

Become a Certified Community Housing Development Organization

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development awards Lee County funding for the development of affordable housing each year, and a portion of that funding is set-aside for Community Housing Development Organizations, or CHDOs, to use on eligible housing projects. This funding is awarded annually through a request for proposal process, and you may also be eligible to receive SHIP funds through the same funding cycle.

Eligible CHDO housing projects include:

- Rehabilitation of rental units
- Conversion of property into rental units
- Site development and construction of new rental units
- Site development and construction of new single-family housing units
- Acquisition, rehabilitation, and resale of single-family housing units
- Down payment assistance to eligible households, when they purchase units you have constructed or rehabilitated

To become certified, complete the checklist and return a completed packet with all of the information requested to:

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