Where Can I Look for Housing?

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Properties

https://lihtc.huduser.gov/

HUD Public Housing

https://www.hud.gov/apps/section8/index.cfm

Florida Housing Search

http://www.floridahousingsearch.org/

Affordable Housing

www.affordablehousingonline.com

GoSection8

http://www.gosection8.com/

Other

Property Managers

Independent Landlords (religious groups, board contacts, newspaper listings)

Sex Offender Registry

Craigslist (with Caution!!)

Trulia

Zillow

Realtor.com

Apartments.com

Previous Rental History

Probation Officers

Housing Authority

Mental Health and Substance Abuse programs



Generally speaking, housing is considered "affordable" if the tenant/owner pays 30% or less than their household income for housing costs. That can be true in market rate or subsidized housing.

Important note: Rapid rehousing programs should <u>not</u> – unless required to do so by funders – limit households' housing choices based on that 30% guideline. Most very low income renters in Florida pay 50% or more of their income for housing costs, and many pay more.

Type of Housing Description

Market Rate Housing	Refers to properties that are rented or owned by people who pay market rent to lease the property or paid market value when they bought the property. There is no subsidy for the housing.
Property-Subsidized Affordable Housing	Refers to properties that were originally built using special financing and/or a tax subsidy and are now required to provide <i>below-market rents</i> and/or set aside a certain number of units for low-income people, persons with disabilities, and/or seniors.
Rent-Subsidized Housing or Vouchers (Tenant or Project Based)	Tenant Based: Provides a <i>voucher</i> to you to choose where you want to live in the community and lease from a private landlord that will accept the voucher. Project Based: Project-based housing assistance requires you to live in a housing unit at the property that is being subsidized. The program then pays an ongoing monthly subsidy to the property-owner to help with rent and utilities. You are usually required to pay at least 30% of your income toward your rent and utilities, and usually your subsidy is limited by fair market rent (FMRs).