



# Florida Non-Profit Housing, Inc.'s Quarterly Review Newsletter

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## NATIONAL RURAL HOUSING CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The 2023 National Rural Housing Conference. The conference was held October 24-27 in Washington, DC. There were nearly 700 rural housing practitioners and policymakers that came together. Practitioners from local nonprofits, federal agencies, Congress, state and local governments, and other industry leaders gathered for two-and-a-half days of training, networking, and reconnecting to “Build Rural.”

<https://ruralhome.org/event/2023-national-rural-housing-conference/>

## Self-Help Housing Amendment – Grant Extensions

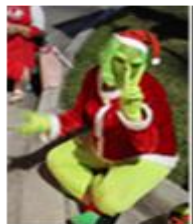
The State Director may authorize the District Director to execute on behalf of the Government, exhibit C of this subpart, at any time during the grant period provided:

- The extension period is for no more than one year from the final date of the existing Grant.
- The need for the extension is clearly justified.
- If additional funds are needed, a revised budget is submitted with a complete justification
- The grantee is within the guidelines in § 1944.420 of this subpart or the State Director determines that the best interest of the Government will be served by the extension.

[https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/1944i\\_0.pdf](https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/1944i_0.pdf)

## FNPH CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS

FNPH participated in the Town of Lake Placid, Florida’s Annual Holiday Parade. Our float theme was Whoville and the Grinch that Stole Christmas. The FNPH staff and family enjoyed spending holiday cheer to our community, while sharing our self-help program.



## Rural Housing Service - Multifamily Housing

### Preliminary Assessment Tool (PAT) Version 8.3.1 Release

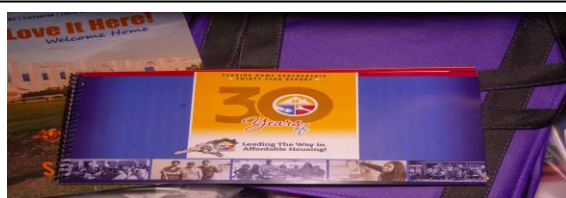
On October 2, 2023, Rural Development (RD) released Version 8.3.1 of the Preliminary Assessment Tool (PAT). RD underwriters use the PAT to document Multifamily Housing (MFH) transfer and Multifamily Preservation and Revitalization (MPR) credit-extending or loan modification decisions for assets assisted with the 515 Direct Loan Program and the 514 Off-Farm Labor Housing Program. This version has enhancements and functionality of Version 8.3, it includes updates that align the PAT with the agency-approved 2024 Management Fees. The newest version can be found on our website under the “To Apply” tab:

[Multifamily Housing Direct Loans | Rural Development \(usda.gov\).](#)

For additional information, please contact the Multifamily Housing Production & Preservation Program-  
[MFH.ProgramSupport@usda.gov](mailto:MFH.ProgramSupport@usda.gov).

## FNPH HAS A NEW SELF-HELP SPECIALIST

Dora Murphy joined FNPH in September as a Self-Help Specialist. She will be providing T&MA services in our Region 1 Southeast in accordance with 7CFR Part 1944-I. She comes to us with a professional management background within the truck and vehicle rental industry and owning and operating her own Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Company. Within FNPH she will be able to continue her passion to help enrich others' lives. Dora relocated from Wisconsin to enhance Florida with her mission to continue her personal commitment to helping people enrich a better way of life.



### FLORIDA HOME PARTNERSHIP CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

Florida Home Partnership (FHP) located in Ruskin, Hillsborough County, Florida celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary with a Gala Ball Event.

FHP and FNPH have worked together in the Self-Help Program, to help communities grow and provide long lasting homeownership to low and very low-income people...the American dream. FHP has helped thousands of people procure affordable home for their families who otherwise may not have had the means to do so.



To learn more about affordable housing options through FHP, please visit their website at <https://flhome.org> or email [info@flhome.org](mailto:info@flhome.org) or call 813-672-7860.

### President Biden Announces Over \$5 Billion to Support Rural Communities During Investing in Rural America Event Series

November 1, 2023, President Biden traveled to a Rural America Event Series and highlighted investments from the Biden Administration in Rural America. During the visit, President Biden announced over \$5 billion in new investments from his Investing in Rural America. to advance rural prosperity, economic development, competition, and sustainability. President Biden will also discuss how Bidenomics and his Investing in America agenda are ensuring Rural Americans will not have to leave their hometowns to find opportunity. USDA Press Release #0223.23 [Press@usda.gov](https://www.usda.gov/press-releases/2023/11/01/0223.23)

### SHARE YOUR SUCCESS STORIES

FNPH is seeking success stories of Self-Help families. We are interested in the life changing accomplishments of our grantees and the participating families. Help us spotlight your hardworking staff and families. Please submit your stories of homeownership. We also ask that you send along several photos and an authorization to FNPH. For more information or a submission, please email Dora Murphy at [dmurphy@fnph.org](mailto:dmurphy@fnph.org).

### Interest Rate Increase for SFH Direct Loan and Grant Programs

| Programs                                 | December 2023 Interest Rate | January 1, 2024, Interest Rate |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Rural Housing (RH) 502Low- Very-Low      | 4.75%                       | 5.125%                         |
| Single Family Housing (SFH) Non-Program  | 5.25%                       | 5.625%                         |
| Rural Housing Site RH-524) Non-Self-Help | 4.75%                       | 5.125%                         |

### FNPH'S NEWLY OBLIGATED GRANTEEES

- \*Demopolis Area Habitat for Humanity- AL
- \*Esther Stewart Buford Foundation- MS
- \*Multi-County Community Service Agency- MS
- \*Clinch-Powell Resource Conservation & Development Council – TN
- \*Crossville Housing Authority -TN

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