



MIAMI HOMES FOR ALL

2022 IMPACT REPORT

Dear Reader,

We all know that housing is one of our essential needs, and the lack of safe, stable, and affordable housing leads to vast economic and public health challenges. Miami is the least affordable city in the country, and one-third of our households are dangerously close to experiencing homelessness. But this is a problem with a feasible solution. We just need to commit to investing in the housing we need. To do this, we need a broad coalition working towards shared goals.

MHFA has steadily built this coalition over the last three years. In 2022, we turned advocacy into action, successfully pushing for policies that support large and small affordable housing development and tenant supports. We still have a lot to do, but this report provides a glimpse of what we can accomplish when we work together, clichéd as it might sound. I hope you'll feel encouraged and inspired by what has already been achieved on the way to solving our housing crisis.

In community,
Annie



Founded in 1985, Miami Homes For All's mission is to ensure that everyone in Miami-Dade has a safe, stable place to call home.

We aim to improve the housing ecosystem so that it produces more affordable housing, preserves that which we have, and increases marginalized residents' access to that housing. Our strategies include:

- Policy and best practices research
- Demonstrations to prove innovative concepts
- Coalition-building
- Policy advocacy
- Community engagement

“Everyone deserves a safe, stable, and affordable place to call home.”

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PREVENTING EVICTIONS

MHFA aided the equitable distribution of \$100M in County rental assistance and prevented dozens of evictions. MHFA received funding from Miami-Dade County to provide door-to-door outreach, resident engagement, rental assistance application support, and legal services. Through this generous support, MHFA and our partners impacted 32,611 residents.

MHFA helped **184 households** access rental assistance funds or other support.

Legal Services of Greater Miami served **39 households** needing rental assistance and legal support. This ensured the receipt of over **\$400,000** in rental assistance.

Miami Workers Center helped over **200 households** access rental assistance or legal services.

Sant La helped **500 households** access rental assistance or legal services.

We partnered with Axis Helps to create a resource webpage.

31,688 residents used this website to apply for assistance and access eviction prevention services.

399 residents called our helpline for housing support and services.

GREATER MIAMI HOUSING ALLIANCE

The Greater Miami Housing Alliance was launched in 2020 to implement the recommendations of the Miami-Dade Affordable Housing Framework. The GMHA has over 100 active members, including residents, service and housing providers, advocacy groups, developers, government departments, and more. Our strategy is to address our affordable housing and homelessness crisis through research, collective action, and policy advocacy.

GMHA achieved the following in 2022:

- The Miami-Dade Commission accepted the Affordable Housing Framework.
- Grew membership to 115 active members.
- Supported the creation of the County Office of Housing Advocacy and the Tenant Bill of Rights.
- Successfully advocated to double the County budget for affordable housing, totaling \$85 million, including \$20M for housing for those exiting homelessness.
- Supported an ordinance legalizing accessory dwelling units in unincorporated Miami-Dade.



PUBLIC LAND

MHFA partnered with the Public Land for Public Good coalition to stop a development on 19 acres of City-owned land that ignored Allapattah residents' needs and feedback. PLPG, the Allapattah Collaborative CDC, and residents want a transparent process, a community benefits agreement, green spaces, community spaces, and mixed-income housing development where one-fifth of units are affordable to those earning 60-100% AML. MHFA prefers not to impede development, but catalytic residential development must include affordable units.

THE 3C INITIATIVE

Powered by JPMorgan Chase, MHFA and our partners are preventing displacement by creating and preserving small-scale affordable housing in rapidly gentrifying Black neighborhoods. We will advance racial equity by providing BIPOC developers and property owners with technical assistance and funding to support this development. Finally, in coordination with neighborhood organizations, we're engaging residents early and in non-extractive ways to ensure each project is aligned with what the community expects and needs. We have initiated our first batch of 5 deals, to be followed by five more for a total of 150 units created or preserved. Lessons learned will inform recommendations for systems change that will support more small-scale projects.



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YOUTH VOICE ACTION COUNCIL



MHFA facilitates HOMY's Youth Voice Action Council, which has been working to end youth homelessness since 2017. HOMY stands for Helping Our Miami-Dade Youth. YVAC members are young adults with lived experience of housing instability. The YVAC informs our policy priorities, helps lead our advocacy initiatives, and engages other young people experiencing housing instability to change Miami-Dade.

In 2022, MHFA and the YVAC:

- Built the leadership of 5 young leaders with lived experience of housing insecurity.
- Helped 35 youth and families access to shelter or other resources.
- Hosted the HOMY Summit to end youth homelessness with 137 attendees.
- Successfully advocated for the statewide tuition waiver policy to include more homeless youth attending post-secondary schools like M-DCPS Adult Ed & Technical Schools, Florida International University, and Miami-Dade College.
- The YVAC appeared in news media multiple times throughout 2022. One of our members was published in The Miami Herald! You can read her OpEd [here](#). Roxana was one of the leaders to ensure that the State changed its tuition waiver legislation.
- Received \$50,000 from Gucci Changemakers for the YVAC's advocacy efforts.
- Developed four workshops addressing youth homelessness.
- Helped the Homeless Trust write the 2022 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project application and conducted the annual count of youth experiencing homelessness.
- Partnered with the GMHA and Miami Workers Center to advocate for the Tenant Bill of Rights.



"I am so glad to have been part of YVAC, because I was exposed to important people, information, and opportunities that not everyone can access. I was exposed to intentional actions toward change. I was part of a table where my voice mattered and was valued continuously. I was exposed to constant welcoming support. I was given a stage to shine to make history. I was never alone, no matter if I fell short. YVAC provided me with a space to choose and create something that would benefit the community I would be proud of. Resources were waiting to help bring my ideas to life. Overall, YVAC was a great experience for me. It showed me that real change is possible and will happen."

- Stephania German, 2023 YVAC Co-Facilitator

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