The 2016 Florida Legislative Session is set to convene Tuesday, January 12, 2016. The time is NOW to reach out to them to express the importance of using all of the state and local housing trust funds for Florida housing programs.

Your local and state elected officials participate in County Legislative Delegations all throughout Florida. These Delegations are responsible for holding annual meetings in each county to develop its legislative program which include: all local bills, community appropriation requests, and county and municipal legislative priorities. The Delegations serve as a liaison between the Florida Legislature and local governments and community organizations.

In order to participate and be placed on the agenda, many of the County Legislative Delegations require individuals or organizations to give prior notice in advance. If you would like to speak at the meeting, please call the office of your Senator or Representative to inquire about the procedure for participation.

Find your Senator: www.flsenate.gov/Senators/Find
Find your Representative: www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Representatives/representatives.aspx

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### Upcoming Meetings (Listed by Date)

**Legislative Delegation: Broward County**

*When: Monday, September 21, 2015; 4pm-7 pm*
*Where: Health and Human Services Public Hearing, 520 NW 3rd Street, Pompano Beach*
*Description: Sign up to speak at [www.broward.org/legislative/publichearingsched](http://www.broward.org/legislative/publichearingsched)*

**Legislative Delegation: Pinellas County**

*When: Tuesday, September 22, 2015; 9am-5pm*
*Where: St. Petersburg College Digitorium, 9200 113th Street North, Seminole*
*Description: Learn more at [www.pinellascounty.org/delegation/](http://www.pinellascounty.org/delegation/)*

**Legislative Delegation: Lafayette County**

*When: Tuesday, September 22, 2015; 10am*
*Where: Lafayette County Commission Chambers, 120 West Main Street, Mayo*
*Description: For more information or to be placed on the agenda to speak at the meeting, please contact Hope Lossing in Representative Beshears at (850) 717-5007 or by e-mail at Hope.Lossing@myfloridahouse.gov*

**Legislative Delegation: Santa Rose County**

*When: Tuesday, September 22, 2015; 5:30pm-7pm*
Where: Santa Rosa County Administrative Complex, 6495 Caroline Street, Milton
Description: To request an appearance form to be placed on the agenda or submit handouts, individuals should contact Representative Doug Broxson's office at (850) 916-5436 or send an e-mail to vin.brown@myfloridahouse.gov no later than 5 p.m., Friday, September 18, 2015.

**Legislative Delegation: Indian River County**
When: Wednesday, September 23, 2015; 9am
Where: Vero Beach City Hall, 1053 20th Place, Vero Beach
Description: More at www.covb.org/index.asp?Type=B_EV&SEC={D77F8F81-F690-41AB-945B-719FAA8ACFA3}&month=9&year=2015

**Legislative Delegation: Martin County**
When: Thursday, September 24, 2015; 9am-12pm
Where: Martin County Administrative Center, 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart
Description: State Representative Gayle Harrell will be hosting this year's Martin County Legislative Delegation meeting. In order to participate in the delegation meeting, you must first obtain a request form along with the information and instructions from Representative Harrell's office. Then all corresponding materials, including the request form and appropriate number of copies of the presentation, must be completely filled out and delivered to Rep. Harrell's district office, located at: 900 SE Federal Highway, Suite 325, Stuart, FL 34994, by noon on September 17, 2015.

For more information or to receive a Participant Request Form, please do not hesitate to contact the district office of Rep. Gayle Harrell at (772) 221-4011 and all appropriate forms can be emailed to you.

**Legislative Delegation: Duval County**
When: Thursday, September 24, 2015; 1pm-4pm
Where: City Hall, 117 W. Duval Street, Jacksonville
Description: Questions may be directed to Duval Legislative Delegation office staff at 904-630-1680.

**Legislative Delegation: Broward County**
When: Thursday, September 24, 2015; 4pm-6pm
Where: Sunrise Civic Center, Ballroom, 10610 West Oakland Park Boulevard
Description: Sign up to speak at www.broward.org/legislative/publichearingsched

**Legislative Delegation: Hillsborough County**
When: Friday, September 25, 2015; 9am
Legislative Delegation: Franklin County
When: Monday, September 28, 2015; 7pm
Where: Franklin County Courthouse Annex, 37 Forbes Street, Apalachicola
Description: For more information, call Senator Montford’s District Office in Tallahassee at (850) 487-5003 or visit 214 Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street in Tallahassee.

Legislative Delegation: Broward County
When: Tuesday, September 29, 2015; 4pm-6pm
Where: Governmental Center Commission Chambers, 115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 422, Ft. Lauderdale
Description: Sign up to speak at www.broward.org/legislative/publichearingsched

Legislative Delegation: Clay County
When: Tuesday, September 29, 2015; 6pm
Where: Clay County Commission, Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs
Description: For more information, call (904) 966-6215

Legislative Delegation: Palm Beach County
When: Wednesday, September 30, 2015; 2:30pm-4:30pm
Where: Forest Hill Community High School, Auditorium, 6901 Parker Avenue, West Palm Beach
Description:

Legislative Delegation: Lee County
When: Wednesday, October 14, 2015; 9am-5pm
Where: Florida Southwestern State College, Nursing Building (Room AA-177), Fort Myers
Description: The Delegation will conduct local business including a public hearing on local bills (if filed), funding requests and other issues for which people may have registered to speak. The deadline for submitting local bills to the Delegation is 5:00pm on Friday, October 2, 2015. All local bills must be accompanied by completed paperwork required by the Florida Legislature, including original
signatures of the legislative sponsors, and should be forwarded to Representative Caldwell at 15191 Homestead Road, Building A, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971.

Requests for placement on the meeting agenda must be submitted in writing to State Representative Matt Caldwell, Chairman, Lee County Legislative Delegation, 15191 Homestead Road, Building A, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971, no later than Friday, October 2, 2015 at 5:00pm. Requests made by electronic mail will be acknowledged within two (2) days of receiving the request.

Presenters who wish to provide supporting materials to the Delegation must submit three (3) copies of those materials to the address above by 5:00pm on Friday, October 2, 2015. Each set of materials must be printed on letter-size paper and three-hole punched at the left margin. Please submit a copy of supporting materials by electronic mail as well.

The deadline to register to make a general presentation (not related to local bills) to the Delegation is also 5:00pm on Friday, October 2, 2015. All requests for time on the agenda must be submitted in writing via email to charlotte.codie@myfloridahouse.gov. The agenda for the meeting will be set by Tuesday, October 6, 2015 and will be changed only to accommodate unforeseen emergencies.

For more information, please contact Charlotte Codie, Legislative Assistant to Representative Caldwell, at 239-694-0161. All meetings of the Lee County Legislative Delegation are open to the public.

**Legislative Delegation: Collier County**
When: Thursday, October 15, 2015, 9am-11:30am
Where: North Collier Regional Park, 15000 Livingston Road, Naples
Description:

**Legislative Delegation: Charlotte County**
When: Thursday, October 15, 2015, 1pm-4pm
Where: Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda
Description:

**Legislative Delegation: Palm Beach County**
When: Thursday, October 15, 2015, 2pm-5pm
Where: Florida Atlantic University - Jupiter Campus, Student Resources Building, Room SR 149
5353 Parkside Drive, Jupiter
Description:

**Legislative Delegation: Miami-Dade County**
When: Friday, October 16, 2015, 9am-12pm
Legislative Delegation: Polk County
When: Monday, November 9, 2015, 1pm
Where: Polk County Board of County Commissioners Chamber, Polk County Administration Building
330 West Church Street, Bartow
Description: Contact- Senator Stargel's office via Chris Dowdy at Dowdy.Chris@FLSenate.gov or (863) 668-3028

Legislative Delegation: Palm Beach County
When: Monday, November 9, 2015, 2pm-4pm
Where: Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Boulevard, West Palm Beach
Description:

Legislative Delegation: Miami-Dade County
When: Thursday, November 12, 2015, 10am-1pm
Where: School Board Administration Building – Auditorium, 1450 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami
Description: Subjects- Economic Development; Education; Elected Officials; Environmental and Natural Resources

Legislative Delegation: Palm Beach County
When: Tuesday, December 8, 2015, 9:30am-11:30am
Where: Lakeside Medical Center, 39200 Hooker Highway, Belle Glade
Description:

Legislative Delegation: Palm Beach County
When: Wednesday, December 16, 2015, 10am-12pm
Where: Florida Atlantic University - Boca Raton Campus, Football Stadium, Acura Club Room, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton
Description: