

## HOUSING PARTNERS, LLC 1105 KENSINGTON PARK DRIVE, SUITE 200 ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, FLORIDA 32714

TEL: (407) 333-3233 FAX: (407) 333-3919

September 29, 2014

Mr. Ken Reecey
FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
227 North Bronough St., Suite 500
Tallahassee, FL 32301

**RE: 2014/2015 RFA COMMENTS** 

Dear Ken:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the 2014/2015 Housing Credit Competitive Solicitation Process.

We would like FHFC and its staff to consider the following in finalizing the upcoming Request for Application (RFA) round.

- 1. We would strongly urge FHFC to consider issuing 3 separate RFA's as in the 2013 round – 1 for Small and Medium Counties and 2 separate RFA's for the large counties. The issues addressed at the workshop appear to involve in large part the South Florida Large Counties. With the issuance of a separate RFA for the South Florida Large Counties, FHFC has the opportunity to address the issues raised that are particular to that market in the RFA itself.
- 2. We would encourage FHFC not to include the Career Source Centers as a service for proximity scoring.
- Proximity distances for Small and Medium Counties should be expanded to an acceptable range that will still allow for residents to take advantage of the services.
- 4. The Homeless Demographic should not fulfill the goal of one development per county as it will not help meet the need for Elderly and Family developments. WE would propose that 1 Homeless deal be funded in the South Florida RFA and 1 in the separate Large County RFA.

Mr. Ken Reecey September 29, 2014 Page Two

5. The limitation on the number of Applications submitted by a Developer should not be implemented in this RFA round. This is an issue that should be addressed in a specific workshop to allow for additional input and thoughts.

We thank you for your consideration of the foregoing and the continued opportunity to continue providing economically viable affordable housing in our communities.

Yours truly,

Glen F. Bamberger

Wendover Housing Partners, LLC

Cc:

Mr. Steve Auger

Ms. Laura Cox

Ms. Nancy Muller

Ms. Jade Grubbs

Mr. Wellington Meffert