



MARTIN COUNTY

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Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Vacancies

The Martin County Board of County Commissioners is seeking applications from individuals interested in volunteering to serve on the **Affordable Housing Advisory Committee**. All individuals serve without compensation and are requested to submit an Application for Appointment to Martin County Administration **by Friday, March 20, 2020**. For an Application, please call Martin County Administration at 288.5756 or send email to dgordon@martin.fl.us.

Committee Powers & Duties:

Recommend specific actions or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing while protecting the ability of the property to appreciate in value. Evaluate the incentives contained in the Martin County local housing incentive plan and make recommendations for its amendment as needed to encourage or facilitate the creation or maintenance of affordable housing. Review the Martin County Local Housing Assistance Plan (SHIP) before its submission for adoption or amendment to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Review applications for SHIP funds by community-based organizations or eligible sponsors and provide recommendations for funding of these applications to the BCC. Function as the review committee set forth in the local housing assistance plan to advise and monitor the SHIP program, evaluate requests for exceptions from the regulations in accordance with the procedures set forth in the local housing assistance plan, and to hear appeals from decisions made by the SHIP program administrator.

Vacant positions:

The Committee shall consist of at least 8 but not more than 11 members who shall be appointed by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. The Committee shall consist of 1 representative from at least 6 of the following categories:

- A citizen who is actively engaged in the residential homebuilding industry in connection with affordable housing;
- A citizen who is actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing;
- A citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in homebuilding in connection with affordable housing;
- A citizen who is actively engaged as an advocate for low income persons in connection with affordable housing;
- A citizen who is actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing;

- A citizen who is actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing;
- A citizen who is actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing;
- A citizen who actively serves on the Local Planning Agency (pursuant to Section 163.3174 Fla. Stat.);
- A citizen who resides within Martin County;
- A citizen who represents employers within Martin County;
- A citizen who represents essential service personnel -- any person in need of affordable housing, who is employed by a company or organization located within Martin County, including, but not limited to, teachers and educators, police and fire personnel, health care personnel, and all building trades personnel.

These are two-year terms.

Meetings are typically held every other month at 3:30 pm at the Administrative Center, 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart. The next few meetings are scheduled for: March 4, May 6, July 1, September 2, and November 4.

Florida law prohibits an advisory board member from doing business with its agency (the County). Section 112.313(3) and (7), Fla. Stat.

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DG/ADM