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To: Jean Salmonsens <Jean.Salmonsens@floridahousing.org>

Subject: RFA 2022-301 Housing Credit Financing for Affordable Housing Developments Located in Duval County

Dear Ms. Salmonsens,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on RFA 2022-301. With our initial review of the draft RFA, it was noticed that sites located in a Racially and Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RECAP) would be ineligible for funding. The City of Jacksonville has made an effort to incentivize building quality affordable housing in urban infill locations and revitalizing the downtown area. We believe that the residents and the City of Jacksonville would want to encourage the RFA be as inclusive of as many quality sites in the downtown as possible. The majority of downtown Jacksonville is designated as a RECAP, and therefore would be excluded from being eligible for funding in this RFA. We strongly encourage that Florida Housing consider revising the language in the draft RFA to remove the RECAP restriction. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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