, Applicant shall be invoiced for the difference. If a Local Public Fact Finding Hearing is requested, the Applicant shall be responsible for payment of any fees incurred by the Corporation. If the first TEFRA approval period has expired and a second TEFRA notice and hearing are required, Applicant is responsible for all costs associated with the additional TEFRA process.

c. 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) Program fee

Programs	Primary Program Fee		Multiple Program Fees	Total
RRLP only	\$15,360 – RRLP Loan funding		N/A	\$15,360
Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds (MMRB), Non-Competitive Housing Credit, RRLP Loan funding	\$16,489– MMRB	+	\$5,146– RRLP Loan funding + \$5,146 - Non-Competitive Housing Credit	\$26,781
Non-Competitive Housing Credit (to be used with Non-Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds), RRLP Loan funding	\$15,360 – RRLP Loan funding	+	\$5,146– Non-Competitive Housing Credit	\$20,506

(2) Re-underwriting fee: \$198 per hour, not to exceed \$8,715.

If a Housing Credit Development involves Scattered Sites of units within a single market area, a single credit underwriting fee shall be charged. Any Housing Credit Development requiring further analysis by the Credit Underwriter pursuant to Section 42(m)(2) of the IRC will be subject to an hourly fee of \$198. All credit underwriting fees shall be paid by the Applicant prior to the performance of the analysis by the Credit Underwriter.

(3) Extraordinary Services fee: \$198 per hour.

(4) Credit Underwriting Extension Fees

Credit underwriting extension fees are outlined in Exhibit H.

d. Administrative Fees

With respect to the Housing Credit Program, each for-profit Applicant shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable administrative fee in the amount of 9 percent of the annual Housing Credit Allocation amount stated in the Preliminary Allocation. The administrative fee shall be 5.5 percent of the stated annual Housing Credit Allocation for Non-Profit Applicants. The administrative fee must be received by the Corporation as stated in the Preliminary Allocation. In the event the Final Housing Credit Allocation amount exceeds the annual Housing Credit Allocation amount stated in the Preliminary Determination, the Applicant is responsible for paying the applicable administrative fee on the excess amount before IRS Forms 8609 are issued for the Development.

e. 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) Program Fees

Programs	Primary Program Fee		Multiple Program Fees
RRLP Only	A total annual fee comprised of a base fee of \$183 per month + an additional fee per set-aside unit of \$11.24 per year, subject to a minimum of \$286 per month, and subject to an automatic annual increase of 3 percent of the prior year's fee.		
Corporation-issued MMRB/Non-Competitive Housing Credit, with RRLP funding	MMRB and Non-Competitive Housing Credit: A total annual fee comprised of a base fee of \$183 per month + an additional fee per set-aside unit of \$11.24 per year, subject to a minimum of \$286 per month, and subject to an automatic annual increase of 3 percent of the prior year's fee. Where a difference exists between set-aside requirements for MMRB and Housing Credit, the fees collected will be based upon the higher number of Set-Aside Units Set-Aside Units.	+	\$1,023 – RRLP
Non-Competitive Housing Credit (to be used with Non-Corporation-issued Bonds), RRLP funding	Non-Competitive Housing Credit: A total annual fee comprised of a base fee of \$183 per month + an additional fee per set-aside unit of \$11.24 per year, subject to a minimum of \$286 per month, and subject to an automatic annual increase of 3 percent of the prior year's fee. Since fees for the full Housing Credit Extended Use Period will be collected at final allocation, the fee amount is discounted at a rate of 2 percent.	+	\$1,023 – RRLP

(2) Follow-up Reviews/Extraordinary Services fee: \$198 per hour

(3) Link Monitoring Fee: \$1,000

f. Commitment Fees

With respect to the RRLP Program funding, each Applicant to which a firm commitment is granted shall submit to the Corporation a non-refundable commitment fee of 1 percent of the RRLP loan amount upon acceptance of the firm commitment. The Applicant's award of non-competitive Housing Credits, or, if applicable, the MMRB funding will not affect the amount of the Applicant's commitment fee.

- (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.

g. Firm Loan Commitment and Loan Closing Extension Fees

In the event the RRLP loan does not close within the timeframes prescribed, extension fees will be assessed as outlined in Exhibit H.

h. 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 RRLP Loan, and, if applicable, the MMRB Loan, each have 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.

- \$198 per hour for an in-house review of a draw request
- \$198 per hour for on-site inspection fees, up to a maximum of \$1,956 per draw
- \$198 per hour for extraordinary services

(2) Permanent Loan Servicing Fees

- (a) The RRLP 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 \$236 and a maximum monthly fee of \$936, and an hourly fee of \$198 for extraordinary services.
- (b) MMRB loans have 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.
- 2.3 bps of the outstanding bond balance annually, subject to a minimum monthly fee of \$236, and an hourly fee of \$198 for extraordinary services.

Additional legal, cost of issuance, bond underwriting, credit enhancement, liquidity facility and servicing fees associated with the financing shall also be paid by the Applicant.

i. Additional Loan Fees

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

j. Additional RRLP Loan Fees

Applicants receiving RRLP funding will be responsible for all fees associated with the Corporation's legal counsel related to the RRLP Funding.

k. Corporation-issued MMRB Fees

(1) Refundable Good Faith Deposit and Cost of Issuance Fees

- (a) Good Faith Deposit: Good faith deposit means a total deposit equal to one percent of the loan amount reflected in the loan commitment paid by the Applicant to the Corporation. The Applicant shall pay a total deposit equal to one percent of the aggregate principal amount of proposed Taxable and Tax-exempt Bonds, or \$75,000, whichever is greater, to the Corporation, which deposit may be applied toward the Cost of Issuance Fee. The maximum good faith deposit required is \$175,000. The good faith deposit is payable in one installment and is due within 14 Calendar Days of the date the Board of Directors approves the Credit Underwriting Report. If the good faith deposit is exhausted, the Applicant shall be required to pay, within three business days of notice, an additional deposit to ensure payment of the expenses associated with the processing of the Application, the sale of the Bonds, including document production and the securitization of the loan. The good faith deposit shall be remitted by certified check or wire transfer.

In the event the MMRB Loan does not close, the unused portion of the good faith deposit shall be refunded to the Applicant. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Applicant is responsible for all expenses incurred in preparation for loan closing. Any and all costs of the Corporation will be deducted from the good faith deposit prior to refunding any unused funds to the Applicant. In the event that additional invoices are received by the Corporation subsequent to a determination that the MMRB Loan will not close and refunding any unused funds to the Applicant, which invoices related to costs incurred prior to such determination and refunding, Applicant shall be responsible for payment of the balance due as invoiced.

- (b) Cost of Issuance Fee: the Corporation shall require Applicants or participating Qualified Lending Institutions selected for participation in the program, to deliver to the Corporation, or, at the request of the Corporation, directly to the Trustee, before the date of delivery of the Bonds, a Cost of Issuance Fee in an amount determined by the Corporation to be sufficient to pay the costs and expenses relating to issuance of the Bonds, which amount shall be deposited into an account to be held by the Trustee. The Corporation shall provide the Applicant with a good faith estimate of the Cost of Issuance Fee prior to closing. The Applicant shall pay all costs and expenses incurred by the Corporation in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the expenditure of the MMRB Loan proceeds, and provision of Credit Enhancement, if any, even if such costs and expenses exceed the Cost of Issuance Fee. Any amounts remaining in this account at the time the balance is transferred and the account closed pursuant to the trust indenture shall be returned to the Applicant.

(2) Non-refundable TEFRA, HUD Risk Sharing and Appraisal fees

- (a) TEFRA Fee: Applicants shall submit a non-refundable TEFRA fee to the Corporation in the amount of \$1,000 within seven Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter Credit Underwriting. This fee shall be applied to the actual cost of publishing required newspaper advertisements and Florida Administrative Register notices of TEFRA Hearings. If the actual cost of the required publishing exceeds \$1,000, Applicant shall be invoiced for the difference. If a Local Public Fact Finding Hearing is requested, the Applicant shall be responsible for payment of any fees incurred by the Corporation. If the first TEFRA approval period has expired and a second TEFRA notice and hearing are required, Applicant is responsible for all costs associated with the additional TEFRA process.
- (b) Appraisal Fee: Applicants shall submit the required appraisal fee within seven Calendar Days of being invoiced by the Credit Underwriter.
- (c) HUD Risk Sharing Fees: Applicants also using the HUD Risk Sharing

Program for the Development shall be responsible for associated fees, as follows:

- (i) Format II environmental review fee – The fee the Applicant shall pay will be determined by contract between the Corporation and the environmental professional.
- (ii) Subsidy layering review fee – The fee the Applicant shall pay will be determined by the contract between the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter.

(3) Short-Term Bond Redemption and Ongoing Fees

The following fees may not be 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 contracts, including any addendum, for services between Florida Housing Finance Corporation and the professionals involved, as well as on the loan commitment signed by the Applicant and the Corporation.

(a) Short-Term Bond Redemption Fees

Bond Amount	≤ 18-Month	18+ to 24-Month	24+ to 36-Month
Up to \$15 million	33 bps	25 bps	18 bps
Above \$15 million, up to \$20 million	32 bps	24 bps	17 bps
Above \$20 million, up to \$25 million	31 bps	23 bps	16 bps
Above \$25 million, up to \$30 million	30 bps	22 bps	15 bps
Above \$30 million, up to \$40 million	29 bps	21 bps	14 bps
Above \$40 million	28 bps	20 bps	13 bps

Note: The minimum Short-Term Bond Redemption Fee is \$25,000.

(b) Ongoing Fees

Program Administration Fee will be an annual fee of 24 basis points based on the amount of bonds outstanding, but not less than \$10,000 per annum.

Note: The ongoing Program Administration Fee does not include compliance monitoring fees, loan servicing fees, and trustee fees.

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 - \$198 per hour, not to exceed \$1,956 per inspection.

m. Additional Housing Credit Fees

Housing Credit Applicants shall be responsible for all processing fees related to the Housing Credit Program.

n. Assumption/Renegotiation/ Subordination Fees

For all loans, excluding MMRB, 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, excluding MMRB, 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, excluding MMRB, 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.

For all regulatory agreements, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable subordination fee of \$1,000 for each regulatory agreement to be subordinated.

6. 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 by Exhibit H and subsections 67-21.026(11), F.A.C., and, 67-21.014(2), F.A.C., 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 Webpage.

b. Final Cost Certification Application Package (Form FCCAP)

In accordance with subsection 67-21.027(6), F.A.C., the Final Cost Certification Application Package (Form FCCAP), Rev. April 2022, shall be used by an Applicant to

itemize all expenses incurred in association with construction or Rehabilitation of a Housing Credit Development, including Developer and General Contractor fees as described in Rule 67-21.026, F.A.C., and shall be submitted to the Corporation by the earlier of the following two dates:

- (1) The date that is 90 Calendar Days after all the buildings in the Development have been placed in service, as evidenced by the required documentation outlined in the Final Cost Certification Package, or
- (2) The date that is 30 Calendar Days before the end of the calendar year for which the Final Housing Credit Allocation is requested.

The Corporation may grant extensions for good cause upon written request.

The FCCAP shall be completed, executed and submitted to the Corporation for the Housing Credit Development Final Cost Certification (DFCC) and the General Contractor Cost Certification (GCCC) included in the form package, along with the executed Extended Use Agreement and appropriate recording fees, IRS Tax Information Authorization Form 8821 for all Financial Beneficiaries (if requested by the Corporation), a copy of the syndication agreement disclosing the rate and all terms, the required certified public accountant opinion letter for both the DFCC and GCCC, an unmodified audit report prepared by an independent certified public accountant for both the DFCC and GCCC, photographs of the completed Development, the monitoring fee, and documentation of the placed-in-service date as specified in the Form FCCAP instructions. The Final Housing Credit Allocation will not be issued until such time as all required items are received and processed by the Corporation.

Form FCCAP, Rev. April 2022, is available on the RFA Webpage.

c. Financial Reporting Form SR-1

Following the end of the RRLP loan term, within 151 Calendar Days following the Applicant's fiscal year end the Applicant shall continue to provide the Corporation with an audited financial statement and a fully completed and executed Financial Reporting Form SR-1, Rev. 01-23 pursuant to subsection 67-21.027(8), F.A.C., with regard to the Non-Competitive Housing Credits and, if applicable, subsection 67-21.008(16), F.A.C., with regard to MMRB. The audited financial statement and a copy of the signed Form SR-1, with Parts 1, 2, and 5 completed, shall be submitted in both PDF format and in electronic form as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet to the Corporation at the following web address: financial.reporting@floridahousing.org.

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](#)).

d. 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 Exhibit H for

RRLP, and, if applicable, sub-paragraph 67-21.014(2)(j)2., F.A.C. for MMRB) 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 Webpage.

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."

e. 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](#)).

f. Tax-Exempt Bond-Financed Developments receiving bonds issued by a Public Housing Authority (established under Chapter 421, F.A.C.) or a Local Government (as defined in Section 420.503, F.S.) shall:

- (1) Be subject to the Credit Underwriting fees as set forth in the RFA. Failure to submit the required Credit Underwriting fee to the Credit Underwriter within seven Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter Credit Underwriting shall result in withdrawal of the invitation;
- (2) Participate in the Credit Underwriting process pursuant to Rule 67-21.026, F.A.C.;
- (3) Receive a Preliminary Determination prior to the bonds being issued if the Corporation receives a Credit Underwriting report prepared by one of the Corporation's contracted Credit Underwriters which meets the criteria required pursuant to Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., and recommends a Housing Credit Allocation and the issuance of Tax-exempt Bonds, and receives evidence of a loan commitment in reference to the Tax-exempt Bonds where the amount of the Bonds is at least 50 percent or more of the aggregate basis of any building and the land on which the building is located;
- (4) Be subject to the administrative fee specified in the RFA. The administrative fee must be paid within seven Calendar Days of the date of the Preliminary Determination;
- (5) Be subject to a Developer Fee limitation as specified in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., and the RFA;

- (6) Be subject to the provisions of Part I (administration) and Part III (Housing Credit Program) of Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.;
 - (7) If requested by the Corporation, provide an IRS Form 8821 for each Financial Beneficiary of the Development, as defined in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., prior to Final Housing Credit Allocation;
 - (8) Be subject to the provisions of Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., pertaining to the required Extended Use Agreement;
 - (9) Be subject to the monitoring fee specified in the RFA; and
 - (10) Receive Building Identification Numbers from the Corporation upon satisfying the above requirements and the Final Cost Certification Application Package requirements of Rule 67-21.027, F.A.C.
- g. Term of the RRLP Loan, Affordability Period, and Land Use Restriction Agreement (LURA)
- (1) Exhibit H applies to the RRLP Loan.
 - (2) Affordability Commitment and Compliance Period will be 50 years for all Applicants as set forth in the LURA.
 - (4) If Applicant is using Housing Credits, Applicants will waive the right to seek a qualified contract.

If the Corporation does not provide a qualified contract within the one-year period, and the Applicant repays the Loan principal and interest in full, the LURA will terminate in conjunction with the Housing Credit Extended Use Agreement (EUA), upon full repayment of loan. Additionally, the corresponding three-year tail for termination of tenancy and any increase in gross rent will apply to the proposed development. The LURA will not terminate until the Loan is paid in full.

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:
 - a. Respond to the invitation by accessing the development work center through the Procorem secure portal and submit the credit underwriting fee(s), which includes the TEFRA Fee, if applicable, as outlined in Item 4 of Exhibit C, pursuant to this RFA; and
 - b. If the Applicant is receiving Housing Credits, verification that the Development either qualifies as a USDA-eligible rural address or does not qualify as a USDA-eligible rural address. Addresses can be verified by visiting <https://eligibility.sc.egov.usda.gov/eligibility/welcomeAction.do>
 - c. If the Applicant is receiving Corporation-issued MMRB, the Credit Enhancer's Commitment or Bond Purchaser's Letter of Interest, including a contact person's name, address and telephone number, credit underwriting standards and an outline of proposed terms, must be provided. The stated amount of the Commitment or Letter of Interest shall not be less than the proposed principal amount of the bonds (including any proposed Taxable Bonds);
 - d. If the Applicant is using Non-Corporation-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds, a copy of the following documentation must be provided, as applicable:
 - (1) If the Credit Underwriting for the bonds is complete and it was prepared by a Credit Underwriter under contract with the Corporation, provide a complete copy of the final Credit Underwriting Report; or
 - (2) If the Credit Underwriting for the bonds has not been completed or has been completed by a credit underwriter not under contract with the Corporation, provide the name of the assigned credit underwriter and a copy of the inducement resolution or acknowledgement resolution awarding the bonds.
 - e. If the Applicant is using Tax-Exempt Bonds, confirmation that the bonds have not closed since the Application Deadline.
2. Within 14 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, if requested by the Corporation, submit IRS Form 8821 for all Financial Beneficiaries as defined in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C.
3. Within 21 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, submit all of the following. Submission of all documents should be provided electronically to the Corporation at one time.

- a. If the Applicant is receiving Housing Credits, provide the name, mailing address, and email address of the chief elected official of the local jurisdiction where the proposed Development is located;
- b. If the Applicant is receiving Housing Credits, provide notification of the Applicant's eligibility for acquisition credits per Section 42 of the IRC, if applicable;
- c. If the Applicant is receiving Housing Credits, provide the Applicant's Federal Identification Number and the Employer Identification Number ("EIN") Certificate. If the number has not yet been obtained, the Applicant will be required to provide a copy of the completed, submitted application for that number.
- d. 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 (Forms Rev. 07-2022) which are available on the RFA Webpage. 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;
- e. Demonstrate that electricity and roads are available to the entire proposed Development site as of the date signed by providing the following:
 - (1) The properly completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Verification of Availability of Infrastructure form (Form Rev. 08-20) which is available on the RFA Webpage; or
 - (2) Documentation from the service provider that contains the Development location and is dated within 12 months of the Application Deadline. The documentation 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.
- f. 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: provide the prior experience chart, 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 Housing Credits form and the Florida Housing Finance Corporation Attorney Certification for MMRB, SAIL, HOME and/or other Gap Loans form and, if applicable, Housing Credits form.
- (5) Identify the Accountant by providing the completed and executed Florida Housing Finance Corporation Certification of Accountant form.

The certification forms (Forms Rev. 08-2022) are available on the RFA Webpage. Note: The use of any prior version of these forms will not be acceptable to meet this requirement.

- f. With the exception of Developments financed with HUD Section 811 or United States Department of Agriculture RD program, , the Tenant Selection Plan shall be submitted by the owner to the Corporation for review and approval. The Tenant Selection Plan Guidelines and Tenant Selection Plan Checklist can be found on the webpage <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive> (also available by clicking [here](#)). Exhibit G of the RFA also describes requirements for tenant selection policies. If a Development has a Housing Assistance Payment and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD, the Tenant Selection Plan must be sent to the Corporation for preliminary approval before sending to HUD. Note: HUD approval may take several months. HUD approval shall be demonstrated to the Corporation prior to the completion of the final credit underwriting report;
- g. Provide confirmation that the owner will submit the fully executed Link MOU for the Corporation's approval within nine months of the invitation to enter into credit underwriting, as described in Exhibit E;
- h. Provide confirmation that all construction features committed to and proposed by the Applicant shall be located on the Development site;
- i. 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;
- j. 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 Applicant 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;

- k. Provide confirmation that the proposed equity amount to be paid prior to or simultaneous with the closing of construction financing is at least 15 percent of the total proposed equity to be provided (the 15 percent criteria), subject to the following:
 - (1) If syndicating/selling the Housing Credits, there are two exceptions to the preceding sentence. First, if there is a bridge loan proposal within the equity proposal that provides for bridge loan proceeds that equal at least 15 percent of the amount of total proposed equity to be provided to be made available prior to or simultaneous with closing of construction financing, the 15 percent criteria will be met. Second, if there is a separate bridge loan proposal from either the equity provider, any entity that is controlled directly or indirectly by the equity provider, or a subsidiary of the equity provider's parent holding company, and the proposal explicitly proposes an amount to be made available prior to or simultaneous with the closing of construction financing that equals at least 15 percent of the total proposed equity to be paid stated in the equity proposal, the 15 percent criteria is met. Bridge loan proposals that are not within the equity proposal, though, must meet the criteria previously stated for debt financing with the exception that evidence of ability to fund does not have to be provided. The Applicant may include the proposed amount of the bridge loan as equity proceeds on the Construction or Rehabilitation Analysis and on the Permanent Analysis (Note: this 15 percent criteria must be reflected in the limited partnership agreement or limited liability company operating agreement); or
 - (2) If not syndicating/selling the Housing Credits, proceeds from a bridge loan will not count toward meeting the 15 percent criteria;
- l. If there are existing occupied units as of Application Deadline, provide to the Credit Underwriter a plan for relocation of existing tenants. The plan shall provide information regarding the relocation site; accommodations relevant to the needs of the residents and length of time residents will be displaced; moving and storage of the contents of a resident's dwelling units; as well as the approach to inform and prepare the residents for the rehabilitation activities;
- m. If the Applicant indicated that the proposed Development is the first phase of a multiphase Development, submit to the Corporation an opinion letter by a licensed attorney that the Development meets the definition of a "multiphase project" as defined in the Federal Register. The letter must also include: (a) the name of the declared first phase Development and the Corporation-assigned Application number, (b) the total number of phases and the projected Development name for each phase, (c) the total number of buildings in each phase, (d) the expected completion date for each phase, and (e) any other information as determined by the Corporation and stated in the invitation to enter credit underwriting;

- n. If the Applicant indicated that the proposed Development is a subsequent phase of a multiphase Development, the Development's status as a subsequent phase will be verified in credit underwriting. If the Development does not qualify and the Applicant's Housing Credit request is based on such contention and, during the credit underwriting process it is determined that the proposed Development does not meet the criteria for such distinction, the Applicant's Competitive Housing Credit award may be rescinded; and
 - o. Provide confirmation that the limited partnership agreement or limited liability operating agreement will comply with the operating deficit reserve requirement outlined in Section Four A.10.c.(4) of the RFA.
4. The Applicant will submit the fully executed Link MOU for the Corporation's approval within nine months of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, as described in Exhibit E;
 5. The credit underwriting process must be complete within the timeframe outlined in Exhibit H;
 6. The RRLP loan must close within the timeframe outlined in Exhibit H. Applicants that are 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 twelve months of the Applicant's acceptance enter into credit underwriting;
 7. By Certificate of Occupancy, the Applicant commits to participate in the statewide housing locator system, as required by the Corporation; and
 8. The Credit Underwriter will provide an itemized list for additional documentation including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Information outlined in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., and Exhibit H;
 - b. 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;
 - c. 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. The Americans with Disabilities Act Certification forms (Rev. 02-20) are available on the RFA Webpage;
 - d. If the Applicant is requesting 4% Housing Credit that will be used with County HFA-issued Tax-Exempt Bonds and the Applicant indicates that the proposed Development is eligible for the basis boost, the Applicant will be required to provide a letter certifying the date the bond application was deemed complete; and
 - e. If the Application stated that it involved demolition of an existing, occupied Development, that it meets the criteria outlined in Section Four, A.4.b. of the RFA.

9. 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 and Section 42 of the IRC, if applicable;
 - c. The proposed Development's ability to meet the Enhanced Structural Systems Construction qualifications;
 - d. Calculation of eligible basis which may cause a reduction in the Housing Credit Allocation. This may include review of the location of buildings and whether all buildings are eligible for the eligible basis boost, if applicable;
 - e. With the exception of Developments financed with HUD Section 811 or United States Department of Agriculture RD program, , Developments that have a Housing Assistance Payment and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD, must demonstrate HUD approval within a Tenant Selection Plan 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; and
 - f. The proposed Development's first phase or subsequent phase's status.

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 or United States Department of Agriculture RD program, and Applicants that select the Elderly ALF Demographic Commitment, 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 current list of designated Special Needs Household Referral Agencies for each county is published on the Corporation's Website under the Quick Links section at <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/special-needs-housing-overview/serving-special-needs> (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 Corporation's website at <https://www.floridahousing.org/programs/developers-multifamily-programs/competitive/link-units-for-persons-with-special-needs-information> (also accessible by clicking [here](#)).

- 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. As stated in Exhibit D, within nine months of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting, submit the fully executed Link MOU for the Corporation's approval. 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. For Developments with a Housing Assistance Payment contract and/or an Annual Contributions Contract with HUD: The waiting list section of the Tenant Selection Plan shall establish selection preferences or a section for special admissions specifically for individuals or families who are referred by a designated Referral Agency. The Tenant Selection Plan shall be submitted by the owner to the Corporation for review and preliminary approval before sending to HUD. HUD approval may take several months. 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. When the Development is an Acquisition/Rehabilitation Development that is occupied at the earlier of either loan closing or the site acquisition or the date of the Carryover Allocation Agreement, all units (at any AMI set-aside level) that become available and are suitable for occupancy and ready to lease shall be prioritized for intended households referred by the Referral Agency until the Link requirement has been met.
- E. 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.
- F. 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.
- G. 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.
- H. 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.
- I. 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.
- C. The Compliance Period committed to in the RFA also includes the units set aside for the Demographic Commitments, which includes the commitments for Link and ELI Households. The affordability period committed to in the RFA includes the units set aside for ELI Households. Although the percentage of units committed to must remain in effect for the entire Compliance Period, the units designated for the Demographic Commitment and AMI commitment must not be limited to the same units throughout the Compliance Period. Doing so may cause the Development to be in non-compliance with Section 42.

Exhibit F – intentionally omitted

Exhibit G - Tenant Selection Requirements

A written Tenant Selection Plan must be provided that reflects the requirements described in this Exhibit G.

Tenant Selection Criteria for Extremely Low Income (ELI) Household

Screening criteria for ELI households

The Applicant must adhere to the following tenant selection criteria when evaluating the eligibility of a household applying for tenancy in a unit set aside for Extremely Low Income (ELI) Households:

- Credit History: The credit history related to medical expenses, cable and internet services will not be taken into consideration when conducting credit checks.
- Income Requirement Policy: The household monthly income must not be required to be more than two times the monthly rent. (e.g., If the monthly rent is \$500, the household monthly income will not be required to exceed \$1,000.)
- Evictions: The eviction history look-back period must not be more than 5 years. A household is permitted one eviction during the 5-year look-back period, unless the eviction was due to causing physical harm to development staff, tenants, or intentional property damage.

Tenant application fees and deposits for ELI households

The Applicant must adhere to the following tenant application fees and deposits requirements for a household applying for tenancy in a unit set aside for extremely low income households:

- It is prohibited to charge a fee to a household that is applying for tenancy in a unit that is set aside for extremely low-income households for the purposes of reserving or holding a unit.
- The application for tenancy fee will be no more than \$35 per adult in a household.
- A security deposit for new tenant households will be not more than the amount of one month's rent.

For Development with requirements for Link/Special Needs requirements

The Tenant Selection Plans must include a Preference in their Waiting List section. Owners must create a preference specifically for individuals or families who are referred by a Florida Housing-designated Special Needs Referral Agency. The Tenant Selection Plan must include the following language:

This Development has adopted a preference to house X number of units of the Extremely Low Income (ELI) units within the Development to be set aside for Persons with Special Needs as defined in 420.0004(13) Florida Statutes. These set aside units are known as Link units. These units shall be set aside specifically for individuals or families who are referred by a Florida Housing-designated Referral Agency. The Development must prioritize these referred individuals for an available Link unit.

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.

- The Tenant Selection Plan shall be submitted by the Applicant to the Corporation for approval within 21 Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting.

Properties with HUD assistance, including Project-Based Assistance, Public Housing Agencies, and those administering Public Housing Programs

Properties that have contracts with HUD or Public Housing Authorities' rental assistance programs and also have the Florida Housing Link/Special Needs requirement must handle their waiting list to reflect both HUD and Florida Housing requirements. In order to do this, Florida Housing has determined that establishing an owner-adopted preference with a Florida Housing-designated Special Needs Referral Agency is the correct method for complying with Florida Housing and HUD requirements.

- The Waiting List section of the Tenant Selection Plan must include a preference for Special Needs households that are referred by a Florida Housing-designated Special Needs Household Referral Agency.
- HUD regulations require Tenant Selection Plans that implement preferences to have HUD approval. This is the case if there are new Plans in new properties, as well redevelopment, RAD conversions, or substantially rehabilitated properties.
- If a Development has an existing Tenant Selection Plan, Applicant must amend the Plan. Applicants are required to submit the amended Plan with the preferences to their account manager in the field office. The Plan must be sent to the Corporation for preliminary approval before sending to HUD.

Additional Tenant Selection Criteria for All Households

Screening criteria for all households

The Applicant must adhere to the following tenant selection criteria when evaluating the eligibility of all households applying for tenancy:

- Arrest Record: The arrest record of a household member will not be considered when determining any household's application for tenancy.
- Rental Assistance: For households with publicly funded rental assistance, the income requirement will be based on the household's paid portion of the rent.

Application for Tenancy

Applicant must provide to all interested households a tenancy packet for the Development that includes and prominently places the following information:

- The tenant selection approach and criteria used to evaluate and determine a household's application for tenancy. The criteria under which a household was screened and evaluated, as well as the determination, must be included in each tenant household's file.
- The approach regarding a household's notification and appeal process and timeline if the household's application is rejected or determined ineligible.
- A description of reasonable accommodations or reasonable modifications for persons with disabilities, pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The description shall include accommodations that must be considered by the Development such as physical dwelling unit modifications for greater accessibility and use, as well as individualized assessments of mitigating factors related to a disability that adversely affected a household's credit, eviction, or criminal history. The description shall also include the process for requesting a reasonable accommodation, the determination approach, and decision-making timelines.
- A description of an applying household's or existing tenant's housing protections pursuant to the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA). The description will include that applying households may request the Development to conduct an individualized assessment of mitigating factors related to being a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking that adversely affected the household's credit, eviction, or criminal history.

Notification of Rejection or Ineligibility for Tenancy

The Tenant Selection Plan must describe the process for notification of rejection and ineligibility. The policy must include the following:

- The notification of any household that their application for tenancy was rejected or determined ineligible through a documented process such as a written letter or email to the address provided by the household.
- The notification will be provided to a household within 5 business days from the day the determination is made.
- The notice must include information regarding:
 - The reasons a household's application for tenancy was rejected or determined ineligible.
 - A household's right to appeal the Development's decision, as well as complete instructions regarding how a household may appeal the decision.

Federal Accessibility Requirements

The Tenant Selection Plan must include a statement that the Development meets the following accessibility federal requirements, incorporating the most recent amendments, regulations, and rules:

- The Fair Housing Act as implemented by 24 CFR 100
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as implemented by 28 CFR 35

Exhibit H –Credit Underwriting and RRLP Program Requirements

A. Selection Procedures for Developments

- (1) Applications shall be limited to one submission per subject property. Two or more Applications, submitted in the same competitive solicitation 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:
 - (a) Any part of any of the property sites is contiguous with any part of any of the other property sites, or
 - (b) Any of the property sites are divided by a street or easement, or
 - (c) 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.

- (2) An Applicant shall be ineligible for funding the Applicant or Affiliate of the Applicant has made fraudulent or material misrepresentation as set forth in Section 420.518, F.S.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, 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:
 - (a) Name of Applicant or Developer entity(s); notwithstanding the foregoing, the name of the Applicant or Developer entity(s) may be changed only by written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. 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. Any allowable change to the natural person Principals of a Public Housing Authority or officers and/or directors of a non-profit entity will apply to all preliminarily awarded Applications and Applications pending final Board action that include the Public Housing Authority or non-profit entity. Any allowable replacement of a Principal that was identified as the experienced Developer in a competitive solicitation must meet the experience requirements met by the original Principal;
 - (b) 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 Corporation after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. 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;

- (c) Program(s) applied for;
- (d) Applicant applying as a Non-Profit or for-profit organization;
- (e) 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 provided the Development Location Point is on the site and, if applicable, the total proximity points awarded during scoring are not reduced. In addition, if the increase or decrease 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;
- (f) Development Category;
- (g) Development Type; notwithstanding the foregoing, the Development Type may be changed only by written request of an Applicant to Corporation staff and approval of the Corporation after the Applicant has been invited to enter credit underwriting. 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;
- (h) Demographic Commitment;
- (i) 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;
- (j) The Total Set-Aside Percentage as stated in the last row of the total set-aside breakdown chart for the program(s) applied for in the Set-Aside Commitment section of the Application. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Total Set-Aside Percentage 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;
- (k) Funding Request Amount, exclusive of adjustments by the Corporation as outlined in the RFA.

- (4) 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.
- (5) 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 this RFA 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.
- (6) 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.
- (7) If the Applicant or any Principal, Financial Beneficiary or Affiliate of the 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 Principal, Financial Beneficiary or 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 Principal, Financial Beneficiary or Affiliate of the Applicant will be withdrawn. Such Applicant and any of such Applicant's Principals, Financial Beneficiaries or Affiliates will be ineligible for funding or allocation in any program administered by the Corporation in accordance with the procedure set forth in (2), above.

B. Credit Underwriting and Loan Procedures

Credit underwriting is a de novo review of all information supplied, received or discovered during or after any competitive solicitation 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 program requirements and determine a recommended RRLP loan amounts. 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 this RFA.

- (1) After the Board's decision to select Applicants for funding as a result of a competitive solicitation process has become final action, the Corporation shall offer such Applicants an invitation to enter credit underwriting. The Corporation shall select the Credit Underwriter for each Development. For purposes of this section, a decision regarding an Applicant will become final action:
 - (a) If none of the Board's selections of Applicants for funding are challenged pursuant to section 120.57(3), F.S.;
 - (b) If some of the Board's selections of other Applicants for funding are challenged pursuant to section 120.57(3), F.S., but none of the challenges could impact the decision to select the Applicant for funding, or
 - (c) When the Board or Corporation issues a final order as a result of a challenge pursuant to section 120.57(3), F.S.
- (2) The invitation to enter credit underwriting constitutes a preliminary commitment.
- (3) A response to the invitation to enter credit underwriting must be received by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter not later than seven (7) 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 the RFA and any other funding where that list of eligible Applications will be used.
- (4) If the invitation to enter credit underwriting is accepted:
 - (a) All Applicants shall submit the credit underwriting fee to the Credit Underwriter within seven (7) Calendar Days of the date of the invitation to enter credit underwriting. In addition, if requested by the Corporation, 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.
 - (b) Failure to submit the required credit underwriting fee by the specified deadline shall result in withdrawal of the invitation.
 - (c) The credit underwriting process must be completed within the time frame outlined in (21) below and the loan must close within the time frame outlined in (26) below.
- (5) 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.

- (6) 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.
- (a) 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:
1. Considering all affordable housing developments in which any party named above has been involved, if:
 - a. 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
 - b. 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.
 2. 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.
- (b) A negative recommendation may also result from the review of:
1. Financial capacity of an Applicant, Developer, any Financial Beneficiary of

the Applicant or Developer, or the General Contractor, or

2. 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.
- (7) The Credit Underwriter shall report any inconsistencies or discrepancies or changes made to the Applicant's Application during credit underwriting.
 - (8) The Applicant will be responsible for all fees in connection with the documentation submitted to the Credit Underwriter.
 - (9) 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.
 - (10) An appraisal report conforming to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice in effect at the time of the appraisal and reported in a comprehensive format, 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. Appraisals which have been ordered and submitted by third-party credit enhancers, first mortgagors or Housing Credit Syndicators 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 RRLP 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. For the Credit Underwriter to make a favorable recommendation, the submarket of the proposed Development must have:
 - (a) An average physical occupancy rate of 92 percent or greater; and,
 - (b) For Developments with new construction units, an average market rental rate, based on unit mix and annualized rent concessions, of 110 percent or greater of a 60 percent of Area Median Income rental rate.
 - (11) The minimum debt service coverage shall be 1.10x for the loan, including all superior mortgages. However, if the Applicant defers at least 35 percent of its Developer Fee following the last disbursement of all permanent sources of funding identified in the final credit underwriting report and when the primary expected source of repayment has been identified as projected cash flow, the minimum debt service coverage shall be 1.00x for the

- RRLP loan, including all superior mortgages. The maximum debt service coverage shall be 1.50x for the RRLP 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.
- (12) 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 a pre-construction analysis for all new construction units and review the Development's costs.
- (13) 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.
- (a) The initial replacement reserve will have limitations on the ability to be drawn upon during the following time periods:
- Developments shall not be allowed to draw during the first five (5) years or until the establishment of a minimum balance equal to the accumulation of five (5) years of replacement reserves per unit.
- (b) The amount established as a replacement reserve shall be adjusted based on a CNA prepared by an independent third-party, ordered by a first mortgage lender, third-party credit enhancer, received by the Corporation or its servicers, and acceptable to the Corporation and its servicers at the time the CNA is required, beginning no later than the 10th year after the first residential building in the Development receives a certificate of occupancy, a temporary certificate of occupancy, or is placed in service, whichever is earlier ('Initial Replacement Reserve Date'). A subsequent CNA, meeting the parameters of this section, is required no later than the 15th year after the Initial Replacement Reserve Date and subsequently every five (5) years thereafter. If the Applicant does not provide a copy of a CNA to the Corporation or its servicers, prepared by an independent third-party and acceptable to the Corporation and its servicers within the stated time frames, then one shall be ordered by the Corporation or its servicers at the Applicant's expense. The only events allowed to drop the balance below the minimum are items related to life safety, structural and systems as approved by the Corporation and its servicers. In the event the first mortgage lender requires replacement reserves with replacement reserve deposit requirements that include the same or higher deposits, the Corporation's rights to hold replacement reserves and to disburse such funds shall be subject to the first mortgage lender. The replacement reserve funds 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 eligible items which can be identified in a competitive solicitation and/or such items that can be capitalized and depreciated over multiple years. An Applicant may choose to fund a portion of the replacement reserves at closing. Unless approved by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter, the amount cannot exceed 50 percent of the required replacement reserves for two (2) years and must be placed in escrow at closing.

- (14) The Credit Underwriter may request additional information, but at a minimum the following will be required during the underwriting process:
- (a) 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's senior long term debt rating is at least "A3" by Moody's, or "A-" by Standard and Poor's or Fitch.
 - (b) 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 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 of this RFA.
 - (c) 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.
- (15) Each general partner (whether individual or entity) or each manager/managing member (whether individual or 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 manager/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 Corporation shall consider the following when determining

the need for additional construction completion guarantees based on the recommendations of the Credit underwriter:

- (a) Liquidity of any guarantee provider.
- (b) Applicant's, Developer's and General Contractor's history in successfully completing Developments of similar nature.
- (c) The past performance of the Applicant, Developer, General Contractor or any other guarantee provider in developing or constructing Developments financed by the Corporation or its predecessor.
- (d) Percentage of the Corporation's funds utilized compared to Total Development Costs.

If, after evaluation of paragraphs (a)-(d), above, by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter, it is determined that additional surety is needed, the Applicant will be required to provide a letter of credit or payment and performance bond.

(16) For all Developments, the Developer Fee and General Contractor's fee shall be limited to:

- (a) The Developer Fee shall be limited to 16* percent of Development Cost, excluding land and operating deficit reserves. Consulting fees include payments for Application consultants, construction management or supervision, Local Government consultants and property acquisition brokerage fees when in excess of the appropriate limit. The maximum brokerage fees shall be limited to the lesser of \$300,000 or the applicable percent of the acquisition price, which shall be set at 4 percent when the acquisition price is \$5 million or less, 3 percent when the acquisition price is \$10 million or less, and 2 percent when the acquisition price is in excess of \$10 million. Brokerage fees paid to an Affiliate of the Applicant or Developer or to employees on the Developer's payroll will be considered part of the Developer Fee.

*If Tax-Exempt Bond Financing and Non-Competitive Housing Credits are utilized, the Developer Fee shall be limited to 18 percent.

- (b) The General Contractor's fee shall be limited to a maximum of 14 percent of the actual construction cost.

(17) The General Contractor must meet the following conditions:

- (a) Employ a Development superintendent and charge the costs of such employment to the general requirements line item of the General Contractor's budget;
- (b) 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 inclusive of the general requirement items related to construction costs identified in the final cost certification documentation;

- (c) Secure building permits, issued in the name of the General Contractor;
- (d) If deemed necessary by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter in their evaluation of construction completion guarantees in (15), above, secure a payment and performance bond whose terms do not adversely affect the Corporation's interest, issued in the name of the General Contractor, from a company rated at least "A-" by AMBest & Co., or a Corporation-approved alternate security for the General Contractor's performance such as a letter of credit issued by a financial institution with a senior long term (or equivalent) credit rating of at least "Baa3" by Moody's, or at least "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's or Fitch, or a financial rating of at least 175 by IDC Financial Publishing;
- (e) Ensure that none of the General Contractor duties to manage and control the construction of the Development are subcontracted;
- (f) Ensure that no construction or inspection work is performed by the General Contractor, with the following exceptions:
 1. The General Contractor may perform its duties to manage and control the construction of the Development; and
 2. The General Contractor may self-perform work of a de minimis amount, defined for purposes of this subparagraph as the lesser of \$350,000 or 5 percent of the construction contract;
- (g) Unless otherwise approved by the Corporation for a specific Development, ensure that not more than 20 percent of the construction cost, not to include the General Contractor fee or pass-through fees paid by the General Contractor, is subcontracted to any one entity or any group of entities that have common ownership or are Affiliates of any other subcontractor, with the exception of a subcontractor (or any group of entities that have common ownership or are Affiliates of any other subcontractor):
 1. Contracted to deliver the building shell of a building less than five (5) stories which may not have more than 25 percent of the construction cost in a subcontract, unless otherwise approved by the Corporation for a specific Development; or
 2. Contracted to deliver the building shell of a building of at least five (5) stories which may not have more than 31 percent of the construction cost in a subcontract, unless otherwise approved by the Corporation for a specific Development.

With regard to said approval, the Corporation shall require an analysis from the Credit Underwriter and consider the facts and circumstances of each Applicant's request, inclusive of construction costs and the General Contractor's fees. For purposes of paragraph (g), "Affiliate" has the meaning given in subsection 67-21, F.A.C., except that the term "Applicant" therein shall mean "subcontractor"; and,

- (h) Ensure that no construction cost is subcontracted to any entity that has common ownership or is an Affiliate of the General Contractor or the Developer. For purposes of this paragraph, "Affiliate" has the meaning given it in subsection 67-21,

F.A.C., except that the term “Applicant” therein shall mean “General Contractor.”

- (18) The Credit Underwriter shall require an operating deficit guarantee. Upon written request of the guarantor(s) to the Corporation or its agent, the operating deficit guarantee will be released upon achievement of a 1.15x debt service coverage ratio for the combined permanent first mortgage and RRLP 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, all 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. The Credit Underwriter or servicer will determine whether all of the requirements described above have been met, including receipt, acceptance and verification of the documentation provided by the Certified Public Accountant, and will then submit a letter to the Corporation containing a positive or negative recommendation concerning the release of the operating deficit guarantee. If the Corporation’s decision is to deny the release of the operating deficit guarantee, the Board shall consider the facts and circumstances of the Applicant’s request and the Corporation’s denial, and make a determination of whether to grant the requested release. Notwithstanding the above, the operating deficit guarantee shall not be released earlier than three (3) years following the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy or, in the event a final certificate of occupancy is not routinely provided by the applicable jurisdiction, such other information evidencing completion of the Development which is deemed acceptable to the Corporation. An operating deficit guarantee, to be released upon achievement of 1.00x debt service coverage for a minimum of six (6) consecutive months for the combined permanent first mortgage and RRLP 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 RRLP loan and all superior mortgages.
- (19) Contingency reserves which total no more than 5 percent of total actual construction costs (hard costs) and total general development costs (soft costs) may be included within the Total Development Cost for Application and underwriting purposes. Contingency reserves shall not be paid from RRLP funds.
- (20) 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.
- (21) Information required by the Credit Underwriter shall be provided as follows:
- (a) The Corporation shall issue a firm loan commitment after approval of the Credit Underwriter’s recommendation for funding by the Board.
 - (b) The firm loan commitment must be issued by the date of the Board of Directors meeting immediately following 12 months after the Applicant is invited to enter credit underwriting. Unless an extension is approved by the Board, failure to achieve 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 Board 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 deadline is approved. If an approved extension is utilized, Applicants must pay the extension fee not later than seven Calendar Days after the Board approves the extension of the original deadline. If, by the end of the extension period, the Applicant has not received a firm loan commitment, then the preliminary commitment shall be withdrawn.

- (22) 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 Development 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.
- (23) 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.
- (24) The Credit Underwriter's loan recommendations will be sent to the Board for approval.
- (25) The Corporation shall issue a firm loan commitment within seven (7) Calendar Days after approval of the Credit Underwriter's recommendation for funding by the Board.

- (26) These Corporation loans and other mortgage loans related to the Development must close by the date of the Board of Directors meeting immediately following 180 Calendar Days from 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 (1) 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 (1) percent of each Corporation loan amount if the Board approves the request to extend the loan closing deadline beyond the applicable period outlined above. If an approved extension is utilized, Applicants must pay the extension fee not later than seven (7) Calendar Days after the Board approves the request to extend the original loan closing deadline. 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.
- (27) Prior to any loan closing:
- (a) 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,
 - (b) 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.

C. Miscellaneous Criteria

- (1) 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 and the Extended Use Agreement.
- (2) Total Development Cost includes the following:
 - (a) 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.
 - (b) The cost of site preparation, demolition, and development.

- (c) Any expenses relating to the issuance of tax-exempt bonds or taxable bonds related to the particular Development.
 - (d) 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. However, fees of the Applicant's or Developer's attorney(s) awarded in conjunction with litigation against the Corporation with respect to a Development shall not be included in Total Development Cost.
 - (e) The cost of studies, surveys, plans, permits, insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs, and other operating and carrying costs during construction or reconstruction of the Development.
 - (f) The cost of the construction and equipping of the Development.
 - (g) 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.
 - (h) Expenses in connection with initial occupancy of the Development.
 - (i) Allowances for contingency reserves and any anticipated operating reserves as recommended by the Credit Underwriter and approved by the Corporation.
 - (j) The cost of such other items, including relocation costs, indemnity and surety bonds, premiums on insurance, and fees and expenses of trustees, depositories, and paying agents for the Corporation's bonds, for the construction of the Development.
- (3) In determining the income standards of Eligible Persons for its various programs, the Corporation shall take into account the following factors:
- (a) Requirements mandated by federal law;
 - (b) Variations in circumstances in the different areas of the state;
 - (c) Whether the determination is for rental housing; and
 - (d) The need for family size adjustments to accomplish the purposes set forth in this RFA.
- (4) Financial Beneficiary and Affiliate, as defined in Rule Chapter 67-21, F.A.C., 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 Part B above.
- (5) 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.
- (6) The Corporation must approve, pursuant to rule chapter 67-53, F.A.C., the Applicant's selection of a management company prior to for the leasing of any units in the Development. The owner of a Development must notify the Corporation of an intended change in the management company prior to such company assuming responsibility for the Development.
- (7) Disclosure of the Principals of the Applicant must comply with the following:
- (a) The Applicant must disclose all of the Principals of the Applicant (first principal disclosure level). For Applicants seeking Housing Credits, the Housing Credit Syndicator/Housing Credit investor need only be disclosed at the first principal disclosure level and no other disclosure is required;
 - (b) The Applicant must disclose all of the Principals of all the entities identified in paragraph (a) above (second principal disclosure level);
 - (c) The Applicant must 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, the Applicant must disclose all of the Principals of the trust (fourth principal disclosure level), all of whom must be natural persons.
- (8) Disclosure of the Principals of each Developer must comply with the following:
- (a) The Applicant must disclose all of the Principals of the Developer (first principal disclosure level); and
 - (b) The Applicant must disclose all of the Principals of all the entities identified in paragraph (a) above (second principal disclosure level).

D. Programs Requirements and Terms and Conditions of the RRLP Loan

- (1) An Applicant is not eligible to apply for RRLP funding if any of the following pertain:
- (a) Construction or construction-permanent financing of the costs associated with construction of the Development, including tax-exempt bonds or conventional financing with conversion clauses, has closed or will close prior to the date of the preliminary commitment for the RRLP funding.
 - (b) 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 RRLP funding withdrawing

acceptance of such allocation or commitment and returning the previously awarded HC funding.

- (c) A preliminary commitment of funding for the proposed Development through the SAIL Program or the HOME Program has already been accepted, unless written notice has been provided to the Corporation prior to the deadline to apply for the RRLP funding withdrawing such acceptance and returning the prior SAIL Program or HOME Program funding.
 - (d) 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 the LURA was recorded in conjunction with the Predevelopment Loan Program.
- (2) The RRLP funds shall be used for the construction of affordable, safe and sanitary multifamily rental housing units.
 - (3) The RRLP 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.
 - (4) The RRLP Minimum Set-Aside Requirements are Outlined in Section Four A.6. of the RFA.
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 RRLP loan closing date. For a period of 12 months beginning on the RRLP loan closing date (the "transition period"), the failure to satisfy the set-aside requirements shall not cause noncompliance.
 - (5) The base loan shall be non-amortizing and shall have interest rates as follows:
 - (a) 0 percent simple interest per annum on the pro-rata portion of the base loan attributable to ELI units over the life of the loan; and
 - (b) 1 percent simple interest per annum on the pro-rata portion of the base loan attributable non-ELI units.
 - (6) Payment on the loans shall be based upon the Development Cash Flow, as determined pursuant to the financial reporting requirements as provided in this RFA, or shall be due annually as determined by the Corporation's Board of Directors. Such determination by the Board shall be based upon a written recommendation by the Credit Underwriter which has considered the economic and financial viability of the Development as well as the protection of the Corporation's repayment of principal and interest. Any distribution or payment to the Principal(s) of the Applicant or Developer or any Affiliate of the Principal of the Applicant or Developer or any Affiliate of the Applicant or Developer, whether paid directly or indirectly, which was not expressly disclosed in determining the annual debt service coverage in the Board approved final credit underwriting report, with the exception of payment of the

- Developer Fee allowable to maximum of 20 percent per year, will be added back to the amount of cash available for the RRLP loan interest payment, pursuant to the financial reporting process, for the purpose of determining interest due. Interest may be deferred as set forth in (9) below, without constituting a default on the loan.
- (7) The loans described in (5) above, shall be repaid from Development Cash Flow, and if the RRLP loan is not a first mortgage loan, each year, subject to the provisions of (9) below, Development Cash Flow shall be applied to pay the following items in order of priority:
- (a) All superior mortgage fees and debt service as calculated and disclosed in the Board approved final credit underwriting report;
 - (b) Development Expenses for the RRLP Development, plus up to 20 percent of total Developer Fees per year;
 - (c) Interest payment on RRLP loan balance;
 - (d) Interest payments on the RRLP loan deferred from previous years; and
 - (e) Mandatory payment on subordinate mortgages.
- After the full RRLP loan interest has been paid, the Applicant shall retain all remaining monies, unless the Applicant chooses to prepay a portion of the loan balance.
- (8) If the RRLP loan is secured by a first mortgage lien, each year, subject to the provisions (9) below, Development Cash Flow shall be applied to pay the following items in order of priority:
- (a) First mortgage fees and interest payment on the RRLP loan;
 - (b) Development Expenses on the RRLP Loan plus up to 20 percent of total Developer Fees per year;
 - (c) Interest payments on the RRLP loan deferred from previous years; and
 - (d) Mandatory payment on subordinate mortgages.
- After the full RRLP loan interest has been paid, the Applicant shall retain all remaining monies, unless the Applicant chooses to prepay a portion of the loan balance.
- (9) The determination of lien position, determination of Development Cash Flow, determination of payment priorities, and payment of interest on RRLP loans shall occur annually. A change in lien position from subordinate to first changes payment priorities. Any payments of accrued and unpaid interest due annually on RRLP loans shall be deferred to the extent that Development Cash Flow is insufficient to make said payments pursuant to the payment priority schedule established in this RFA. If Development Cash Flow is under-reported and such report causes a deferral of RRLP interest, such under-reporting shall constitute an event of default on the RRLP loan. A penalty of 5 percent of any required payment shall be assessed.
- (a) By the date that is 151 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the RRLP loan term, the Applicant shall provide the Corporation's servicer

with audited financial statements and a certification detailing the information needed to determine the annual payment to be made. 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. In the case where the RRLP Development contained occupied units at the time of acquisition, the initial submission will be due following the fiscal year within which the 12 month anniversary of the RRLP loan closing is observed. The certification shall require submission of audited financial statements, the fully completed and executed annual reporting form, Financial Reporting Form SR-1, (Rev. 01-23), and any other financial reporting requirements as provided in the RFA. The Form SR-1, which is available from the Corporation Website, 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 RRLP loan term. If the Applicant has not submitted the required audited financial statements, the Corporation servicer shall deem the Development Cash Flow sufficient and issue a billing for interest due on the RRLP loan for the Applicant's immediately preceding fiscal year by 212 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end. After receipt of the audited financial statements, the Corporation servicer shall issue revised billing, if necessary. 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 RRLP loan term shall constitute an event of default on the RRLP 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.

- (b) The Corporation servicer shall issue a billing for interest due on the RRLP loan for the Applicant's immediately preceding fiscal year by 212 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end of each year of the RRLP loan term.

- (c) The Applicant shall remit the interest due to the Corporation servicer no later than RRLP interest will be due no later than 243 Calendar Days after the Applicant's fiscal year end following the fiscal year within which the first unit is occupied. The first payment of interest shall include all interest for the period which begins accruing on the date of the first Draw and ends on the date of the Applicant's fiscal year end of the fiscal year during which the first unit is occupied.
- (10) After maturity or acceleration, the Note shall bear interest at its default interest rate, as provided therein, from the due date until paid. Unless the Corporation has accelerated the RRLP loan, the Applicant shall pay the Corporation a late charge of 5 percent of any required payment that is not received by the Corporation within 15 days of the due date.
- (11) The final billing for the purpose of payoff of the RRLP loan shall also include a billing for compliance fees to cover monitoring of RRLP 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 Very Low-Income persons or households beyond the repayment date. The applicable present value discount rate shall be 5.50% 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 the period, provided:
- (a) The compliance monitoring fee covers some or all of the period following the anticipated RRLP loan repayment date; and
- (b) The Development has substantially equivalent set-asides for Very Low-Income persons or households mandated through another Corporation program for which the compliance monitoring fee was collected.
- (12) The RRLP loans shall be serviced either directly by the Corporation or by the servicer on behalf of the Corporation.
- (13) The Corporation shall monitor compliance of all terms and conditions of the RRLP 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 RRLP loan shall constitute a default during the term of the RRLP 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 Very Low-Income persons or households is discovered during the course of compliance monitoring or by any other means.
- (14) 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, but which shall, in any case, include fire, hazard and other insurance as required by the terms and conditions outlined in the RFA.
- (15) The RRLP loan term shall be for a period of not more than 15 years commensurate with the investment requirements associated with the Housing Credit syndication. The term of the loan may also exceed 15 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.
- (16) 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 RRLP 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.
- (a) The Corporation will recommend 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.
- (b) The Corporation will recommend the Board deny requests to increase the amount of any superior mortgage, unless the criteria outlined in this RFA are met, the original combined loan to value ratio for the superior mortgage and the RRLP mortgages is maintained or improved, and a proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage is used to reduce the outstanding RRLP base loan balance. To calculate the proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage which must be paid toward the reduction of the RRLP loan balance, the following calculation shall be used: divide the amount of the original RRLP mortgage by the combined amount of the original RRLP mortgage and the original superior mortgage; then multiply the quotient by the amount of the increase in the superior mortgage from the current balance.
- (17) All RRLP loans shall be in conformance with applicable federal and state statutes. The Corporation shall allow units dedicated to occupancy by the Elderly in a Development designed for occupancy by elderly households pursuant to authorization by HUD under the Fair Housing Amendments of 1988 as implemented by 24 CFR Part 100.
- (18) Rent controls are determined in a manner consistent with Section 42(g)(2) of the IRC. 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 its Application.
- (19) The documents creating, evidencing or securing each RRLP loan must provide that any violation of the terms and conditions described in this RFA constitutes a default under the RRLP loan documents allowing the Corporation to accelerate its loan and to seek foreclosure as well as any other remedies legally available to it.
- (20) A failure to pay any principal or interest due under the terms of this section shall constitute a default on the RRLP loan.
- (21) If, after a four-month rent-up period commencing after issuance of the last certificate of occupancy on the units, an Applicant is unable to meet the agreed-upon demographic commitment for Elderly, the Applicant may request to rent such units to Very Low-Income persons or households without demographic restriction.
- (a) The written request must provide documentation of marketing efforts implemented over the past four-month period which demonstrate the inclusion of sources of

potential residents, advertising to be used, other means of encouraging residents to rent at the Development, and priority to the original targeted group of residents. If the Corporation determines that prior marketing efforts were insufficient, a revised plan which is satisfactory to the Corporation must be submitted and implemented for a four-month period prior to reconsideration.

- (b) The Corporation will recommend that the Board require that Applicants provide additional amenities or resident programs suitable for the proposed resident population.
 - (c) The Corporation will recommend that the Board require that Applicants to modify loan documents to conform to the terms and conditions, including the interest rate, as outlined in the RFA, or to accelerate payments of RRLP loan principal or interest.
- (22) Failure to provide the Corporation and its servicer with any financial reporting required in the RFA detailing the information needed to determine the annual payment to be made pursuant to this RFA shall constitute a default on the RRLP loan.
- (23) The Compliance Period for a RRLP Development shall be, at a minimum, a period of time equal to the greater of:
- (a) The term of the loan,
 - (b) 12 years from the date the first residential unit is occupied, or
 - (c) Such longer period agreed to by the Applicant in the 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 RRLP loan closing date. For a period of 12 months beginning on the RRLP loan closing date (the "transition period"), the failure to satisfy the set-aside requirements shall not cause noncompliance.

- (24) Unless and until a guarantor's obligations for a RRLP 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 (a) through (c), below, as the Corporation or its servicer may reasonably request.
- (a) 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 guarantor(s) as to the accuracy of such financial statements; or

- (b) If an audited financial statement has not been prepared, a federal income tax return filed for the most recently completed year, or
- (c) 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.

E. Sale or Transfer of a RRLP Development

- (1) 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.
- (2) The RRLP loan shall be assumable upon sale or transfer of the Development if the following conditions are met:
 - (a) The proposed transferee meets all specific Applicant identity criteria which were required as conditions of the original loan;
 - (b) The proposed transferee agrees to maintain all set-asides and other requirements of the RRLP loan for the period originally specified or longer; and,
 - (c) 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 Special Assets Director 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 of one-tenth of one percent of the RRLP loan principal amount.

- (3) If the RRLP loan is not assumed since the buyer does not meet the criteria for assumption of the RRLP loan, the RRLP loan (principal and any outstanding interest) shall be repaid from the proceeds of the sale in the following order of priority:
 - (a) First mortgage debt service, first mortgage fees;
 - (b) RRLP compliance and loan servicing fees;
 - (c) 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 Very Low-Income persons or households beyond the repayment date. Such amount shall be reduced by the amount of any compliance monitoring fees 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 RRLP repayment date; and,
2. The Development has substantially equivalent set-asides for Very Low-Income persons or households mandated through another program of the Corporation for which the compliance monitoring fee was collected.
- (d) Unpaid principal balance of the RRLP loan;
 - (e) Any interest due on the RRLP loan;
 - (f) Expenses of the sale;
 - (g) If there will be insufficient funds available from the proposed sale of the Development to satisfy paragraphs (3)(a)-(f), above, the RRLP loan shall not be satisfied until the Corporation has received:
 1. 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,
 2. 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 RRLP loan was true and accurate,
 3. A certification from the Applicant that there are no Development funds available to repay the RRLP loan, including any interest due, and the Applicant knows of no source from which funds could or would be forthcoming to pay the RRLP loan; and,
 4. A certification from the Applicant detailing the information needed to determine the final billing for RRLP loan interest. Such certification shall require submission of financial statements and other documents that may be required by the Corporation and its servicer.
- (4) 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:
- (a) Performance of the Applicant during the RRLP loan term;
 - (b) Availability of similar housing stock for the target population in the area;
 - (c) Documentation and certification by the Applicant that funds are not available to repay the Note upon maturity;
 - (d) A plan for the repayment of the loan at the new maturity date;
 - (e) Assurance that the security interest of the Corporation will not be jeopardized by the new term(s); and,

- (f) Industry standard terms which may include amortizing loans requiring regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest.

All loan renegotiation requests must be submitted in writing to the Special Assets Director and contain the specific details of the renegotiation. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable renegotiation fee of one-half of one percent of the RRLP loan principal amount. All loan extension requests must be submitted in writing to the Special Assets Director and contain the specific details of the extension. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable extension fee of one-tenth of one percent of the RRLP loan principal amount.

- (5) 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.
- (6) The Corporation will recommend that the Board deny any requests for mortgage loan refinancing which require extension of the RRLP loan term or otherwise adversely affect the security interest of the Corporation, unless the criteria outlined in (5) 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 Corporation will recommend that the Board 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 any requests to increase the amount of any superior mortgage, unless the criteria outlined in D.(17) above are met, the original combined loan to value ratio for the superior mortgage and the RRLP mortgage is maintained or improved, and a proportionate amount of the increase in the superior mortgage is used to reduce the outstanding RRLP loan balance.

All requests which only require subordination of the regulatory agreements must be submitted in writing to the Special Assets Director and contain the specific details of the subordination. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable subordination fee of \$1,000 for each regulatory agreement to be subordinated.

All requests which only require extension of the affordability period under the regulatory agreements must be submitted in writing to the Special Assets Director and contain the specific details of the extension. In addition to any related professional fees, the Corporation shall charge a non-refundable extension fee of \$1,000 for each extension of the regulatory agreement.

F. RRLP Construction Disbursements and Permanent Loan Servicing

- (1) RRLP loan proceeds shall be disbursed during the construction phase in an amount per Draw which does not exceed the ratio of the RRLP loan to the Total Development Cost,

unless approved by the Corporation and the Credit Underwriter.

- (2) 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.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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:
 - (a) 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
 - (b) The percentage of progress of construction of the improvements differs from that shown on the request for a Draw.
- (6) The servicer may request submission of revised construction budgets.
- (7) 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.
- (8) 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 RRLP loan agreement.

Exhibit I – Credit Underwriting Procedures for the ELI Loan

The applicable credit underwriting, program requirements and loan terms and conditions are outlined in Exhibit H for the RRLP loan.

The applicable credit underwriting, program requirements and loan terms and conditions for the ELI Loan are outlined below.

1. Credit Underwriting Procedures for the ELI Loan:

- a. The invitation to enter credit underwriting constitutes a preliminary commitment for the ELI Loan.
- b. The credit underwriting for the ELI Loan will be accomplished along with the credit underwriting for the RRLP loan. The Credit Underwriter may request additional information at any time during the credit underwriting process for the ELI Loan.
- c. The Credit Underwriter’s loan recommendations for the ELI Loan will be sent to the Board for approval at the time the RRLP loan recommendations are sent.
- d. A firm loan commitment for the ELI Loan will be issued at the time the firm loan commitment for the RRLP loan is issued.
- e. The ELI Loan must close by the deadlines outlined in Exhibit H for the RRLP loan.

2. Terms and Conditions of the ELI Loan:

ELI Loans will be subject to the credit underwriting provisions outlined in Section 1 above and the loan provisions outlined below:

- a. The terms and conditions of the ELI Loan shall be as follows:
 - (1) The ELI Loan may be in a first, second, or other subordinated lien position;
 - (2) The ELI Loan shall:
 - (a) Have the amount based on the funding requirements set forth in this RFA; and
 - (b) Be non-amortizing at 0 percent simple interest per annum over the life of the ELI Loan, with the principal forgivable at maturity provided the units for which the ELI Loan amount is awarded are targeted to ELI Households for the first 15 years of the Compliance Period. The minimum term of the ELI Loan is 15 years.
 - (3) 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;
- (4) The ELI Loan shall be serviced either directly by the Corporation or by the Corporation's servicer on behalf of the Corporation;
 - (5) The Corporation and the Corporation's servicer shall monitor compliance of all terms and conditions of the 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 loan shall constitute a default during the term of the loan if not appropriately cured. The Corporation shall take appropriate legal action to effect compliance if a violation of any material term or condition relative to the set-aside of units for ELI Households is discovered during the course of compliance monitoring or by any other means;
 - (6) The Corporation shall require adequate insurance to be maintained on the Development as determined by the Corporation or the Corporation's servicer sufficient to meet the standards established in the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) Insurance Guide, dated August 30, 2016, as updated, as outlined in Exhibit C of the RFA;
 - (7) All ELI Loans shall be in conformance with applicable federal and state statutes, including the Fair Housing Act as implemented by 24 CFR Part 100, Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 as implemented by 28 CFR Part 35, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ("Section 504 and its related regulations"), as outlined in Section Four, A.8. of the RFA. 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 RRLP Program to the same extent as if the RRLP Development were subject to Section 504 and its related regulations in all respects. To that end, for purposes of the RRLP Program, RRLP funding shall be deemed "Federal financial assistance" within the meaning of that term as used in Section 504 and its related regulations for all RRLP Developments, as outlined in Section Four, A.8. of the RFA;
 - (8) Rent controls for the ELI Set-Aside units for which the ELI Loan is issued shall be restricted at the level applicable for federal Housing Credits;
 - (9) The documents creating, evidencing or securing each ELI Loan must provide that any violation of the terms and conditions described in this Exhibit to the RFA constitutes a default under the ELI Loan documents allowing the Corporation to accelerate its loan and to seek foreclosure as well as any other remedies legally available to it;
 - (10) The affordability period committed to in this RFA includes the units set aside for ELI Households. If the Applicant did not commit to the Average Income Test, after 15 years all of the ELI Set-Aside Units that were associated with the ELI

Loan Funding may convert to serve residents at or below 60 percent AMI and, if the 22% Units are **not** stated in Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart, after 30 years, all of the 22% Units may convert to serve residents at or below 60 percent AMI. If the Applicant committed to the Average Income Test, the ELI Set-Aside Units must remain at 30 percent AMI or less throughout the entire Compliance Period. If the 22% Units are **not** stated in Total Set-Aside Breakdown Chart, after 30 years, all of the 22% Units may convert to serve residents at or below 60 percent AMI.; and

- (11) If, after initial certification of ELI Households and move in, ELI Set-Aside units are no longer distributed across the unit mix on a pro-rata basis, the Development will not be in noncompliance so long as the next unit of required size that becomes vacant in the Development is rented to an ELI Household until the ELI Set-Aside units in the Development again meets its requirement to be distributed across the unit mix on a pro-rata basis.
- b. The ELI 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 ELI Set-Asides and other requirements of the ELI 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 this RFA.

- c. ELI Loan construction disbursements and permanent loan servicing shall be based on the following:
- (1) ELI Loan proceeds shall be disbursed during the construction phase in an amount per Draw which does not exceed the ratio of the ELI Loan to the Total Development Cost, unless approved by the Credit Underwriter;
 - (2) 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;

- (3) 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;
- (4) 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;
- (5) 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:
 - (a) 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
 - (b) The percentage of progress of construction of the improvements differs from that shown on the request for a Draw;
- (6) The servicer may request submission of revised construction budgets;
- (7) 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; and
- (8) 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 ELI Loan Agreement.