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## WHAT IS THE SADOWSKI COALITION AND WHAT ARE SADOWSKI FUNDS?

- The Sadowski Coalition is a nonpartisan collection of 30 diverse statewide organizations.
- Began in 1991 to obtain a dedicated revenue source for Florida's affordable housing programs: The Sadowski Act passed in 1992, creating a dedicated revenue source to fund Florida's affordable housing programs and funding the Catalyst Program for Training and Technical Assistance.

#### **HOW ARE FLORIDA'S HOUSING PROGRAMS FUNDED?**

- Doc stamp tax paid on all real estate transactions was increased in 1992.
- Those monies were dedicated to the state and local housing trust funds.
- 70% of monies to the Local Government Housing Trust Fund for the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program which funds housing programs in all 67 counties and larger cities.
- 30% of monies to the State Housing Trust Fund for Florida Housing Finance Corporation programs such as the State Apartment Incentive Loan (SAIL) program.

### WHAT DO THESE PROGRAMS DO? WHO DO THEY SERVE?

- SHIP funds can be used for rehabilitation/renovation of existing housing stock to allow seniors to age in place or to provide retrofitting for persons with special needs;
- SHIP funds can be used to move the existing housing stock and provide first time homeownership with down payment and closing cost assistance, as well as rehabilitation and retrofit;
- SAIL funds can be used to rehabilitate existing apartments in dire need of repair or to build new units where needed; apartments that house Florida's most vulnerable populations, such as the frail elderly and persons with disabilities;
- SAIL and SHIP programs span from homelessness to the moderate income essential workforce;
- The beauty of both SHIP and SAIL is that they are flexible and can meet changing needs and priorities within the same program framework.

### WHAT IS THE NEED FOR THESE PROGRAMS?

- Over 900,000 very low income Floridians pay more than 50% of their income on housingthey are one missed paycheck away from homelessness;
- Florida has the fourth largest homeless population in the nation.

## WHAT IS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF FLORIDA'S HOUSING PROGRAMS?

- SHIP and SAIL are highly leveraged, with private sector loans and equity providing \$4 to \$6 for every one dollar of state funding—thus greatly increasing economic impact.
- The appropriation of the estimated \$266.87 million in the state and local housing trust funds in Fiscal Year 2015-16 into Florida's housing programs will create
   24.950 jobs and \$3.1 BILLION in positive economic impact in Florida.\*

## WHAT IS OUR PRIORITY FOR THE 2015 SESSION?

The Sadowski Coalition urges the Florida Legislature to use all of Florida's housing trust fund monies for Florida's Housing Programs.

\*\$266.87 million based upon documentary stamp projection from December 2014 Revenue Estimating Conference.

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## SADOWSKI HOUSING COALITION MEMBERS

# BUSINESS/ INDUSTRY GROUPS

- Associated Industries of Florida
- Coalition of Affordable Housing Providers
- Florida Apartment Association
- Florida Bankers Association
- Florida Chamber of Commerce

# BUSINESS/ INDUSTRY GROUPS

- Florida Green Building Coalition
- Florida Home Builders Association
- Florida Manufactured Housing Association
- Florida Realtors
- Florida Retail Federation

## ADVOCATES FOR ELDERLY/ VETERANS/ HOMELESS/ SPECIAL NEEDS

- AARP of Florida
- Florida Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials
- Florida Coalition for the Homeless
- Florida Housing Coalition
- Florida Legal Services

## ADVOCATES FOR ELDERLY/ VETERANS/ HOMELESS/ SPECIAL NEEDS

- Florida Supportive Housing Coalition
- Florida Veterans Foundation
- Florida Weatherization Network
- LeadingAge Florida
- The Arc of Florida
- United Way of Florida

## GOVERNMENT/ PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

- American Planning Association, Fla. Ch.
- Florida Association of Counties
- Florida Association of Local Housing Finance Authorities
- Florida League of Cities
- Florida Redevelopment Association
- Florida Regional Councils Association

# FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- Florida Catholic Conference
- Florida Impact
- Habitat for Humanity of Florida