FLORIDA

LEGISLATIVE WRAP-UP: HOMELESS PROGRAMS & FUNDING

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Agenda

• How Homeless Programs Get Funded in the Florida Legislature

• Homeless Funding Appropriations for 2017-2018

• Homeless Related Legislative Action Other than Funding

• Advocacy Going Forward
How Homeless Programs Get Funded in the Florida Legislature
Florida’s Primary Sources of State Funding for Homeless Programs

• Sadowski State & Local Affordable Housing Trust Fund
  • Challenge Grants – current level $5,000,000
  • Homeless Training and Technical Assistance – current level $200,000
  • Provides over $100 million annually to create and preserve affordable housing

• State General Revenue
  • CoC Staffing Grants – current level $3,000,000
  • Member Projects – varies by project

• Federal Pass-Through
  • Emergency Solutions Grant
  • TANF Homeless Prevention

• Special Focus Grants
  • Some projects have been funded through DEO SEED
  • Others through funding streams for education, healthcare, workforce, SAMH, etc.
Homeless Funding Appropriations
2017-2018
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<th>Item</th>
<th>Amount &amp; Use</th>
<th>Source</th>
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<tr>
<td>Challenge Grants (Funded from Housing Trust Fund)</td>
<td>$5,200,000</td>
<td>Grants &amp; Donations TF—comes from SHIP</td>
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<td>Of which $5,000,000 is for CoC Challenge Grant Projects And $200,000 for Training and Technical Assistance</td>
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<td>Federal Grants (ESG and TANF)</td>
<td>$6,203,876</td>
<td>Federal Grants TF &amp; Welfare Transition TF</td>
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<td>Homeless Housing Assistance Grants</td>
<td>$3,840,800</td>
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<td>Of which $3,000,000 is Recurring CoC Staffing Grant And $840,800 for Member Projects (see below)</td>
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<td>Homeless Housing Assistance Grants Proviso</td>
<td>$100,000 for Love &amp; Action in Hope (LAHIA) Homeless Shelter Kitchen Repair Martin County (HB 2177)</td>
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<td>$100,000 for The Transition House—Residential Recovery for Homeless Veterans Funds for services to clients Osceola County</td>
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<td>$140,800 for Citrus Health Network Safe Haven \ for Homeless Youth Funds for services to Clients Miami-Dade County</td>
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<td>$500,000 for Comprehensive Emergency Services Center—(CESC) Homeless Services &amp; Residential Support Funds for Admin &amp; Client Services Leon County</td>
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* Does not include member projects funded from sources other than those listed here.
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<th>Program</th>
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<th>HOUSE</th>
<th>FINAL BUDGET</th>
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<td>State Apartment Incentive Loan (SAIL) Program</td>
<td>$10,000,000</td>
<td>In Proviso</td>
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<td>Florida Housing Finance Corp (FHFC)</td>
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<td>$ 27,500,000</td>
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<td>$37,000,000 $28 million from SHTF &amp; $9 million from LGHTF</td>
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<td>State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP)</td>
<td>$34,000,000</td>
<td>$120,900,000</td>
<td>$30,000,000</td>
<td>$100,000,000 (net available for SHIP is $94.225 million)</td>
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<td>TOTAL HOUSING</td>
<td>$44,000,000</td>
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<td>SHTF SWEEP</td>
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<td>LGHTF SWEEP</td>
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<td>TOTAL SWEEP</td>
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<td>Unallocated SHTF</td>
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<td>Unallocated LGHTF</td>
<td>$ 13,360,000</td>
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Homeless Related Legislative Action Other than Funding
Passed: Statute Revision of FS 743.067
Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

• See handout for new statutory language
• Establishes process for “certifying” an unaccompanied homeless youth so they can access certain services and benefits
• Entities that may certify unaccompanied homeless youth include CoC Lead Agency and its designees, homeless children school liaisons, HUD-funded shelters, and RHYA-funded runaway/homeless youth shelters
• Stay tuned for implementation
Died: HMIS Public Records Exemption

- SB1024 – a proposal for an explicit public records exemption for HMIS data did not pass
- Similar bills in the last few years have all died
Passed: Affordable Housing Workgroup

- Legislature established Workgroup on Affordable Housing
- Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) administers
- Convene no later than September 2017
- Expect four meetings, probably:
  - two in Tallahassee,
  - one in conjunction with Florida Housing Coalition’s annual conference,
  - one in South Florida
- Recommendations must be presented to and approved by the Board of Directors of FHFC
- Recommendations go into a Report to Governor, Senate President and Speaker of House by January 1, 2018 (Workgroup terminates upon delivery of Report)
Affordable Housing Workgroup Members

- Executive Director (ED) of FHFC to serve as Chair
- ED of DEO or designee
- Five appointees by Governor, including:
  - one advocate for homeless persons
  - one advocate disabled and special needs persons
  - one rep from building/development community
  - one Realtor
  - one unspecified
- Two appointed by President of Senate
- Two appointed by Speaker of House
- ED of Florida League of Cities or designee
- ED of Florida Ass’n of Counties or designee
- Chair of Florida Building Commission or designee as advisory member
What Happens Next
Advocacy @ Home

• Start meeting with your legislators at home now!
• 2018 Legislative Session starts January 9, 2018
• Meet with your legislator prior to January 2018
  • Set an appointment for a meeting in his or her District Office
  • Thank them, let them know what your program does, and describe the impact of the funding
  • Invite them for a field trip or special occasion
  • Don’t discount the influence of aides
Join the advocacy team!

To join (it’s FREE!) Email Johnitta Wells at: Wells@flhousing.org
September 10-13, 2017

30th Annual Statewide Affordable Housing Conference

Info here: http://flhousingconference.org/

To request a complimentary conference registration (act now – limited availability) email Pam Davis at davis@flhousing.org
Upcoming Webinars & Workshops

• Webinars
  • 3-part series (each):
    • Coordinated Entry
    • Rapid Rehousing
    • Supportive Housing
  • 7-part case management curriculum series
  • And more

• Day-long workshops
  • Coordinated Entry Systems (2 locations)
  • Managing Entities and CoC collaboration (1)
  • CoC Lead Agency (1)
  • Local Government and CoC collaboration (2)
Contact us for more info about . . .

• Scheduling a state-sponsored (free to you!) site visit or training in your area
• Funding
• Advocacy
• Our annual conference
• Our consulting services

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