

Florida Supportive Housing Coalition State Agency Briefing

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On May 5, 2022, the Florida Supportive Housing Coalition (FSHC) convened the Executive Office of the Governor, nine State Agencies and other key stakeholder organizations to hold a strategic dialogue regarding statewide supportive housing issues. The facilitated meeting explored common purpose, traced the history of Florida's supportive housing policy and examined how best to:

- Increase production of housing units for special needs populations
- Improve access, coordination and funding for supportive services
- Create data-driven solutions across multiple State Agencies and systems of care

Participating Organizations

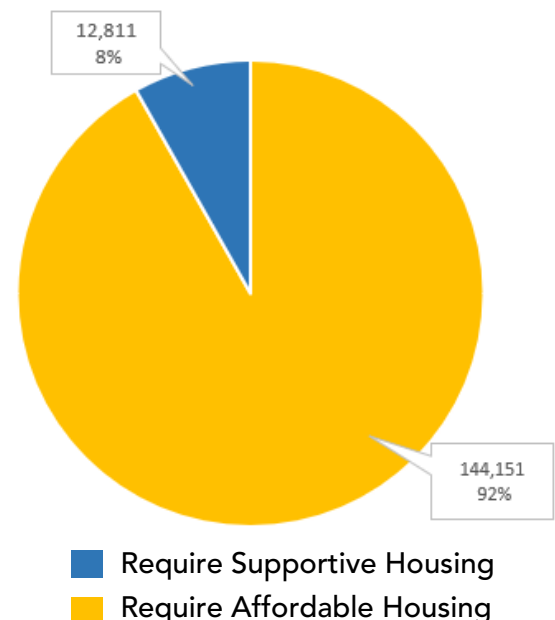
- Agency for Health Care Administration
- Agency for Persons with Disabilities
- Executive Office of the Governor
- Florida Association of Managing Entities
- Florida Coalition to End Homelessness
- Florida Department of Children and Families
- Florida Department of Elder Affairs*
- Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs
- Florida Housing Finance Corporation
- Sunshine Health*
- UF Shimberg Center*
- UnitedHealth

*Agencies invited, but not in attendance

An Achievable Goal

12,811

To meet the need of homeless and special needs households, Florida needs an estimated 156,962 units of affordable and supportive housing. Only 12,811 (8%) need supportive housing; the remaining 144,151 (92%) need affordable housing



Current Inventory of Supportive Housing

- Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) has supported the production of 2,271 units of supportive housing that are 97% occupied
- FHFC will award \$60 Million in 2022 dedicated to the production of additional Supportive Housing



Actionable Strategies

Together attendees identified a broad range of recommendations to advance supportive housing statewide:

Immediate Strategies

- Foster interagency information and data sharing to maximize and leverage resources
- Coordinate and align resources for greater efficiency and impact
- Build a statewide database for optimizing access to information on available units
- Convene quarterly State Agency working group
- Use the FSHC 2022 Supportive Housing Summit in October to examine:
 1. Pay For Success/Social Impact Bond strategies
 2. "Speed Dating" to promote sharing knowledge amongst state agencies
 3. Standardized use of service fee structures and performance metrics

Long Term Strategies

- Expand Medicaid eligible services to promote housing and tenancy supports
- Generate new sources of revenue
 1. Enlist health systems and insurance companies to invest in supportive housing
 2. Implement a Pay For Success or social impact model
 3. Work to create a Supportive Housing Trust Fund
- Improve alignment of resources for the development and operation of supportive housing
- Conduct 'Education and Awareness Campaign' to highlight supportive housing and its residents

Key Policy Day Achievement

- **The Executive Office of the Governor** proposed developing a Supportive Housing State Plan
- **Florida Housing Finance Corporation will be the lead** agency coordinating the state agency collaborative effort to develop the Plan

The Florida Supportive Housing Coalition is deeply grateful to all those that participated in the Supportive Housing Policy Day and for the expertise, dedication and enthusiasm of state agency leadership. We look forward to working alongside you so that together we may create a "road map" of dignity and success for the benefit of persons with special needs.

**We invite you to join us at the Florida Supportive Housing Coalition's
2022 Supportive Housing Summit
October 26th and 27th
Hilton St. Petersburg Bayfront**



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