

Florida Housing Coalition Sadowski Affiliates Webinar

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Presenters



Jaimie Ross, President & CEO Florida Housing Coalition; Facilitator, Sadowski Coalition



Mark Hendrickson, Executive Director Florida ALHFA; FHC Board Member

Agenda

- Banner Session Ahead- Legislation to Stop the Sweeps!
- Sadowski Coalition Press Conference in Tallahassee
- Affordable Housing Workgroup
- Committee Assignments/Leadership
- Appropriations Process
- What Housing Advocates can do to Help



Sadowski Advocacy

Sadowski Coalition Awardees



HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY



Sadowski Affiliate Awardees



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Legislation to Stop the Sweeps!



Senator Kathleen Passidomo (R, District 28- Parts of Collier, Hendry, and part of Lee counties)



Representative Sean Shaw
(D, District 61- Parts of Hillsborough county)

Website You Need





FLSenate.gov

MyFloridaHouse.gov

House Bill 191 Committees of Reference

- Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee
- Appropriations Committee



Legislative Process



- Legislative Session begins January 9
- Committees are meeting these weeks: Nov. 6; Nov. 13; Dec. 4.
- District Offices weeks: Nov. 20; Nov. 27; Dec. 11, Dec. 18
- Consideration of the appropriation of the state and local housing trust fund programs is underway



How does the Legislature make appropriations?

- By passing a Budget Bill also known as the Appropriations Act
- There is no "housing bill" for appropriations
- There is an Appropriations Committee in the House and an Appropriations Committee in the Senate
- When the Senate and House Appropriations Committees agree on the amounts of money to allocate for the state and local housing programs (SAIL and SHIP, primarily), it becomes law (after signed by the Governor)



Key Organizational Chart for Housing Trust Funds

Senate

President Negron

Appropriations Chair Bradley

TED Subcommittee Chair Simpson

House

House Speaker Corcoran

Appropriations Chair Trujillo

TED Subcommittee Chair Ingram

THE FLORIDA HOUSING COALITION



Senate President Negron

(R, District 25- St. Lucie, Martin, part of Palm Beach)



House Speaker Corcoran

(R, District 37- part of Pasco)



Senator Rob Bradley

(R, District 5- Consists of Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Lafayette, Levy, Suwannee, Union counties and part of Marion county)



Representative Carlos Trujillo

(R, District 105- Parts of Broward, Collier, Miami-Dade)



Senator Wilton Simpson

(R, District 10- Consists of Citrus, Hernando, and part of Pasco counties)



Representative Clay Ingram

(R, District 1- Part of Escambia)



The TED Subcommittees are given an "allocation" of funds to appropriate

The allocation comes from the Chairs of the Appropriations Committees in House and Senate

- House Appropriations Chair Representative Trujillo
 (R, District 105- Parts of Broward, Collier, Miami-Dade)
- Senate Appropriations Chair
 Senator Bradley
 (R, District 5- Parts of Baker,
 Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Dixie,
 Gilchrist, Lafayette, Levy, Suwannee,
 Union, and part of Marion counties)







House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Members

- Chair: Representative Clay Ingram (R)
- Vice Chair: Representative Michael Grant (R)
- Representative Halsey Beshears (R)
- Representative Robert "Bob" Cortes (R)
- Representative Brad Drake (R)
- Representative Randy Fine (R)
- Representative Joseph Geller (D)
- Representative Al Jacquet, Al (D)
- Representative Sam H. Killebrew (R)
- Representative Mike La Rosa (R)
- Representative Kionne L. McGhee (D)
- Representative Bob Rommel (R)
- Representative David Santiago (R)
- Representative Barbara Watson (D)



Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Members

- Chair: Senator Wilton Simpson (R)
- Vice Chair: **Senator Bobby Powell (D)**
- Senator Lizbeth Benacquisto (R)
- Senator Rob Bradley (R)
- Senator George B. Gainer (R)
- Senator Bill Galvano (R)
- Senator Audrey Gibson (D)
- Senator Kevin J. Rader (D)
- <u>Senator Kelli Stargel (R)</u>
- Senator Perry E. Thurston, Jr. (D)



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How do we know how much money to ask for?



- We ask for the appropriation of <u>all</u> the state and local housing trust fund money; the money collected from the portion of the doc stamp that is dedicated for affordable housing
- The trust fund money is automatically deposited into the state and local housing trust funds by operation of law (that's what the Sadowski Act- which passed in 1992 accomplished- we have a dedicated revenue source for housing)
- In FY 2018-19 that is approximately \$314 million.



Split Between SHIP and State Programs

- 70% goes to the Local Government Housing Trust Fund for the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program
 - \$219.80 million for SHIP (includes \$4 million for Homeless Programs at DCF and DEO)
- 30% goes to the State Housing Trust Fund for the Florida Housing Finance Corporation programs such as the State Apartment Incentive Loan (SAIL) Program
 - \$94.20 million for SAIL and other FHFC Programs



What Should Housing Trust Fund Advocates Do Now?

Elected officials care most about their own constituents.

Citizens are the most important people in the process.

MEET WITH YOUR LEGISLATORS IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE

- Citizens are the most important part of the lawmaking process (77.78% very important)
- Legislative staffers are important, so meet with legislative staff (61.11%)
- Lobbyists are less important than the Governor, state economists, and political advisors (31.43%)



What if you don't live in one of those 6 Key Legislator's Districts?

- Meet with your senators and representatives and ask that legislator to contact the TED Appropriations Chair and Leadership to ask that the housing trust funds be appropriated for housing. Your legislator should talk to the six guys at the top.
- The Committee Chairs need to hear from other legislators that using the housing trust funds for housing is important to their constituents.
- Now is the time to talk with newly elected legislators too.

Provide Feedback to FHC

- We need to know about your meetings with legislators or their aides we can follow up in Tallahassee.
- You do not have to be an expert in housing or the trust fund numbers to meet with your legislator/aide.
- If you are asked a question you don't feel comfortable answering (unlikely to happen) just say "I'll be happy to get back to you with that info" And give us a call! 850/878/4219.

Provide Comments to FHFC Affordable Housing Workgroup



• Go to comments section at bottom of page to submit comments:

www.floridahousing.org
/about-floridahousing/workgroup-onaffordable-housing



How You Find Sadowski Info



www.SadowskiCoalition.org

- Resources Tab
- Toolkit button (each page)



- Sadowski One Pager and Sadowski Affiliates
 - Talking points for meeting with legislators
 - Includes our "ask" = use all housing trust funds for housing.



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