

# St. Johns County

State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP)

Annual Report FY 2022-2023 and 2023-2024

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# **Title: SHIP Annual Report**

St. Johns County FY 2022/2023 Closeout

#### Form 1

#### **SHIP Distribution Summary**

#### Homeownership

Code	Strategy	Expended Amount	Units	Encumbered Amount	Units	Unencumbered Amount	Units
1	Purchase Assistance	\$898,869.00	9				
2	Purchase Assistance	\$400,000.00	4				
3	Owner Occupied Rehab	\$1,660,388.20	32				

Homeownership Totals:

\$2,959,257.20

#### Rentals

Code	Strategy	Expended Amount	Units	Encumbered Amount	Units	Unencumbered Amount	Units
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Rental Totals:

Subtotals:

\$2,959,257.20

45

45

#### **Additional Use of Funds**

Use	
Administrative	
Homeownership Counseling	
Admin From Program Income	•
Admin From Disaster Funds	
Admin From HHRP	

Expended	Percentage
\$268,988.96	9.84 %
\$7,305.61	
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Totals:

\$3,235,551.77

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# Total Revenue (Actual and/or Anticipated) for Local SHIP Trust Fund

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Source of Funds	Amount		
State Annual Distribution	\$2,732,821.00		
Program Income (Interest)	\$188,221.55		
Program Income (Payments)	\$277,489.67		
Recaptured Funds	\$.00		
Disaster Funds			
HHRP Funds			
Carryover funds from previous year	\$52,698.06		
Total:	\$3,251,230.28		

<sup>\*</sup> Carry Forward to Next Year: \$15,678.51

NOTE: This carry forward amount will only be accurate when all revenue amounts and all expended, encumbered and unencumbered amounts have been added to Form 1

#### Form 2

# **Rental Unit Information**

Description	Eff.	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed
ELI	465	498	621	814	1,007
VLI	775	830	996	1,150	1,283
LOW	1,240	1,328	1,593	1,841	2,053
MOD	1,860	1,992	2,391	2,761	3,081
Up to 140%	2,170	2,324	2,789	3,221	3,594

Recap of Funding Sources for Units Produced ("Leveraging")

Source of Funds Produced through June 30th for Units	Amount of Funds Expended to Date	% of Total Value
SHIP Funds Expended	\$2,959,257.20	54.51%
Public Moneys Expended	\$15,646.00	.29%
Private Funds Expended	\$2,358,728.00	43.45%
Owner Contribution	\$95,046.20	1.75%
Total Value of All Units	\$5,428,677.40	100.00%

# SHIP Program Compliance Summary - Home Ownership/Construction/Rehab

Compliance Category	SHIP Funds	Trust Funds	% of Trust Fund	FL Statute Minimum %
Homeownership	\$2,959,257.20	\$2,785,519.06	106.24%	65%
Construction / Rehabilitation	\$2,559,257.20	\$2,785,519.06	91.88%	75%

# **Program Compliance - Income Set-Asides**

Income Category	SHIP Funds	Total Available Funds % *	Totals of Percentages
Extremely Low	\$355,679.20	10.94%	
Very Low	\$640,244.80	19.69%	EL+VL: 30.63%
Low	\$1,763,333.20	54.24%	EL+VL+L: 84.87%
Moderate	\$100,000.00	3.08%	
Over 120%-140%	\$100,000.00	3.08%	
Totals	\$2,959,257.20	91.02%	

# **Project Funding for Expended Funds Only**

Income Category	Total Funds Mortgages, Loans & DPL's	Mortgages, Loans & DPL Unit #s	Total Funds SHIP Grants	SHIP Grant Unit #s	Total SHIP Funds Expended	Total # Units
Extremely Low	\$355,679.20	6	\$.00	0	\$355,679.20	6
Very Low	\$640,244.80	11	\$.00	0	\$640,244.80	11
Low	\$1,763,333.20	26	\$.00	0	\$1,763,333.20	26
Moderate	\$100,000.00	1	\$.00	0	\$100,000.00	1
Over 120%-140%	\$100,000.00	1	\$.00	0	\$100,000.00	1
Totals:	\$2,959,257.20	45	\$.00	0	\$2,959,257.20	45

# Form 3

#### Number of Households/Units Produced

Strategy	List Unincorporated and Each Municipality	ELI	VLI	Low	Mod	Over 140%	Total
Owner Occupied Rehab	St. Augustine	4	6	5			15
Owner Occupied Rehab	Unincorporated	1	4	11			16
Owner Occupied Rehab	PonteVedra			1			1
Purchase Assistance	Unincorporated			5	1		7
Purchase Assistance	St. Augustine	1	1	4			6
	Totals:	6	11	26	1		45

Characteristics/Age (Head of Household)

Description	List Unincorporated and Each Municipality	0 - 25	26 - 40	41 - 61	62+	Total
Owner Occupied Rehab	St. Augustine			4	11	15
Owner Occupied Rehab	Unincorporated		1	3	12	16
Owner Occupied Rehab	PonteVedra		1			1
Purchase Assistance	Unincorporated	2	3	1	1	7
Purchase Assistance	St. Augustine		3	3		6
	Totals:	2	R	11	24	45

**Family Size** 

Description	List Unincorporated and Each Municipality	1 Person	2-4 People	5+ People	Total
Owner Occupied Rehab	St. Augustine	6	8	1	15
Owner Occupied Rehab	Unincorporated	6	8	2	16

	Totals:	15	27	3	45
Purchase Assistance	St. Augustine	2	4		6
Purchase Assistance	Unincorporated	1	6		7
Owner Occupied Rehab	PonteVedra		1		1

#### Race (Head of Household)

Description	List Unincorporated and Each Municipality	White	Black	Hisp- anic	Asian	Amer- Indian	Other	Total
Owner Occupied Rehab	St. Augustine	11	4					15
Owner Occupied Rehab	Unincorporated	13	3					16
Owner Occupied Rehab	PonteVedra	1						1
Purchase Assistance	Unincorporated	6	1					7
Purchase Assistance	St. Augustine	2	3	1				6

Totals: 33 11 1 45

#### **Demographics (Any Member of Household)**

Description	List Unincorporated and Each Municipality	Farm Worker	Home-	Elderly	Total
Owner Occupied Rehab	St. Augustine			6	6
Owner Occupied Rehab	Unincorporated			4	4
Owner Occupied Rehab	PonteVedra				0
Purchase Assistance	Unincorporated				0
Purchase Assistance	St. Augustine				0

Totals: 10 10

# Special Target Groups for Funds Expended (i.e. teachers, nurses, law enforcement, fire fighters, etc.) Set Aside

Description	Special Target Group	Expended Funds	Total # of Expended Units
Owner Occupied Rehab	Educator/School Employee	69,369.20	1
Owner Occupied Rehab	Government Employee	105,069.85	3
Owner Occupied Rehab	Hospitality/Tourism Industry	122,408.35	2
Owner Occupied Rehab	Nurse/Healthcare	116,975.45	2
Owner Occupied Rehab	Building Trades	104,668.30	2
Owner Occupied Rehab	Retail Sales	66,965.15	1

Owner Occupied Rehab	First Responder	59,873.35	1
Purchase Assistance	Nurse/Healthcare	198,869.00	2
Purchase Assistance	Service Industry	400,000.00	4
Purchase Assistance	Building Trades	200,000.00	2
Purchase Assistance	Hospitality/Tourism Industry	100,000.00	1
Purchase Assistance	Educator/School Employee	100,000.00	1
Purchase Assistance	First Responder	100,000.00	1
Purchase Assistance	Government Employee	100,000.00	1

# Form 4

Status of Incentive Str	ategies			
Incentive	Description (If Other)	Category	Status	Year Adopted (or N/A)
Expedited permitting		Required	Implemented, in LHAP	2003
Ongoing review process		Required	Implemented, in LHAP	2003
Other	Affordable Housing Economic Incentive Program	AHAC Review	Implemented, in LHAP	2003

# **Support Services**

Support Services: The State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program in Florida provides funding to support affordable housing initiatives at the local level. Various organizations and services in St. Johns County can assist with SHIP housing initiatives in different ways. Here's a list of support services in St. Johns County that pertains to SHIP Housing initiatives, with a brief description of their roles: Emergency Services and Homeless Coalition of St. Johns County Coordinates emergency services, emergency shelter, and support for those facing homelessness. They work on strategies to prevent homelessness and provide crisis intervention.

Alpha Omega Miracle Home provides transitional housing and supportive services to homeless women and families. Their programs aim to help individuals gain self-sufficiency and stable housing.

Habitat for Humanity Partners with low-income families to build and renovate homes. It provides affordable homeownership opportunities and assists with housing stability.

Betty Griffin Center offers emergency shelter and support services to survivors of domestic violence. They provide housing and other resources to help individuals escape abusive situations.

St. Johns County Social Services provides needy residents with housing, financial, and emergency assistance. They help identify and refer individuals to SHIP housing programs and other resources. St. Johns Housing Partnership Focuses on affordable housing development and rehabilitation. They work directly with SHIP to provide housing solutions and support for low-income residents.

United Way of St. Johns County (SJC) supports various community programs and services, including those related to housing. It helps coordinate resources and funding for SHIP housing initiatives.

Catholic Charities provides emergency assistance, housing support, and social services. Their programs often include rental assistance and supportive housing services for those in need.

The Salvation Army offers emergency shelter, transitional housing, and support services. It also provides rent and utility assistance, working to help individuals and families achieve housing stability.

211 of Northeast Florida provides a free, confidential, and 24/7 helpline for individuals seeking information and referrals to community services, including housing assistance, financial aid, and emergency resources. They can connect people with SHIP housing programs and other relevant local services.

Acts 29 is a church-affiliated group that builds ramps and stairs for veterans and elderly residents.

Volunteers and donations support their programming, and there is no charge for their help.

Jimmy Jam is a nonprofit dedicated to offering a hand up, not a handout, to individuals and families facing financial hardship. Typically, they assist vulnerable families with utility, plumbing, and other emergent household needs.

Each of these organizations is critical in addressing housing needs in St. Johns County. They work with SHIP and other housing initiatives to provide support and resources for those in need. It's important to note this is not a comprehensive list of support organizations in our area, these listed above have been an active collaboration around assisting our SHIP clients.

#### **Other Accomplishments**

The Villages of New Augustine held a groundbreaking in December 2023. This project is an affordable housing development in collaboration with Ability Housing, located in the West Augustine area. The construction offers much- needed 92-unit housing options to low-income families. The completion of this project was slotted for Spring 2025 and is now scheduled for occupancy in Fall 2025.

St. Johns County has received a \$21,700 Housing Counseling Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This grant supports housing counseling services to assist residents in navigating the complexities of the housing market, including financial literacy, homebuyer education, and foreclosure prevention. This grant has now been reported as fully expended. We added a second Housing Counselor to the staff. We have done multiple instances of outreach with Housing Counseling with local Domestic Violence Shelter, Sisters of St Joseph programming, as well as collaborations with Habitat for Humanity St. Johns/St. Augustine.

From October 1, 2024, Housing Counselors have logged 94 hours with clients, conducting 100 one-on-one appointments, graduated 50 participants through HBE classes and over 2.6M in closings by Housing Counseling participants in SJC.

These efforts represent a collaborative approach to improving housing stability and affordability in St. Johns County, leveraging both public and private resources to address the needs of its most vulnerable citizens. For specific numbers of units and additional details, it would be best to refer to the latest reports or official announcements from the HFA Committee or St. Johns County government.

#### Availability for Public Inspection and Comments

An Affordable Housing Study kicked off in July of 2024 with APD Urban Planning and Management LLC, a firm from Atlanta Ga., with an anticipated report due in August 2025. Both the AHAC and HFA comprise the Strategic Committee for this study. The recommendations in this future report will lend to the larger community conversations as our county continues to see new growth and aims at multiple strategies to accommodate our workforce in multiple ways with specific solutions, including missing-middle structures, transportation solutions, and density in-fill that is right-sized for each unique area.

#### Life-to-Date Homeownership Default and Foreclosure

Total SHIP Purchase Assistance Loans: 133

#### Mortgage Foreclosures

A. Very low income households in foreclosure:
B. Low income households in foreclosure:
C. Moderate households in foreclosure:
0

Foreclosed Loans Life-to-date: 7

SHIP Program Foreclosure Percentage Rate Life to Date: 5.26

#### **Mortgage Defaults**

A. Very low income households in default:

B. Low income households in default:

C. Moderate households in default:

0

Defaulted Loans Life-to-date:

2

SHIP Program Default Percentage Rate Life to Date: 1.50

#### **Strategies and Production Costs**

Strategy	Average Cost
Owner Occupied Rehab	\$51,887.13
Purchase Assistance	\$99,913.00

#### **Expended Funds**

Total Unit Count: 4	5	Total Expended Amount:	\$2.95	9.257.	20
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Strategy	Full Name	Address	City	Zip Code	Expended Funds	FY if Unit Already Counted
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32084	\$55,097.50	
Owner Occupied Rehab	Cinimado desimano		Hastings	32145	\$65,087.15	
Owner Occupied Rehab	desirations.	TOTAL STREET,	St. Augustine	32086	\$55,125.85	
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32084	\$47,883.30	
Owner Occupied Rehab	Commission of the Control of the Con		St. Augustine	32084	\$69,369.20	

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Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32084	\$69,592.90	
Owner Occupied Rehab	A THE REAL PROPERTY.	All District (III)	St. Augustine	32086	\$44,528.75	
Owner Occupied Rehab	Energies supi		Ponte Vedra Beach	32082	\$25,594.60	
Owner Occupied Rehab	<b>GATHERINA</b>	No residence in the second	St. Augustine	32086	\$32,330.75	
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Johns	32259	\$66,643.75	
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32084	\$54,985.15	
Owner Occupied Rehab	Continue de place		St. Augustine	32086	\$30,770.45	
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32086	\$33,235.55	
Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32086	\$32,794.45	
Owner Occupied Rehab		december than the state of the	PonteVedra	32082	\$48,827.45	
Owner Occupied Rehab			Hastings	32145	\$45,282.10	
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Owner Occupied Rehab			St. Augustine	32086	\$46,442.20	
Owner Occupied Rehab	Afferdants Contib	distribution of the last of th	Hastings	32145	\$68,694.10	
Owner Occupied Rehab		Carrie of Chin	Hastings	32145	\$66,965.15	
Owner Occupied Rehab		STATE OF THE PARTY	Hastings	32145	\$62,903.80	
Owner Occupied Rehab		and the second second	St. Augustine	32084	\$55,373.55	
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Owner Occupied Rehab	Dorothy Ray	2761 Joe Ashton Road	St. Augustine	32092	\$46,668.10	
Purchase Assistance	awa magnin		St. Augustine	32086	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance	MORSH DUDGE		St. Augustine	32084	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance	Thousand	Charles Andreas	St. Augustine	32092	\$100,000.00	
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Purchase Assistance	APPROVING NO. 15	And the special leaf	St. Augustine	32084	\$100,000.00	
Purchase  Assistance			St.Johns	32259	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance			St. Augustine	32084	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance		MOZNE WIL AVOICE	Hastings	32145	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance	Addition Completely		St. Augustine	32086	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance	Greaty a	CTOUR TOMOSTICATION	Hastings	32145	\$100,000.00	
Purchase Assistance	Alonse Wills	entraction or the	St. Augustine	32084	\$98,869.00	

**Administration by Entity** 

Name	<b>Business Type</b>	Strategy Covered	Responsibility	Amount
St Johns County Housing and Community Development Department	Local Government	All		\$268,988.96

#### **Program Income**

Program Income Funds		
Loan Repayment:		\$277,489.67
Refinance:		\$.00
Foreclosure:		\$.00
Sale of Property:		\$.00
Interest Earned:		\$188,221.55
	Total:	\$465,711.22

# **Number of Affordable Housing Applications**

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Submitted	24
Approved	15
Denied	9

**Explanation of Recaptured funds** 

Description	Amoun	it
N/A		\$.00
	Total:	\$.00

**Rental Developments** 

Development Name	Owner	Address	City	Zip Code	SHIP Amount	SHIP Units	Compliance Monitored By

# Single Family Area Purchase Price

The average area purchase price of single family units:

283,894.00

Or

Not Applicable

#### Form 5

# Special Needs Breakdown

Code(s)	Strategles	Expended Amount	Units	Encumbered Amount	Units	% of Allocation
1	Purchase Assistance	\$200,000.00	2			
2	Purchase Assistance	\$100,000.00	1			
3	Owner Occupied Rehab	\$1,346,058.00	25			
	Total:	\$1,646,058.00	28			60.23%

# Special Needs Category Breakdown by Strategy

Strategies	Special Needs Category	Expended Amount	Units	Encumbered Amount	Units
(3) Owner Occupied Rehab	Receiving Social Security Disability Insurance	\$322,236.45	6		
(3) Owner Occupied Rehab	Receiving Veterans Disability Benefits	\$104,373.35	2		
(3) Owner Occupied Rehab	Receiving Supplemental Security Income	\$871,564.90	16		
(3) Owner Occupied Rehab	Developmental Disabilities	\$47,883.30	1		
(1) Purchase Assistance	Person with Disabling Condition (not DD)	\$100,000.00	1		

(1) Purchase Assistance	Receiving Supplemental Security Income	\$100,000.00	1	
(2) Purchase Assistance	Receiving Social Security Disability Insurance	\$100,000.00	1	

#### Provide a description of efforts to reduce homelessness:

St. Johns County has implemented a comprehensive approach to reducing homelessness through a variety of strategies and collaborations. Here's a detailed description of these efforts:

Collaboration with Continuum of Care (CoC)

Efforts: St. Johns County works closely with the Continuum of Care (CoC), a regional network that coordinates and integrates services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. The CoC helps streamline resources, identify service gaps, and develop strategies to address homelessness effectively. This collaboration ensures that efforts are coordinated across various agencies and service providers to create a unified approach to preventing and ending homelessness.

Social Services Integration

Efforts by Social Services in St. Johns County are crucial in addressing homelessness by providing emergency assistance, case management, and access to essential resources. By integrating services with other housing initiatives and nonprofits, Social Services helps connect individuals and families with the necessary support, including housing and financial assistance, to prevent and alleviate homelessness.

Prioritizing Projects to Alleviate Homelessness

The county prioritizes housing projects that directly address homelessness, focusing on creating affordable housing options and supportive services. Projects are evaluated based on their potential to reduce homelessness and provide long-term stability for residents.

Land Acquisition and Rental Strategy

St. Johns County employs a land acquisition strategy to secure sites for affordable housing developments. By acquiring land, the county can ensure that future rental projects are strategically located to benefit those in need. This approach helps increase the availability of affordable rental units and supports the creation of stable housing solutions.

Down Payment Assistance (DPA); The county has recently approved a Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) strategy to provide down payment assistance grants of up to \$100,000 per household. This program aims to help low-income families achieve homeownership by reducing the financial barriers to purchasing a home.

With the onset of this strategy, 9/1/2024, we have assisted over 25 households in purchasing a new home with our Down Payment Assistance.

Bond Issuance for Affordable Housing Projects

Summer Breeze and Somerset Village Apartments: The Housing Finance Authority (HFA) is reconfiguring a new bond agreement to support the development of Summer Breeze and Somerset Village apartments. These negotiations are in progress now, as the campus updates are still needed. These projects are specifically designed to assist individuals transitioning out of homelessness by providing affordable rental housing options and supportive services.

The Oakes Apartments Rehabilitation: HFA issued bonds for the rehabilitation of The Oakes Apartments of Ponte Vedra. This \$6 million project brought the campus up to code regarding accessibility and updates. This improved the housing conditions for all current residents, including those who recently came out of homeless.

Overall, St. Johns County's efforts to reduce homelessness involve a multifaceted approach integrating partnerships, strategic investments, and innovative programs. By focusing on both immediate needs and long-term solutions, the county aims to create sustainable improvements in housing stability and reduce homelessness across the region.

#### Interim Year Data

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Revenue				
State Annual Distribution	\$3,481,667.00			
SHIP Disaster Funds				
HHRP Allocation				
Program Income	\$615,728.74			

Total Revenue: \$4,097,395.74

Expenditures/Encumbrances				
Program Funds Expended	\$1,242,325.05			
Program Funds Encumbered	\$2,480,000.00			
Total Administration Funds Expended	\$195,312.20			
Total Administration Funds Encumbered	\$145,907.20			
Homeownership Counseling	\$150,991.25			

Total Expenditures/Encumbrances: \$4,214,535.70

Set-Asides	Percentage	
65% Homeownership Requirement	\$3,722,325.05	106.91%
75% Construction / Rehabilitation	\$3,022,325.05	86.81%
30% Very Low Income Requirement	\$602,325.05	14.70%
60% Very Low + Low Income Requirements	\$2,022,325.05	49.36%
20% Special Needs Requirement	\$1,282,325.05	31.30%

LG Submitted Cor	nments:		