## Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF) CLIMATE EQUITY LOANS THAT TRANSFORM LIVES





### America's First <u>Green Bank – CDFI</u>

SELF is a 501.C.3 organization established in 2010, and certified as a CDFI in 2012. Currently serving FL, GA, AL, and SC.



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Rebuild and empower underserved communities by providing access to affordable financing for sustainable property improvements, including energy efficiency; renewable energy (i.e., solar PV); climate resilience; water/sewer; health and safety; disabilities, and more.

## **SELF's MISSION**



## UNDERWRITING METHODOLOGY GREEN FINANCIAL INCLUSION

"42% of Americans Were Denied a Financial Product — Like a Credit Card or Personal Loan — in the Past Year <u>Because of Their Credit</u> <u>Score</u>" (<u>Lending Tree Survey</u>, Aug. 2022)

**KEY QUESTION:** How do we achieve <u>Environmental Resilience</u> for all when 42% of Americans cannot access traditional financing?

SELF REPLICATED AND EXPANDED GLOBAL MICROLENDING MODELS TO FILL THIS "GREEN" FINANCIAL GAP IN AMERICA, BY BUILDING <u>SELF'S PROPRIETARY UNDERWRITING</u> PROCESS (AND FINTECH PLATFORM) BASED ON THE APPLICANT(S)' <u>ABILITY</u> TO PAY, NOT CREDIT SCORES.

## LOAN PROGRAMS:



## **HOMEOWINERS**: (Green Home Loans)

Unsecured loans for repairs and upgrades to singlefamily homes and misc. residential units.





#### **LANDLORDS**: (SEER Loans)

Unsecured Energy Efficiency and Resiliency Rehab Loans for Affordable Rental & workforce housing

#### **DRVELOPERS:** (SAGE Loans)

Predevelopment and Gap Funding for Green Affordable and Workforce Housing (New Construction and Rehabs) AS A <u>MISSION-DRIVEN</u> <u>COMMUNITY LENDER, SELF</u> IS COMMITTED TO CREATING SAFE, HEALTHY, AND ENVIRONMENTALLY-RESILIENT HOUSING TO ENSURE LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH ACCESS TO FAIR AND EQUITABLE CAPITAL

## SUSTAINABLE BUILDING PRACTICES



# **OVERALL RESULTS**

\$50+ million raised; leveraging \$90 million in total \$34 million of homeimprovement projects (3,400 Households = Assisted 10,000<u>+</u> people). 74% of SELF's clients' have been low- and moderate-income (LMI), as per HUD and CDFI Guidelines

Average Default Rate is approximately  $2\pm\%$ 

Expanded throughout Florida + Alabama, Georgia, and South Carolina.

SELF has 1,200+ companies 4-state <u>Contractor Network</u> (Green Jobs)



SELF is a national leader in Climate Equity with an impressive 74% LMI penetration rate which is nearly 4x the national average for green banks (20+%)

# LAKE WORTH BEACH/UTILITY AREA



## FIRST AND SECOND QUARTER UPDATE

90-Day Ramp-Up, **Establish SELF's satellite program in LWB**. Launch and Evolve new lending programs via City/Utility staff and elected officials, recruiting <u>local contractors</u>, <u>networking</u>, and attended <u>community events</u>. <u>Please reference Quarterly Report</u>.

#### LWB Satellite Office: Primary Lending Program Activities

#### **GREEN HOME LOANS:**

Completed four (4) projects totaling \$44,158.27 for sustainable projects in Lake Worth Beach/Utility Service Area, with 50% serving Low- and Moderate-Income households.

**SEER** (Landlord loans)/SAGE (Developer loans): SELF's low-cost financing fosters affordable housing retrofits and new resilient and sustainable construction in Lake Worth Beach. Local projects (one active) include electrical upgrades and affordable housing initiatives, promoting community safety and energy efficiency.

WATER/SEWER LOANS: funds water and sewer connections, and replaces old lateral lines and lead pipes. Discussions initiated with Lake Worth Beach Water Utilities Director to enhance collaboration and address community needs.



The historic "Climate Bill", aka Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), rolled out \$27 Billion nationally, and <u>SELF has secured several</u> <u>hundred million dollars of grants and low-cost</u> <u>loan capital</u>. GGRF resources are focused on Low-Income and Disadvantaged Communities (LIDAC) and will become available in the coming months/years!





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