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COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

Florida Alliance of
Community Development Corporations
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QUESTIONS FROM AUDIENCE MARKETING SURVEY



QUICK OVERVIEW

- **State tax credit program**
- **Encourages private donations to housing and community development projects**
- **\$21.9 million tax credits: 2014 and 2015**
- **121 approved sponsors**
- **DEO processes sponsor applications and tax credit applications**
- **Expiration Date: June 30, 2016**

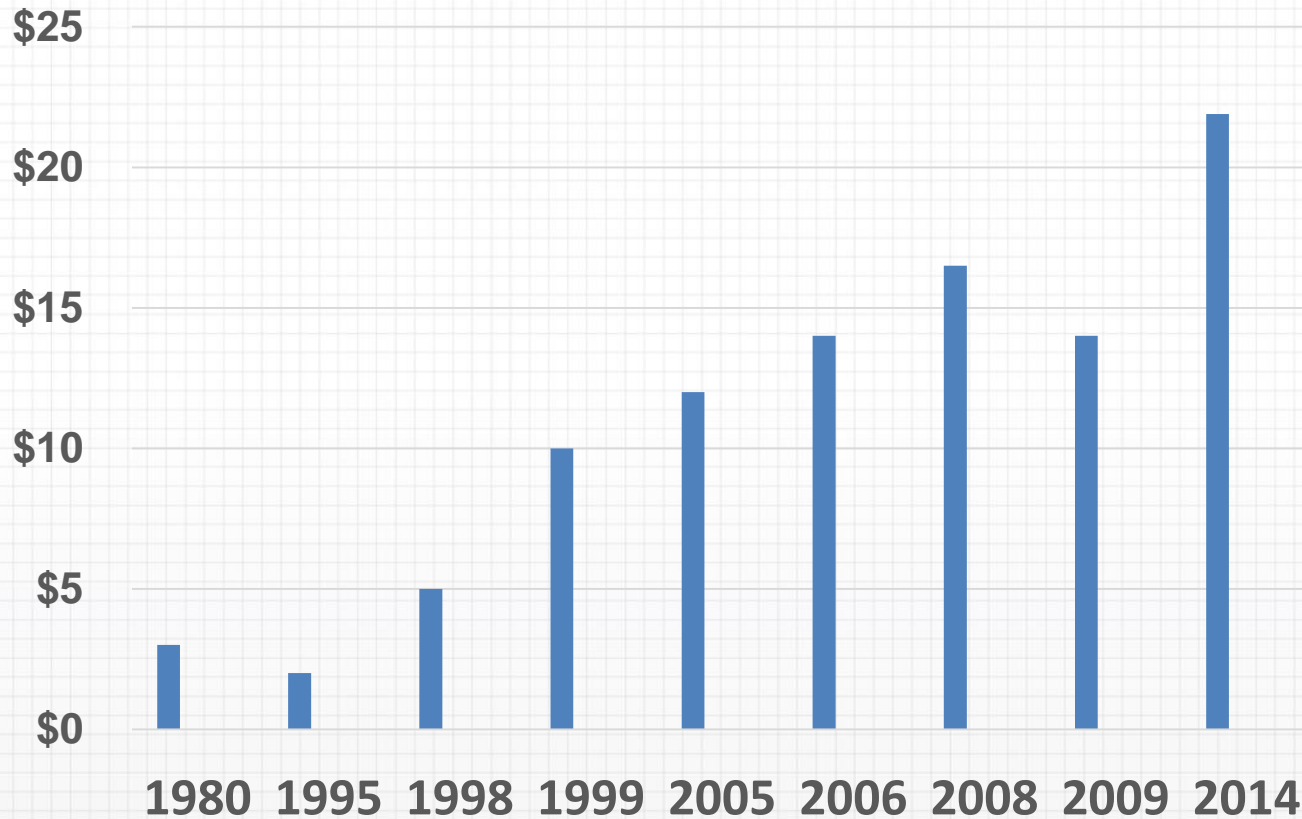


PROGRAM HISTORY

- Established by Florida Legislature: 1980
- Administrative Responsibilities:
 - 1980 – 1994 Department of Community Affairs
 - 1995 – 1996 Department of Commerce
 - 1996 – 2011 Governor's Office
 - 2011 - Department of Economic Opportunity
- Expiration Date: June 30, 2016



TAX CREDIT ALLOCATIONS MILLION DOLLARS



FY 2014/15 & FY 2015/16 TAX CREDIT ALLOCATIONS

- Homeownership Projects for low-income persons:

\$18.4 million

- All Other Projects:

\$3.5 million (subject to Pro-Rata)

Nine Year Average Pro-Rata Approval Rate:

87%

TAX BENEFITS

- A tax credit of up to 50% of the value of the donation against:
- Florida Corporate Income Tax; or
- Florida Insurance Premium Tax
- A sales tax refund of up to 50% of the value of the donation for donors collecting and remitting Florida Sales Taxes to DOR (based on prior 12-month remittance amount)



ELIGIBLE DONATIONS

- Cash or other liquid assets; or
- Real Property; or
- Goods or inventory

Tax credits based on the “fair market value” of the donated goods or real property

ELIGIBLE SPONSORS

- A. Nonprofit community-based development organization whose mission is:
 1. Providing Housing to Low-Income Persons
 2. Increasing Entrepreneurial Opportunities for Low-Income Persons
 3. Increasing Job-Development Opportunities for Low-Income Persons

- B. Community Action Programs
- C. Neighborhood Housing Services Corporations
- D. Local Housing Authorities
- E. Community Redevelopment Agencies
- F. Enterprise Zone Development Agencies
- G. Units of Local Government
- H. Units of State Government



ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Construct, improve or rehabilitate housing that is affordable to low-income persons; or
- Provide commercial, industrial, or public resources and facilities; or
- Improve entrepreneurial or job-development opportunities for low-income persons.
- Non-housing projects are required to be located within an Enterprise Zone or Front Porch Florida Community



PROPOSED PROJECT OUTLINE

ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Articles of Incorporation
- By-laws
- Division of Corporation's Registration Certificate
- IRS 501(c)3 Designation Letter
- Current FDACS' Solicitation of Contributions Act Registration Letter



PROPOSED PROJECT OUTLINE

PROJECT NARRATIVE:

- Describes the eligible project
- Lists the types of donations sought
- Identifies the uses for donations
- Estimates the total project cost
- Estimates the number of jobs (if applicable)
- Estimates the completion date of the project



PROPOSED PROJECT OUTLINE

LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

- Non-housing Projects must be located within an Enterprise Zone or Front Porch Florida Community (Location Verification Required)
- Housing Projects for low-income persons may be located anywhere in Florida
- Local Government Resolution:
Certifies the proposed project is consistent with local plans and regulations (including local comprehensive plans)



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