

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Santa Rosa County has received funding approval for participation in the Florida State Housing Initiative Partnership Program (SHIP) as governed by Chapter 420.907, Florida Statutes and Florida Administrative Rule 67-37 for Fiscal Years 2007/2008, 2008/2009, and 2009/2010. The County is requesting proposals from qualified, local 501(c)(3) non-profit organization(s) interested in implementing the following SHIP activities in Santa Rosa County for the designated funding periods.

Subsidized New Construction Program Targeting Very Low- and Low-Income Families (BUDGET: \$100,000 per year)

SHIP funds will be made available to area non-profit housing agencies and/or non-profit housing developers to partially underwrite the costs of constructing affordable homes for families that cannot otherwise qualify for a mortgage through normal lending channels. These funds will enhance affordability and enable the non-profit housing sector to increase the number of affordable housing units produced for SHIP eligible homebuyers within the local area. The focus of this strategy is upon unit production primarily targeting very-low income families.

The proposal shall include: 1) non-profit agency's locally based expertise in affordable single-family housing construction and marketing; 2) amount of non-SHIP funds or value of in-kind services committed as SHIP leverage; 3) unit production goals in relation to SHIP funding request; 4) SHIP repayment terms requested (i.e. deferred payment loan); and 5) percentage of units targeted to very-low income families. Preference will be given to eligible sponsors that employ personnel from WAGES and Workforce Development Initiative Program. Provide one original and 11 copies of the submittal.

Questions concerning this project should be directed to Janice Boone with the Santa Rosa County Housing Program at (850) 981-7075.

All proposals must be in writing and delivered by hand, mail, or Fed EX to the Santa Rosa County Procurement Department, 6495 Caroline Street, Suite G, Milton, Florida 32570, and must be received by 10:00 a.m., July 15, 2008. Only proposals received by the aforesaid time and date will be considered. All proposals shall be labeled, "**RFP- SHIP Proposal.**"

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals in whole or in part, and to waive all informalities.

Santa Rosa County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicapped status in employment or provision of service.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County, Florida.

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Bill and proof to Santa Rosa County Procurement Department, 6495 Caroline Street, Milton, Florida, 32570, Attn.: Orrin L. Smith.