CDC Certification Program

an initiative of

FLACDC
FLORIDA ALLIANCE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS
The Florida Alliance of Community Development Corporations

Our mission is to secure the financial well-being and future of low- and moderate-income people by advancing the

- Housing
- Economic development and
- Community building strategies of Florida’s nonprofit organizations
What is CDC Certification?

FLACDC has developed standards to guide the operations of the Community and Economic Development Industry in Florida in three critical operational areas.

- Governance
- Finance
- Program
Certification Process

- Request application
- 30 days to submit
- Complete application & independent third-party review
- In-house review
Certification Process

- Application summary prepared
- Opportunity to ‘cure’ deficiencies provided
- Technical Assistance plan created
- Summary finalized for review by Certification Advisory Council
Certification Advisory Council

CAC composed of representatives from the following sectors:

- Financial Services
- Community Development
- Philanthropic
- Local Government
- CDFI
- Corporate
Certification Thresholds: Governance

- Appropriate organizational structure evidenced by compliance with mission, bylaws, code of regulations
- Appropriate internal operations as demonstrated by compliance with internal policies and procedures
- Free of conflict of interest in all aspects of operations
Certification Thresholds: Finance

- Defined financial management structure; fiscal policies and procedures documented and enforced
- Independent, third party audits with issue free management letters, and
- Demonstrated capacity to manage financial and other resources effectively
Certification Thresholds: Performance

- Strategic plan in place with evidence of implementation
- Documented collaboration with community partners
- Evidence of community involvement
- Documentation of accomplishments as compared to goals
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