Special Needs Households

Under Florida Statute, a person with special needs is defined as:
- An adult person requiring independent living services in order to maintain housing or develop independent living skills and who has a disabling condition.
  - Disabling condition means a diagnosable substance abuse disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability, or chronic physical illness or disability, or the co-occurrence of two or more of these conditions, and a determination that the condition is: (a) Expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration; and (b) not expected to impair the ability of the person with special needs to live independently with appropriate supports.
- A young adult formerly in foster care who is eligible for services under s. 409.1451(5);
- A survivor of domestic violence as defined in s. 741.28;
- A person receiving benefits under the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) program or the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program or from veterans’ disability benefits. (Section 420.0004 (13), Florida Statutes)

Income Definitions

A household is considered to be “low income” if household income is at or below 60 percent of the area median income (AMI)

ELI/or cost burdened if household income is 30% (federal definition) 40% (Florida definition) of AMI.

Severely cost burdened if household income is 15% AMI.

Support Services

Individuals with special needs generally require an array of services to maintain their housing. A key service is case management and for persons considered ELI rental assistance.

Other support services range from traditional clinical treatment services to housing assistance services.

Housing assistance services are services such as tenant orientation/move-in assistance, housekeeping, cooking, shopping and other independent living skills, apartment safety skills, and using public transportation.

Other supports include job/educations skills, and respite care.

Resources

The best resource to find affordable housing is Florida is Florida Housing Finance Corporation’s online search FloridaHousingSearch.org .

Corporation for Supportive Housing: http://www.csh.org/

National Low Income Housing Coalition: http://nlihc.org/
IMPACT OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING ON PUBLIC RESOURCES

Sources: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, CSH, and other state studies

-34%
-23% to -34%
-23% to -29%
-41% to -67%

+31%
Medicaid Enrollees and Expenditures by Enrollment Group, 2007

- Elderly: 10%
- Disabled: 15%
- Adults: 25%
- Children: 49%

Enrollees: Total = 58 million
Expenditures on benefits: Total = $300 billion

SOURCE: Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured and Urban Institute estimates based on 2007 MSIS and CMS64 data.
Florida

Senators: Bill Nelson and Marco Rubio

Many renters in Florida are extremely low income and face a housing cost burden. Across the state, there is a deficit of rental units both affordable and available to extremely low income (ELI) renter households, i.e. those with incomes at 30% or less of the area median income (AMI).

Last updated: 6/24/16

**KEY FACTS**

- **36%** Households in this state that are renters
- **504,389** OR
- **19%** Renter households that are extremely low income
- **$17,130** Maximum state level income for an ELI household
- **$392,474** Shortage of units affordable and available for extremely low income renters

**State Housing Wage**

The hourly amount a household must earn to afford a two-bedroom rental unit at HUD’s Fair Market Rent

**AFFORDABLE & AVAILABLE UNITS FOR ELI RENTER HOUSEHOLDS**

- **Less than 25 units** per 100 ELI households
- **Between 25 - 45 units** per 100 ELI households
- **More than 45 units** per 100 ELI households

**HOUSING COST BURDEN BY INCOME GROUP**

Renter households spending more than 30% of their income on housing costs and utilities are cost burdened; those spending more than half of their income are considered severely cost burdened.

**AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE UNITS PER 100 RENTER HOUSEHOLDS**

Source: NLIHC tabulations of 2014 American Community Survey Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) housing file.

Source: NLIHC tabulations of 2008-2012 Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data.

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