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Jaimie Ross to speak at Housing and Community Development Summit *~~Triennial event to discuss county's housing and neighborhood needs~~*

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- Jaimie Ross, President and CEO of the Florida Housing Coalition, will present a statewide perspective on the State's affordable housing situation at the fifth ***Housing and Community Development Summit*** presented by the Pasco County Community Development Department. The Summit brings together local experts and hosts panel discussions on topics such as homeownership, homelessness, rental housing and neighborhood redevelopment.

The Summit is being held on Monday, August 21, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., at the CARES Elfers Center at 4136 Barker Drive in New Port Richey. A complimentary lunch will be served. Please RSVP at <http://bit.ly/2fnoNQ8>

Ms. Ross facilitated the creation of the *William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act of 1992* which helped to ensure funding for Florida's housing programs. She has also served as the Affordable Housing Director of 1,000 Friends of Florida; is past Chair of the Affordable Housing Committee of the Real Property Probate & Trust Law Section of the Florida Bar; and a former Fannie Mae Foundation, James A. Johnson, Community Fellow. Nationally, Ms. Ross serves on the *Boards of Grounded Solutions Network* and the *Innovative Housing Institute*. She is also a nationally recognized expert in avoiding and overcoming the NIMBY (Not In My Backyard) syndrome.

The Florida Housing Coalition, Inc. is a nonprofit, statewide membership organization whose mission is to bring together housing advocates and resources so that all Floridians have a quality, affordable home and a suitable living environment.

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