

Did you know that **Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc.** is a non-profit HUD approved **housing counseling agency**? Meaning we provide educational workshops and a full spectrum of housing counseling services.

What is Housing Counseling? Our Housing Counseling program provides counseling to consumers on seeking, financing, maintaining, renting, or owning a home. Our HUD-certified Housing Counselors are experienced, trained professionals, who can provide you with one-on-one housing counseling and guidance to help you make the right choices. The guidance you receive is based on your need, plus, your current and future financial capability.



Are you ready for Homeownership? Through the counseling sessions, the **Housing Counselor** would be able to identify your needs, calculate your income, review your credit report and financial situation, determine how much you can afford, if you are ready to apply for a mortgage loan and evaluate your options.



What if you are not ready for homeownership now? We are here to help! The **Housing Counselor** would be able to provide the guidance you need to overcome obstacles, help you establish realistic achievable goals, create an action plan and evaluate your options.



How do you get started? If you need housing counseling on seeking, financing, maintaining, renting, or owning a home, complete the **Intake Packet** with forms and required documentation listed on **the next page**. Once we receive your Intake Packet, we will be able to schedule an appointment with one of our Housing Advisors for your one-on-one counseling session.



Where to submit your Intake Packet? You can drop-off your **Intake Packet** at our administrative office located at **12751 New Brittany Blvd, Suite 100, Fort Myers, FL 33907** during regular business hours (Monday – Friday from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm). Our Intake Coordinator will review it with you to make sure that your packet is complete. You can also mail it to our administrative office.

If you have questions related to the Intake Packet and how to get started with housing counseling, please contact our **Housing Counseling Team** by calling at **239-652-1675** or by e-mail: **HousingCounseling@habitat4humanity.org**

Please make sure to submit the following forms included in your Intake Packet:



Housing Counseling Intake Form

Fill it out as accurately as possible. This is required for opening your housing counseling file.



Monthly Household Spending Plan

Fill it out as accurately as possible. It will be reviewed during the one-on-one counseling session.



Housing Counseling Disclosure Form

Please be sure to read it carefully. Then, sign to acknowledge you have read and understand the form.



Privacy Statement and Notice

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Use the following checklist to help you collect everything you need before submitting your Intake Packet (please make copies of all required documents, if applicable).

- \$35 - Credit report fee (per individual)**
 - Personal check or Money Order, we do not accept cash or card payments
 - Soft inquiry, it will not impact your credit score

- Copies of Photo IDs (Driver's License)**
 - Please provide a legible copy of your photo ID in color

- Proof of Income**
 - If employed:
 - Copies of last 3 months of paystubs
 - Copies of two most recent tax returns (tax transcripts or 1040s)
 - Copies of two most recent wage transcripts - <https://www.irs.gov/>

 - If self-employed:
 - Copies of two most recent tax returns (including 1099 forms and Schedule C)
 - Copies of two most recent wage transcripts - <https://www.irs.gov/>
 - Current year-to-date Profit & Loss Statement

 - Benefits (Social Security, Disability, Retirement), if applicable:
 - Copy of updated award letter stating the monthly benefit

 - Alimony/Child Support (if applicable):
 - Copy of court order showing amount awarded
 - Copy of case history/summary showing 12 months of payment history
 - If not court ordered, 12 months of payment history

- Bank Statements**
 - Copies of last 3 months of bank statements for **all** bank accounts

+ Other documentation may be requested during the housing counseling process

Note: If we do NOT receive a complete Intake Form along with all the required documentation and credit report fee, we will NOT be able to schedule your appointment with a Housing Counselor.

Client and Counselor Roles and Responsibilities in One-on-One Counseling

Counselor's Roles and Responsibilities



Reviewing your housing goal and your finances; which include your income, debts, assets, and credit history.



Preparing a Client Action Plan that lists the steps that you and your counselor will take to achieve your housing goal.



Preparing a household budget that will help you manage your debt, expenses, and savings.



Maintain contact with you at least every 60 days.



Your counselor is not responsible for achieving your housing goal but will provide guidance and education in support of your goal.



Neither your counselor nor Habitat for Humanity's employees, agents, or directors may provide legal advice.

Client's Roles and Responsibilities



Completing the steps assigned to you in your Client Action Plan.



Providing accurate information about your income, debts, expenses, credit, and employment.



Attending meetings, returning calls, providing requested paperwork in a timely manner.



Maintain contact with your HUD-certified housing counselor at least every 60 days. When necessary, a credit report review will be conducted (credit report fee applies).



Notifying Habitat for Humanity or your counselor when changing housing goal.



Attending educational workshop(s) as recommended.



Retaining an attorney if seeking legal advice and/or representation in matters such as foreclosure or bankruptcy protection.

Termination of Service: Failure to work cooperatively with your housing counselor and/or Habitat for Humanity will result in the discontinuation of counseling services. This includes, but is not limited to, missing three consecutive appointments, failure to provide necessary documents for workout resolution, withholding pertinent information pertaining to your case and failure to inform Habitat for Humanity of assistance received from another agency within the last year.



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FOR INTERNAL USE

Date Received: _____

CM#: _____

HC Name & ID: _____

THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR THE HABITAT HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM



HOUSING COUNSELING INTAKE FORM

Please print clearly and complete the required information as accurate as possible



WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES ARE YOU INTERESTED IN? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

- Pre-purchase Counselling
- Home Improvement and Rehabilitation Counseling
- Financial management/Budget Counseling
- Services for Homeless Counseling
- Disaster Recovery Assistance Counseling
- Rental Housing Counseling

CLIENT 1

Name: _____

Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Social Security Number

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address

City State Zip Code

Time at current address: _____

Race (please select):

- I do not wish to provide this information
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- American Indian or Alaska Native and White
- Black or African American and White
- American Indian or Alaska Native and Black or African American
- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- White
- Asian and White
- Asian
- Other Multiple Race
- Black or African American

Ethnicity (please select "yes" or "no").

Hispanic: Yes No

You should select both a "Race" category and a "yes" or "no" for Hispanic origin)

Are you a U.S. citizen or a Permanent Resident?

Yes No

Marital Status (please select):

- Single
- Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Widowed

Gender (please select):

- I do not wish to provide this information
- Male
- Female

Disabled (please select) ? Yes No

Education (please select):

- Below High School Diploma
- Two-Year College
- Masters Degree
- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Bachelors Degree
- Above Masters Degree

CLIENT 2

Name: _____

Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Social Security Number

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address

City State Zip Code

Time at current address: _____

Race (please select):

- I do not wish to provide this information
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- American Indian or Alaska Native and White
- Black or African American and White
- American Indian or Alaska Native and Black or African American
- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- White
- Asian and White
- Asian
- Other Multiple Race
- Black or African American

Ethnicity (please select "yes" or "no").

Hispanic: Yes No

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Are you a U.S. citizen or a Permanent Resident?

Yes No

Marital Status (please select):

- Single
- Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Widowed

Gender (please select):

- I do not wish to provide this information
- Male
- Female

Disabled (please select) ? Yes No

Education (please select):

- Below High School Diploma
- Two-Year College
- Masters Degree
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- Above Masters Degree

List last 2 years of employment history

EMPLOYMENT - CLIENT 1	EMPLOYMENT - CLIENT 2
<p>Current Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Is this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>	<p>Current Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Is this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>

If you have a second job, please specify:

<p>Other Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Is this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>	<p>Other Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Is this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>
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If less than 2 years at current employment:

<p>Previous Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____ to _____ Last working Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Was this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>	<p>Previous Employer: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Title _____ Hire Date (mm/dd/yy) _____ to _____ Last working Date (mm/dd/yy) _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <hr/> <p>Address _____</p> <hr/> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Please select:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time # Hours per week: _____</p> <p>Pay Rate: \$ _____</p> <p>Was this amount paid <input type="checkbox"/> Hourly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Every 2 weeks</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Bi-monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly</p>
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Continue listing previous employers on a separate sheet of paper (if needed)

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Current Housing Arrangement (please select):

- Rent Homeless Homeowner with mortgage Living with a family member and not paying rent Homeowner with a mortgage paid off

Rural Area Status (please select):

- Household lives in a rural area
 Household does not live in a rural area

Limited English Proficiency Status (please select):

- Household is Limited English Proficient
 Household is not Limited English Proficient

Are you a first Time Buyer (you do not currently own a home and have not owned a home in the past 3 years?)

- Yes No

Annual Family or Household Income : \$ _____

Household Type (please select the most accurate)?

- Head of household single parent Single adult Two or more unrelated adults
 Married with children Married without children Other, explain: _____

Family/Household Size : _____ **How many dependents?** _____

What ages are they? _____

Are there non-dependents who will be living in the home?

- Yes No *If yes, list below:*

Relationship _____ Age _____

Relationship _____ Age _____

Referred to by (please select all that apply):

- Word of Mouth Radio/TV Social Media Newspaper Article Habitat Staff/Board Member Walk-in Friend
 Bank/Lender Habitat Homeowner Family Member Agency/Government Marketing Materials (Brochure) Realtor Employer

If you were referred by a bank, which one? _____

If referred by another source not listed above, which one? _____

INCOME Please Print Clearly

Type of Income	CLIENT 1 Monthly Amount \$	CLIENT 2 Monthly Amount \$
Primary Employment		
Other Employment (if applicable)		
Self-employment Income		
Social Security		
Retirement Pension		
Alimony/Child Support		
Public Assistance		
Other Income		

Please answer the following questions:

Can you document your child support/alimony income?

- Yes No

- Yes No

If yes, how long will it continue?

If your child or a family member receives SSI, how many more years will the payments continue?

If you receive disability income, is it for a permanent disability?

- Yes No

- Yes No

LIABILITIES/DEBT**Please Print Clearly**

Please list any debts you have, including credit cards, auto loans, student loans, personal loans and child support.

Do NOT include rent or utilities.

Paid To	CLIENT 1		CLIENT 2	
	Monthly Payment \$	Current Balance	Monthly Payment \$	Current Balance
1. Auto Loan				
2. Credit Card 1				
3. Credit Card 2				
4. Credit Card 3				
5. Credit Card 4				
6. Student Loan				
7. Personal Loan				
8. Furniture Store				
9. Child Support				
10. Other				

Please use additional sheets if necessary.

Please answer the following questions:

	CLIENT 1	CLIENT 2
Do you make payments on time?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are you currently in Chapter 13 bankruptcy?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you had a Chapter 7 bankruptcy? If yes, when was it discharged? _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within the past 3 years, have you had a property foreclosed? If yes, specify the date. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

ASSETS / SAVINGS / INVESTMENTS**Please Print Clearly**

Please list the approximate value of the following:

	Current balance in \$	
	CLIENT 1	CLIENT 2
Checking account		
Savings account		
Cash		
CDs		
Securities (stocks, bonds, etc.)		
Retirement accountS (e.g. 401k or IRA)		
Other Liquid Funds		

Are you about to receive additional funds (e.g., tax refunds, property sales, etc.)? (select) Yes No

If yes, how much? \$ _____

Please complete **Spending Plan** (Attachment #1)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION (Please include)

You are required to submit the documentation listed in the *"Checklist for your One-on-One Counseling Session"*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

	CLIENT 1	CLIENT 2
<i>Have you owned a home in the last three (3) years?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Are you a Veteran/Active Military?</i> <i>if yes, which one _____</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Do you have a contract on a house at this time?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Are you currently working with a real-estate agent?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<i>Are any household members disabled?</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

AUTHORIZATION

I authorize the Housing Counselor to:

- (a) pull my/our credit report to review my/our credit file for housing counseling in connection with my pursuit to resolve my housing needs;
- (b) pull my/our credit report and review my/our credit file for informational inquiry purposes;
- (c) send me/us a copy of my/our credit report via secured email when virtual counseling services are provided; and
- (d) to share my/our personal and financial information with my lender in connection with my pursuit of a loan to purchase a home.

I/We understand that the Housing Counselor provides confidential pre-purchase & post-purchase housing counseling after which I will receive a written **action plan** consisting of recommendations for handling my credit and finances, possibly including referrals to other agencies as appropriate;

I/We understand that a housing counselor may answer questions and provide information but not give legal advice. If I/We want legal advice, I/We will be referred for appropriate assistance.

I/We understand that any intentional or negligent representation(s) of the information contained on this form may result in civil liability and/or criminal liability under the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001.

Client 1 - Signature

Date

Client 2 - Signature

Date

Monthly Household Spending Plan

Name:
Address:
E-mail:

Date:
Phone #:

A good budget is a Spending Plan that includes everything you will spend and stays within your income. If we don't budget, we lose control of our expenses, and can't even figure out where the money went.

Income	Employment	
	Overtime	
	Interest & Dividend	
	Net Rental Income	
	Bonuses	
	Commissions	
	Social Security	
	Child Support	
	Alimony	
	Retirement Pension	
	Unemployment	
	Others	
	Withholdings	
Net Income:		

Fixed Expenses	Auto Insurance	
	Auto Loan	
	Installments (Affirm, CashApp Loans, ZIP, Klarna)	
	Gasoline	
	Child Support / Alimony	
	Credit Cards Min Payments	
	Credit Collections Settlements	
	Housing Payment (Rent/Mortgage)	
	Payday Loan (CashAdvance)	
	Personal Loans	
	Student Loans	
	Medical Bills	
	Medications	
	Savings/Emergency Fund	
	IRS Payments	
	Internet	
	Cable TV	
Cell Phone		
Electricity		
Water/Sewer		
Sports		
Miscellaneous		
Discretionary Expenses	Charity	
	Dining	
	Food and Groceries	
	Gifts	
	Vacations	
	Pet Expenses	
	Child Care	
	Clothing	
	Memberships (Gym, Netflix, HULU, Disney+, etc.)	
	Laundry / Cleaning	
Entertainment		
Miscellaneous		
Total Expenses:		

Net Income:	
Total Expenses:	
Net Surplus (Deficit)	

Savings Balance:	
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Stick to your budget and track your expenses each month.

Client 1 - Signature

Client 2 - Signature

Housing Counselor Signature



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HOUSING COUNSELING PROGRAM DISCLOSURE FORM

NOTE: *If you have an impairment, disability, language barrier, or otherwise require an alternative means of completing this form or accessing information about our housing counseling program, please inform our housing counselor program staff so alternative accommodations may be arranged.*

Agency Description and Program Purpose: Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. is a nonprofit, HUD-approved comprehensive housing counseling agency. We provide education workshops and a full spectrum of housing counseling including pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention and non-delinquency post-purchase counseling. We serve all clients regardless of income, race, color, religion/creed, sex, national origin, age, family status, disability, or sexual orientation/gender identity. We administer our programs in conformity with local, state, and federal anti-discrimination laws, including the federal Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3600, et seq.).

Services Offered

Pre-purchase Counseling – One-on-one homebuyer counseling to clients seeking to achieve homeownership. Assistance is offered in developing an action plan to help homebuyers reach their home buying goal. The client must pay credit report fees as often as needed to assess creditworthiness throughout the housing counseling process.

Financial Management/Budget Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to help individuals create and manage a budget, manage household debt, and learn ways to reach financial goals.

Home Improvement and Rehabilitation Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to assist in developing an action plan to help homeowners reach their home improvement or home rehabilitation goals.

Mortgage Delinquency and Default Resolution Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to help homeowners get current on their mortgage payments, work out a payment agreement with their lender, or navigate the sale or foreclosure process.

Disaster Recovery Assistance Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to help households navigate the disaster recovery process, access recovery resources, keep their finances in order, manage their credit, develop plans to repair and maintain their home, provide guidance in understanding insurance, and avoid scams.

Rental Housing Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to help households develop budgets, determine what they can afford to pay for rent, establish eligibility for assistance, apply for rental assistance, and identify an appropriate unit. It also helps households understand tenant rights and responsibilities.

Services for Homeless Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed to help households evaluate their situation, set goals, work to attain and maintain those goals, and locate the resources needed to overcome homelessness.

Non-delinquency Post-Purchase Counseling – One-on-one counseling designed clients who are homeowners and need help in understanding escrow funds, budgeting, refinancing, home equity, home improvements, utility costs, and rights and responsibilities of homeownership.

Pre-Purchase Homebuyer Education Workshops – HUD approved 8-hour group workshop on topics that will prepare the homebuyer to make informed home purchase decisions. Topics include homebuyer readiness, managing money, understanding credit, obtaining a mortgage loan, shopping for a home, and protecting your investment.



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Financial, Budgeting and Credit Workshops – Group workshops to prepare individuals to make wise financial decisions. Topics include preparing and managing a budget, managing, and reducing debt, tips and tools for managing and saving money and preparing for future expenses.

Non-Delinquency Post-Purchase Homeowner Workshops – Group workshops on topics to prepare homeowners for the opportunities and challenges brought about by buying a new home. Topics include benefits of homeownership, money matters, maintaining your home and community involvement.

Additionally, Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. has a homebuyer program and an owner-occupied repair program for residents of Lee and Hendry Counties. You are not obligated to participate in this or other Habitat for Humanity programs and services while you are receiving housing counseling from our agency.

As a housing counseling program participant, please affirm your roles and responsibilities along with the following disclosures and initial, sign, and date the form on the following page.

Client and Counselor Roles and Responsibilities in One-on-One Counseling	
Counselor’s Roles and Responsibilities	Client’s Roles and Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reviewing your housing goal and your finances; which include your income, debts, assets, and credit history. ➤ Preparing a Client Action Plan that lists the steps that you and your counselor will take to achieve your housing goal. ➤ Preparing a household budget that will help you manage your debt, expenses, and savings. ➤ Maintain contact with you at least every 60 days. ➤ Your counselor is not responsible for achieving your housing goal but will provide guidance and education in support of your goal. ➤ Neither your counselor nor Habitat for Humanity’s employees, agents, or directors may provide legal advice. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Completing the steps assigned to you in your Client Action Plan. ➤ Providing accurate information about your income, debts, expenses, credit, and employment. ➤ Attending meetings, returning calls, providing requested paperwork in a timely manner. ➤ Maintain contact with your HUD-certified housing counselor at least every 60 days, and conducting a credit review when necessary (credit fee applies) ➤ Notifying Habitat for Humanity or your counselor when changing housing goal. ➤ Attending educational workshop(s) as recommended. ➤ Retaining an attorney if seeking legal advice and/or representation in matters such as foreclosure or bankruptcy protection.
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Agency Conduct: No Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. employee, officer, director, contractor, volunteer, or agent shall undertake any action that might result in, or create the appearance of, administering counseling operations for personal or private gain, provide preferential treatment for any person or organization, or engage in conduct that will compromise our agency’s compliance with federal regulations and our commitment to serving the best interests of our clients.



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Agency Relationships: Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc’s Counseling Program has professional affiliations with HUD, The State of Florida, Lee County, Hendry County, The City of Fort Myers, The City of Cape Coral, The City of Bonita Springs, the City of Labelle, Florida Housing Coalition, and banks including SunTrust Bank, Iberia Bank, Florida Community Bank, BB&T, FineMark, EverBank, Regions, Bank of America, and Northern Trust. As a housing counseling program participant, you are not obligated to use the products and services of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc., or our industry partners.

Alternative Services, Programs, and Products & Client Freedom of Choice: Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. has a homebuyer program. However, you are not obligated to participate in this or other Habitat for Humanity programs and services while you are receiving housing counseling from our agency. You may consider seeking alternative products and services from entities including the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), Lee County Housing Development Corporation, and USDA for first-time homebuyer loan programs. You are entitled to choose whatever real estate professionals, lenders, and lending products that best meet your needs.

Referrals and Community Resources: You will be provided a community resource list which outlines the county and regional services available to meet a variety of needs, including utilities assistance, emergency shelter, transitional housing, food banks, and legal aid assistance. This list also identifies alternative agencies that provide services, programs, or products identical to those offered by Habitat for Humanity and its exclusive partners and affiliates.

Privacy Policy and Relevant Information: I/we acknowledge that I/we received a copy of the following:

- _____ Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc’s Privacy Policy
- _____ “Know the Signs of Housing Discrimination” sheet
- _____ “For Your Protection: Get a Home Inspection” sheet
- _____ “Ten Important Questions to Ask Your Home Inspector” sheet
- _____ “Protect Your Home From Lead in Your Home” sheet

SCAN HERE:



Errors and Omissions and Disclaimer of Liability: I/we agree Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc., its employees, agents, and directors are not liable for any claims and causes of action arising from errors or omissions by such parties or related to my participation in Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc’s. counseling program, and I hereby release and waive all claims of action against Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc., and its affiliates. I have read this document, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law. If any provision of this document is unenforceable, it shall be modified to the extent necessary to make the provision valid and binding, and the remainder of this document shall remain enforceable to the full extent allowed by law.

Quality Assurance: In order to assess client satisfaction and in compliance with grant funding requirements, Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry County, Inc., or one of its partners, may contact you during or after the completion of your housing counseling service. You may be requested to complete a survey asking you to evaluate your client experience. Your survey data may be confidentially shared with Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. grantors such as HUD or one of our professional affiliates.

I/we acknowledge that I/we received, reviewed, and agree to Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc’s Housing Counseling Program Disclosures.

_____	_____	_____
Signature	Client Printed Name	Date
_____	_____	_____
Signature	Client Printed Name	Date



**Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc.
Privacy Statement and Notice**

At Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc., we are committed to keeping your information private. We recognize the importance clients, applicants, partner families, tenants, and homeowners place on the privacy and confidentiality of their information. While new technologies allow us to more efficiently serve our customers, we are committed to maintaining privacy standards that are synonymous with our established and trusted name.

When collecting, storing, and retrieving client, applicant, partner family, tenant, and homeowner data –such as tax returns, pay stubs, credit reports, employment verifications and payment history– internal controls are maintained throughout the process to ensure security and confidentiality.

We collect nonpublic personal information about you from the following sources:

- Information we receive from you on intake forms, applications or other forms;
- Information about your transactions with us, our affiliates, or others;
- Information we receive from a consumer reporting agency;
- Information we receive from you during interviews

We may disclose the following kinds of nonpublic personal information about you:

- Information we receive from you on intake forms, applications or other forms, such as name, address, social security number, income, age, assets, family size, ethnicity, and other information from the intake form/application;
- Information about your transactions with us, our affiliates, or others such as your payment history or amounts due to us;
- Information we receive from a consumer reporting agency such as your credit history;
- Information gathered from interviews with us, such as family size

Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc., employees and volunteers are subject to a written policy regarding confidentiality and access to applicant data is restricted to staff and volunteers on an as-needed basis. Information is used for lawful business purposes and is never shared with third parties without your consent, except as permitted by law. As permitted by law, we may disclose nonpublic personal information about you to the following types of third parties:

- Financial service providers, such as mortgage servicing agents or banks providing loan funding;
- Nonprofit organizations, public sector agencies or governments

We may also disclose nonpublic information about you to nonaffiliated third parties as permitted by law, in connection with our normal operating practices.

We do not disclose any nonpublic personal information about you to anyone, except as permitted by law. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations to guard your nonpublic personal information.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. Privacy Statement and Notice.

Client Signature

Date

Client Signature

Date

Print Name _____

Print Name _____

Lee County Unmet Needs Long Term Recovery Group
Release of Confidential Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

FEMA #: _____

A. _____, hereby authorizes the Lee County Unmet Needs Long Term
Client Name
Recovery Group to release to the agencies or persons designated below any information maintained by the Lee County Unmet Needs Long Term Recovery Group that is relevant for the purpose of providing assistance for my unmet needs caused by Hurricane Ian.

B. _____, hereby authorize the agencies or persons designated below to
Client Name
release to the Lee County Unmet Needs Long Term Recovery Group any information maintained by the agency or persons relevant and necessary for the purpose of providing assistance for my unmet needs caused by Hurricane Ian.

C. I further understand that the release of information does not guarantee that assistance will be provided, but that without the information my case cannot be presented to the Lee County Unmet Needs Program for consideration.

Name of Agency or Persons designated:

<input type="checkbox"/> Area Agency on Aging for SWFL	<input type="checkbox"/> Beacon of Hope – Pine Island	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Charities	<input type="checkbox"/> Center for Independent Living Gulf Coast
<input type="checkbox"/> Convoy of Hope	<input type="checkbox"/> Episcopal Diocese of SWFL	<input type="checkbox"/> F.I.S.H. of Sanibel – Captiva	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Habitat for Humanity
<input type="checkbox"/> Lee County Housing Development Corp	<input type="checkbox"/> Reach Global	<input type="checkbox"/> Salvation Army	<input type="checkbox"/> Unity in Disasters Inc
<input type="checkbox"/> World Renew Disaster Response			<input type="checkbox"/> All of Agencies listed

Signature of client (head of household)

Signature of second client

Date

Date

Witness/Date



Service Disclosure Form

Thank you for considering services with Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc. To ensure transparency and fairness in our process, we ask all clients and applicants to disclose any relationships they may have with our organization.

Please complete the following:

Client/Applicant Information

- **Full Name:** _____
- **Address:** _____
- **Phone Number:** _____
- **Email Address:** _____

Employee/Board Member Disclosure

Are you an employee, board member, or grantor of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc.?

Yes

No

Relationship Disclosure

Do you, or does anyone in your household, have a relationship with any current employees, board members, or grantors of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties, Inc.?

Yes

No

If you answered yes to any question above, please provide the following details:

1. **Name of the household member with the relationship:**

2. **Name of Employee, Board Member, or Grantor:**

3. **Nature of Relationship:** (e.g., family member, close friend, business associate)

4. **Additional Details (if applicable):**

By signing below, I confirm that the information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that failure to disclose this information may result in disqualification from services or termination of eligibility.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Reviewed by: _____