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**Representative Gottlieb Named to Florida Housing  
Advisory Committee to Conduct Statewide Housing  
Needs Assessment for Homeless and Special Needs  
Households**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** - The Florida Housing Finance Cooperation (Florida Housing) is preparing to conduct a state-level assessment to identify permanent rental and supportive housing needs of special populations in the state such as persons with physical impairments, mental illness or developmental disabilities; survivors of domestic violence; youth aging out of foster care; as well as homeless individuals and families, with a focus on persons with special needs and homeless individuals and families.

Florida Housing has established a state-level advisory committee to assist staff and the research partners at the Corporation for Supportive Housing to fully develop the household characteristics and housing needs to be assessed, as well as the research approach and methodology.

Florida Housing is pleased that **Representative Michael Gottlieb (D- Davie)** has agreed to serve on the advisory committee. Representative Gottlieb champions supportive housing for persons with disabilities that is fully integrated in the community. The needs assessment will be conducted throughout this year and is expected to be completed in December 2021.

“I am truly pleased to be working with FHFC as we work towards finding affordable, supportive housing for those who need it most - our most vulnerable population of those with special needs. This advisory program will search for the best long term solutions with wrap-around services and it is a privilege to be included in this endeavor,” **Representative Michael Gottlieb** said.

This research will not only focus on the need for affordable rental housing that will help the targeted individuals and families obtain housing stability, but also the need for

permanent supportive housing for some of the individuals and families.

For more information, visit Florida Housing's website at [www.floridahousing.org](http://www.floridahousing.org).

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