

## **NOTICE**

St. Johns County received \$3,413,194.00 through the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program for State Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024). The 2023-2026 St. Johns County's Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) includes assistance strategies designed to increase homeownership opportunities and preserve the housing stock. On May 7th, 2024, The St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners amended the LHAP to include a new strategy, Purchase Assistance with or without Rehabilitation. The Purchase Assistance with or without Rehabilitation program outlined below can be funded through the SHIP Program for FY 2023-2024. There is a mandatory 30-day advertising period with regards to the above referenced amended LHAP programs before St. Johns County can take applications for these programs.

All applicants are processed on a first-ready first-served basis.

Funds are available for the below housing strategy:

• PURCHASE ASSISTANCE WITH OR WITHOUT REHABILITATION- Designed to assist first time homebuyers to become homeowners by providing a loan as a second mortgage or a subordinate loan.

Additional information and reports are available at (904) 827-6890, <a href="mailto:dwinston@sjcfl.us">dwinston@sjcfl.us</a>, or <a href="http://www.co.st-johns.fl.us/Housing">http://www.co.st-johns.fl.us/Housing</a>. The SHIP contact person for St. Johns County is Dirk Winston. St. Johns County reserves the right to utilize funding based on information and needs identified within the community.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in the SHIP program or in public meetings should contact the ADA Coordinator at 904-209-0650. Deaf and/or hard-of hearing individuals may use Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD): 904-209-0650, or the Florida Relay Service: 800-955-8770. SHIP information is provided in English; the Board of County Commissioners meeting will also be conducted in English. If you require a translator, please call 904-209-0650. To request services, please notify the County at least five business days prior to need for services.

