



**2019 ANNUAL TRAINING MEETING
FOR HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS**
Westshore Grand Hotel, 4860 W. Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa Florida, 33609 (813) 286-4400

AGENDA

“Strengthening Communities Using Creative Housing and Economic Development”

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019

- “FREE” Pre-Conference Training - Florida Housing Coalition** *Poinciana*
1 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - **PROFICIENCY IN INCOME QUALIFICATION SHIP, CDBG, HOME, AND OTHER RESOURCES** *Salons A-B*
 This training covers numerous critical eligibility activities, including applicant intake, calculation and verification of assets and annual income, determining household size, as well as, appropriate file documentation. Hands on exercises will challenge participants to apply qualification methods to case studies and to reflect on how lessons learned may be applied to each participant’s daily SHIP work, as well as, CDBG, HOME, and other funding resources.
Presenting: Michael Chaney, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL
- **1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Board members Raise the Roof Trusses for Habitat ...
- 2** 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm Marketplace Display Booth Set-up *Grand Foyer*
- 3** 4:00 pm –5:00 pm **FCDA Board Logistics meeting** *Poinciana*
4 5:00 pm –7:00 pm **Early Registration** (Submit business card upon registration for special drawings) ... *Grand Foyer*
- 5** 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm **FCDA BOARD MEETING** *Shula’s Restaurant*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2019

- 7:30 am - 9:00 am --- Morning Coffee Station *Grand Foyer*
 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Registration (Submit your business card upon registration for special drawings) ... *Grand Foyer*
 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Marketplace Display Open *Grand Foyer*
- 9:00 am - 9:25 am (25 min)
- 6** **OPENING GENERAL SESSION** *Bayshore 2 & 3*
- OPENING:** Emory Counts, FCDA Executive Director/Secretary-Treasurer, Daytona Beach, FL
- WELCOME:**
 Cheryl Howell, FCDA PRESIDENT, and Affordable Housing Services Director, Hillsborough County, FL
- GREETINGS:** Alicia Scott-Ford, Field Office Director, HUD, Jacksonville, FL
- SPONSOR RECOGNITIONS:**

BOARD OPENINGS/BALLOTS: Emory Counts, FCDA Executive Director/Secretary-Treasurer**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

9:35 am – 10:55 am (80 min)

7 BEST PRACTICES: SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE SHIP ANNUAL REPORT..... *Poinciana*

This training is designed for those who are new to creating the SHIP Annual Report, as well as, those with years of experience. Learn how to access and use the SHIP annual report website, and how to locate the data to record in the reports. The presenter will discuss certification procedures and the tracking of expenditures, demographics, deadlines and more.

Presenting: Michael Chaney, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL**Moderator:** Annie Gibson, Housing Programs Supervisor, Neighborhood Services Division, Lakeland, FL**8 ANNUAL CONVERSATIONS WITH YOUR LEGAL, FINANCE, AND ADMIN TEAMS TO HELP MEET CDBG, HOME, AND SHIP COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS** *Westshore*

It can be pretty scary to get a new person who has little experience taking care of the information you need to meet your respective compliance requirements for each funding source. For certain, your financial accountability information is the key to connecting your expenditures to program accomplishments. However, the world of compliance is far more complicated, and requires maintaining coordination from several sectors to keep your overall system running smoothly. Remember, you are responsible for building/educating/maintaining your internal and external teams to facilitate accomplishment of goals. This can be made so much easier with some effective some up-front communication.

Presenting: Brenda Likely, Fiscal Manager, Hillsborough County, FL**Moderator:** Diana Wesloski, Assistant County Manager, Ft. Pierce, FL

11:00 am – 12:15 pm (75 min)

9 BEST PRACTICES: PREPARING FOR HUD MONITORING *Poinciana*

The workshop will provide an overview of the monitoring process for State and Federal housing and community development programs (HUD CPD programs, and will touch on SHIP). The workshop will outline the purpose for compliance monitoring and cover ways community development professionals and agencies can prepare for monitoring visits including appropriate display of your policies and procedures, and good practices to ensure contract compliance from internal and external partners. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions, share their experiences, and discuss best practices.

Presenting: Erich Chatham, Partner/CEO Civitas Training, Mount Pleasant, SC**Moderator:** Miles Ballogg, Brownfield Programs Director, Cardno, Clearwater, FL**10 PREPARING FOR SHIP PROGRAM MONITORING** *Westshore*

Don't get nervous about your next monitoring visit—get prepared. This workshop will report results from an analysis of recent monitoring reports to help you prepare. Learn about the program details that SHIP and federal program monitors focus their attention on during their review. The training will outline SHIP rule compliance, as well as options for addressing non-compliance. Beyond discussing mere compliance, this training will help you perform a health and effectiveness "checkup" on your local housing program using diagnostic exercises and group activities.

Presenting: Michael Chaney, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL**Moderator:** Bridget Engelman, CDBG Program Spvsr., Hsng & Neighborhood Dev., HHS, Polk County, FL

12:25 pm - 2:05 pm (100 min)

11 FCDA OPENING LUNCHEON *Bayshore 2 & 3*

MODERATOR:

Cheryl Howell, FCDA PRESIDENT, and Director, Affordable Housing Services, Hillsborough County, FL

BLESSING OF THE MEAL:

Roszell White, Youth Pastor, First Baptist Church of Progress Village, Tampa, Florida

GREETINGS:

George Mensah, NCDA President, and Director of Community Development, City of Miami, FL

BEST PRACTICES: INNOVATIVE PROJECTS TO BUILD COMMUNITIES

Monclaud Nestor, Relationship Mgr, PNC Bank, Florida Community Development Banking, Ft. Pierce, FL

Machelle Maner, Community Development Officer, Wells Fargo Bank

Louis Freeman, V.P. Community Development, BB&T Bank, Orlando, FL

Shawn Wilson, President, Blue Sky Communities Development Company, Tampa, FL

SHIRLEY TAYLOR-PRAKELT OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD:

CHDO/NON-PROFIT DIAMOND AWARD:

Felicia Crosby-Rucker, FCDA Board, Dir. Homelessness Services, Hillsborough County, FL

FRIEND OF CD AWARD - HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY:

Cheryl Howell, FCDA PRESIDENT, and Director, Affordable Housing Services, Hillsborough County, FL

DESSERT - MARKETPLACE DISPLAY BOOTH AREA: ... *products, services, and special drawings.*

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

2:15 pm - 3:30 pm (75 min)

12 BEST PRACTICES: SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE CAPER *Westshore*

The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is one of the most important publications produced by Federal HUD grantees. It is required to report on progress toward the goals and accomplishments included in the Consolidated Plan. The Report is designed to help states and jurisdictions assess affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions, and make data-driven place-based decisions. Moreover, these data have been used by Congress to document the need for programs and funding or on the other hand to rationalize funding decreases. It is critically important to report all accomplishments accurately... learn more about how to complete this report and how it is being used.

Presenting: Erich Chatham, Partner/CEO Civitas Training, Mount Pleasant, SC

Moderator: Bridget Engelman, CDBG Program Spvsr., Housing & Neighborhood Dev., HHS, Polk County, FL

13 PRE- AND POST-DISASTER RECOVERY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS *Westshore*

Florida must be prepared for hurricanes, fires, floods, tornados and more. Every hurricane season has the potential to be a destructive one - this is incentive enough to plan for disaster. This workshop will include presenters who will detail new construction and rehabilitation features that strengthen a home against

damage from future disasters. Participants will learn to identify community partners who are preparing for disasters and organizing to respond when the time comes. Presenters will address the valuable contribution of the SHIP program in responding to past disasters. Learn how to ‘tune up’ your disaster response strategy. Key topics will include SHIP frequently asked disaster questions, volunteer organizations in disaster management, and the housing administrator’s role in the preparedness, response and recovery phases.

Presenting: Michael Chaney, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL

Gary Causey, Community Development Partnership Director, Florida SPECS, Sanford, FL

Moderator: Frances DeJesus, Housing and Community Development Coordinator, City of Kissimmee, FL

3:40 pm - 4:55 pm (75 min)

14 BEST PRACTICES: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT *Poinciana*

The focus of economic development under HUD is to strengthen communities through increasing the overall number of jobs, expanding of higher paying jobs, adding to the local tax base, diversifying the local economy, and improving the wealth and self-sufficiency for local residents. Of particular interest to practitioners are successful models that have worked in other places, practical strategies and safeguards, monitoring progress, making real-time adjustments, and etcetera. Palm Beach County’s successful economic development program will be one of the models featured in this session.

Presenting: Alis Drumgo, Interim CRA Director, Lakeland, FL (*Annie Gibson*)

Meri Weymer, Hsg. and Econ. Sustainability Bus. Investments Mgr., Palm Beach County, FL (*Dorina*)

Moderator: Annetta Jenkins, Director of Neighborhood Services, Riviera Beach, FL

15 MIXED-INCOME AND MIXED-USE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT *Westshore (McCleary)*

At its best, mixed-income multifamily development combats residential segregation, improves communication, and breaks up concentrations of impoverished/low-income households. There are many other social, cultural, and community-stability advantages, including fostering diverse social networks and providing observable models of how successful persons ... “made it”. Housing units can encompass a variety of types from apartments and town homes, to single-family homes for persons with a range of income levels. Upward mobility is one of the most important focuses of this housing type. Over the years, developers have learned that even living in close proximity doesn’t always stimulate the interactions needed to achieve positive interactions. Rather, it is necessary to have common spaces and common program activities aimed at creating communication-opportunities. Mixed-use housing can aid in creating richer communication-opportunities as it blends residential, commercial, cultural, institutional, entertainment, and other uses. Hear more about how this type housing and associated programming is improving neighborhoods and communities.

Presenting: Leroy Moore, Sr. Vice President, & COO, Housing Authority of Tampa, FL (*McCleary*)

Moderator: Annie Gibson, Housing Programs Supervisor, Neighborhood Services Division, Lakeland, FL

5:30 pm - 6:45 pm (75 min)

16 NEW MEMBERS & FIRST-TIME ATTENDEES FORUM *Hospitality Suite*

Bring your business card to participate in the “Business Card Exchange and Special Prize Drawings”!

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019

6:30 am - 7:30 am *Yoga with the Best of Them...* (Participate both days to enter special Drawing) *Grand Foyer*
Bring your Yoga mat..... *Bayshore 2 & 3*
 7:30 am - 9:00 am --- Morning Coffee Station *Grand Foyer*
 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Registration (*Submit your business card upon registration*) *Grand Foyer*
 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Marketplace Display Open *Grand Foyer*

9:00 am - 10:15 pm (75 min)

17 GENERAL SESSION: OPPORTUNITY ZONES - OUR CRITICAL MOMENT ... *Bayshore 2 & 3*

The Opportunity Zone (OZ) program, created in the December 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, offers flexible and generous tax benefits for private investment in designated census tracts across the country. In Florida, 427 low-income tracts are now primed to enjoy the benefits of desperately needed capital for new housing, businesses, and even infrastructure. As OZ program guidelines are finalized in 2019, every community development advocate must ask: will this investment be deployed to the benefit of residents living in those communities, or will it benefit wealthy investors pursuing tax benefits? The community development system, including local governments, nonprofits, private individuals, philanthropy, and neighborhood leaders, must play a paramount role in the deployment of Opportunity Zone capital in the years ahead. Fortunately, there are concrete methods for attracting capital with a social purpose. Time is short and the stakes are high to make the OZ program work for residents, not against them.

Presenting: Ben Toro-Spears, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL
 Gary Causey, Community Development Partnership Director, Florida SPECS, Sanford, FL

Moderator: Jeannette Smith, Director, Community Development Department, Miami Gardens, FL

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

10:25 pm - 11:40 am (75 min)

18 WRITING WINNING GRANT APPLICATIONS *Poinciana*

This workshop will provide an overview of the grant proposal process for public funding. The workshop will teach participants practical skills, tips and tricks to successfully apply for grants. Participants will learn:

- How to identify the most appropriate grant for your program
- The basic components of a grant application
- How to develop a strong problem or needs statement
- How to develop measurable goals and objectives
- Top 5 reasons grant applications are rejected

Presenting: Olivette Carter, Director, Community Services Department, Seminole County, FL
 Melody Frederick, Compliance Officer, Community Services Department, Seminole County, FL

Moderator:

Miles Ballogg, Practice Group Leader-Brownfield & Econ. Development, Cardno Inc., Clearwater, FL

19 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM *Westshore*

Hear about how to get the most out of this important program. The federal Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program provides funding for a variety of activities to address homelessness as authorized under the Homeless emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009 and State program requirements. Activities include to (1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street, (2) rapidly re-house homeless individuals and families, (3) help operate and provide essential

services in emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families, and (4) prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless.

Presenting: Kayon Henderson, Community Development Specialist II, City of Tampa, Tampa, FL (Vanessa)

Moderator: Frances DeJesus, Housing and Community Development Coordinator, City of Kissimmee, FL

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm (120 min)

20 LUNCHEON *"Maintaining the Momentum Going Forward" ...Bayshore 2 & 3*

MODERATOR: Vanessa McCleary, FCDA Board, Housing & Comm. Development Manager, City of Tampa, FL

BLESSING OF THE MEAL:

GREETINGS: Mike Merrill, County Administrator, Hillsborough County, FL

Nancy Jewell, FCDA 1st VICE PRESIDENT, Community Development Administrator, Palm Bay, FL

BEST PRACTICES: INNOVATIVE PROJECTS TO BUILD COMMUNITIES

Martin Greenlee, Senior Vice President of Sales, Neighborly Software, Atlanta, GA

Geoff Hamilton, President, ZoomGrants, Denver, CO

Hancock Bank, Tampa, FL

Janet de Guehery, Communications & Marketing Mgr., Florida Community Loan Fund, Orlando, FL

FRIEND OF CD AWARD - CITY OF TAMPA, FL:

Vanessa McCleary, FCDA Board, Housing & Comm. Development Manager, City of Tampa, FL

DESSERT IN THE MARKETPLACE DISPLAY BOOTH AREA *Grand Foyer*

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

2:10 pm - 3:25 am (75 min)

21 NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY MARKETING WORKSHOP *Poinciana*

Marketing is the planned process through which information, goods, and services move from concept to the consumer. Come learn about some of the more creative ways to market programs and activities that have really been successful. Move through marketing concept, distribution, marketing strategy, management, and maintenance. You'll hear about practical strategies that not only excites client interest, stimulates advocacy and public responses/comments, and importantly satisfies the community participation requirement.

Presenting: Robin Williams, President RKW Media, Riviera Beach, FL

Ann Marie Sorrell, The Mosaic Group, Riviera Beach, FL

C. Allen/CRA Media, Riviera Beach, FL

Moderator: Nancy Sharifi, FCDA Board, Program Manager, Orange County, FL

22 BEST PRACTICES: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ROLE IN PROMOTING FAIR HOUSING ... *Westshore*

This workshop discusses the role and responsibility of local governments in affirmatively furthering fair housing using federal, state, and private resources. Participants will review the tools available to local governments in 2019 to guard against, receive, manage, and discharge complaints, along with the latest update on HUD fair housing requirements and how to support local businesses. Participants will gain an understanding of the distinction between place-based and mobility-based strategies for increasing access to opportunity for Fair Housing Act protected classes.

Presenting: Patricia A. Newton, Human Rights Investigations Supervisor, HCD Division, City of Tampa, FL
Ben Toro-Spears, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL

Moderator: Octavia Sherrod, FCDA Board, Community Development Manager, Boynton Beach, FL

GENERAL SESSION

3:35 pm - 4:50 pm (75 min)

23 "REAL TALK" ROUNDTABLE -- FCDA BOARD MEMBERS AND FIELD EXPERTS...

**HOUSING, NON-PROFITS, FINANCING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BROWNFIELDS, ...
HOW CAN WE HELP?** *Westshore*

Ask your own questions and help answer questions posed by others. This session created significant interest from last year's participants. It seems when we get together there is an awful lot share and many of us are facing the same kinds of challenges at home. FCDA presents this session as an example of what we can accomplish together... understanding that we have a huge treasure trove of valuable experiences that need to be shared ...and this sort of "*collective-focus*" is just *one* way to access it.

SEE LISTING BELOW OF ALL FCDA BOARD MEMBERS:

Miles Ballogg, Practice Group Leader-Brownfield & Econ. Development, Cardno Inc., Clearwater, FL
Seletha Bradley-Morris, Community Development Dir., Habitat for Humanity GVC, Daytona Beach, FL
Olivette Carter, Director, Community Services Department, Seminole County, FL
Felicia Crosby-Rucker, Director, Homelessness Services, Hillsborough County, FL
Frances DeJesus, Housing and Community Development Coordinator, City of Kissimmee, FL
Bridget Engelman, CDBG Program Supervisor, Housing & Neighborhood Dev., HHS, Polk County, FL
Annie Gibson, Housing Programs Supervisor, Neighborhood Services Division, Lakeland, FL
Linda Graham, Assist Director, Housing and Community Services, Brevard County, FL
R.T. Hillery, Executive Director, Florida SPECS, Sanford, FL
Cheryl Howell, FCDA PRESIDENT, and Affordable Housing Services Director, Hillsborough County, FL
Annetta Jenkins, Director of Neighborhood Services, Riviera Beach, FL
Nancy Jewell, FCDA 1st VICE PRESIDENT, Community Development Administrator, Palm Bay, FL
Dorina Jenkins-Gaskin, FCDA Past-President, Mortgage and Housing Investments Mgr., W. Palm Beach, FL
Cheryl Martin, Director, Marion County Community Services Department, Ocala, FL
Vanessa McCleary, Housing & Community Development Manager, City of Tampa, FL
Vicki Placide-Pickard, Community Development Coordinator, Deerfield Beach, FL
Aileen Pruitt, V.P. & Florida Market Manager, PNC Bank Community Dev. Banking, Tampa, FL
Nancy Sharifi, Program Manager, Orange County, FL
Octavia Sherrod, Community Development Manager, Boynton Beach, FL
Jeannette Smith, Director, Community Development Department, Miami Gardens, FL
Diana Wesloski, Assistant County Manager, Ft. Pierce, FL

SAMPLE OF PARTICIPATING FIELD EXPERTS:

Alicia Scott-Ford, Field Office Director, HUD, Jacksonville, FL
Gary Causey, Community Development Partnership Director, Florida SPECS, Sanford, FL
Geoff Hamilton, President, ZoomGrants, Denver, CO
Cardell Cooper, Past-Assistant HUD Secretary, Washington, DC
Willie J. Day, Jr., Past-President NCDA, Pres., Day to Day Associates, Anderson, SC
Martin Greenlee, Senior Vice President of Sales, Neighborly Software, Atlanta, GA
Paul Robinson, National Director of HUD- RAD, Vecino Group, Atlanta, GA

Moderator:

Cheryl Howell, FCDA PRESIDENT, and Director, Affordable Housing Services, Hillsborough County, FL

6:00 pm - 9:30 pm (210 min)

24 PRACTITIONERS NETWORKING RECEPTION Bayshore 2 & 3

Be Cool and Comfortable at this FUN activity..... !!!

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019

6:00 am - 7:00 am Yoga with the Best of Them... (Participate both days to enter Special Drawing) ... Grand Foyer

Bring your Yoga mat..... Bayshore 2 & 3

8:00 am - 8:30 am Morning Coffee Station Grand Foyer

8:30 am - 12:00 pm Marketplace Display Open Grand Foyer

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

8:30 am - 9:45 pm (75 min)

25 GOING PAPERLESS IN THE NEW DIGITAL WORLD Westshore

Few could have predicted we would be here, yet this new future of paperless information and reporting is coming at us with ever increasing lightning speed ...and we need to get prepared. Going “paperless” brings up all kinds of compliance questions respective to each of our funding resources and how monitoring would be handled with no hard copy files. Would there be uniform forms or even a need for onsite monitoring visits? What special instructions would you need to give your administrative, legal, and finance teams?

Presenting: Martin Greenlee, Sr. Vice President of Sales, Neighborly Software, Atlanta, GA

Moderator: Willie J. Day, Jr., Past-President NCDA, Pres., Day to Day Associates, Anderson, SC

26 PARTNERING, COLLABORATING AND OTHER COST-EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES TO DEVELOP AFFORDABLE HOUSING Poinciana

Efforts to provide affordable housing are occurring at a time of great change. Past and current efforts to expand rental housing, increase the percentage of sustainable homeownership to ultimately promote stable families and healthy communities have been uneven in their effectiveness. In this session, hear about some practical ways to develop affordable housing in your community by creatively applying your resources.

Presenting:

Leigh Newton, V.P. Construction & Real Estate, Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando/Osceola Counties, FL

Paul Robinson, National Director of HUD- RAD, Vecino Group, Atlanta, GA

Moderator: Cardell Cooper, Past-Assistant HUD Secretary, Washington, DC

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10:00 am - 10:15 am (75 min)

27 EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION STYLES FOR A PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE Westshore

Learn more about the kind of communicator you are and how to be effective at using your strengths. Effective communication is crucial to building your “Team” and getting the very best proficiency and productivity out of your team-members/workforce. A communication style refers to the way people communicate whether verbally, nonverbally, in writing, and/or indirectly where the message comes not by the words you use, but rather by subtle cues with the expectation that the other person will figure out what you “really” mean. On the other hand, you don’t want to inadvertently communicate something that you didn’t mean! The challenge is to use it all optimally to communicate the message and effectively dictate how listeners receive, interpret, and respond to messages.

Presenting: Curtis Johnson, Founder & CEO, The Cuvey Group, LLC, Ft. Pierce, FL (Dorina)

Moderator: Octavia Sherrod, Community Development Manager, Boynton Beach, FL

Dorina Jenkins-Gaskin, FCDA Past-President, Mortgage and Housing Investments Mgr., W. Palm Beach, FL

28 PLANNING FOR SUCCESS: PRESERVING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN REDEVELOPMENT AREAS

Community redevelopment in low-income communities can often result in housing unaffordability, as once undesirable neighborhoods become neighborhoods of choice due to such factors as location close to the city center, access to transit and historic housing stocks. Communities can utilize several tools to achieve redevelopment without displacement. The Florida Housing Coalition will instruct on two that when used together can form the foundation of an effective anti-displacement strategy: the community land trust model for permanent housing affordability and surplus land. Come learn about what community land trusts are, how they work and how surplus land can be used to support redevelopment without displacement.

Presenting: Ashon Nesbitt, Technical Advisor, Florida Housing Coalition, Tallahassee, FL

Moderator: Linda Graham, Assist Director, Housing and Community Services, Brevard County, FL

12:15 - 2:15 pm (120 min)

28 FCDA LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING Bayshore 2 & 3

MODERATOR:

BLESSING OF THE MEAL:

VOTING RESULTS, BOARD INSTALLATION AND PRESENTATION OF BOARD MEMBERS:

Emory Counts, FCDA Executive Director/Secretary-Treasurer

COMMENTS FROM THE FCDA PAST-PRESIDENT:

Cheryl Howell, FCDA PAST-PRESIDENT, and Affordable Housing Services Director, Hillsborough County, FL

MICHAEL D. SMITH "TIMEX" AWARD:

Felicia Crosby-Rucker, FCDA Board, Director, Homelessness Services, Hillsborough County, FL

ADA COMPLIANCE "OR ELSE" IN THE NEW DIGITAL WORLD

Given the explosive growth of *electronic and information technology (EIT)*, it is our understanding HUD will be stepping up its emphasis on access ...under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, requires HUD to ensure when developing, procuring, maintaining, or using EIT, that persons with disabilities have access and can use the information and data comparably to those without disabilities unless an undue burden would result to the Federal agency.

PANELISTS:

LaCree Carswell, FCDA Past-President, Carswell & Associates, Jacksonville, FL

Orange County, FL

Jack Humberg, Community Legal Services, Tampa, FL

JAMES E. HUGER AWARD: Octavia Sherrod, Community Development Manager, Boynton Beach, FL

RECOGNITION OF SPONSORS:

CLOSING:

Nancy Jewell, FCDA PRESIDENT, Community Development Administrator, Palm Bay, FL

DOOR PRIZES:

Diana Wesloski, Assistant County Manager, Ft. Pierce, FL

Willette Hollinger, Special Projects Coordinator, Affordable Housing Services, Hillsborough County, FL

Linda Graham, Assist Director, Housing and Community Services, Brevard County, FL

29 ADJOURN:

2:20 pm – 5:00 pm

30 FCDA BOARD CLOSEOUT MEETING: *Bayshore 2 & 3*