



Goal Statement

To promote safe, sanitary and affordable housing through homeowner education, counseling, and home rehabilitation in the unincorporated areas of Leon County.

Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights

Economy

- As an approved Advisor Agency for the federally-funded, Florida Hardest Hit Foreclosure Prevention Program, Leon County government secured a Principal Reduction Loan for 28 Eligible Homeowners statewide, and financial relief for nine Leon County eligible residents, which gives them time to find new or sufficient employment, avoid foreclosure, and stay in their homes. Leon County homeowners who are unemployed, underemployed, or have reduced income may be eligible for assistance through the Unemployment Mortgage Assistance Program or the Mortgage Loan Reinstatement Program.
- Leon County rehabilitated 47 low-income residents' homes. 25 new roofs for home owners are included in the total rehabilitation work.

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HOUSING ASSISTANCE, COUNSELING & SOLUTIONS

- The Housing Services Division ensures that extremely low, very low, low and moderate income level residents of Leon County are provided with safe and sanitary housing, and to preserve the supply of affordable housing in the County. The division accomplishes these goals through programs that include: down payment assistance to first-time homebuyers, foreclosure prevention assistance, principal reduction, home rehabilitation, and home replacement.
- As an approved Advisory Agency for the federally-funded, Florida Hardest Hit Foreclosure Prevention Program, Leon County government secured financial relief for 37 eligible residents, and is finalizing eligibility and funding for additional residents. The funding residents receive provides them time to find new or sufficient employment, so they may avoid foreclosure; and lower their overall mortgage debt. These efforts also help mitigate property value loss for the entire Leon County community.
- Leon County continuously identifies opportunities to participate in federal and state programs beneficial to the community with respect to housing.
 - » More than 400 Leon County homeowners and prospective home buyers were educated on how to maintain a home and how to prevent foreclosure during each of the County's fall and spring Home Expos. During the home expos participants also learned how to access home improvement loans up to \$50,000, Foreclosure Prevention Assistance of up to \$42,000, and Principal Reduction Assistance up to \$50,000. They also learned about available down payment and closing cost



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9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service Project

- » assistance grants for first-time homebuyers and veterans, up to \$10,000.
- » Assisted in the revitalization of a Home Owner's Association (Crown Ridge Estates) which resulted in a neighborhood improvement project for low income, seniors, disabled, and Veteran Home Owners living in Crown Ridge Estates.
- » 47 Leon County residents received housing and rehabilitation services, delivering on the County's goal of safe and sanitary homes, and providing work for multiple, local contractors.