Why is Workforce Housing Important

Miami-Dade Affordable Housing Crisis

"The mean wage for renters in Miami-Dade is just $15 per hour, meaning many workers are getting pushed further and further away from their jobs in the urban core as luxury condos pop up across the downtown and on the beach." (Miami Herald, 2015)

My Car Owns Me

"The amount of time the average driver spends behind the wheel each year is equivalent to seven 40-hour weeks at the office...It's clear that traveling by car remains a central part of American's lives." (American Automobile Association, 2016)

Location, Location, Location

"Residents of the most walkable areas also have more employment opportunities within a short distance of home, so they not only have more job choices, they're also more likely to be able to get to work without owning a car and all the associated costs that entails." (StreetsBlogUSA, 2016)

Community Health by Design

"The average resident of a walkable neighborhood weighs 6-10 pounds less than someone who lives in a sprawling neighborhood. Cities with good public transit and access to amenities promote happiness." (Walk Score, 2017)

Housing Affordability

"This issue of workforce housing is an economically critical issue for all communities, but it is exacerbated in high-end communities where the people who do the work necessary for the community to exist can't afford to live there." (Urban Land Institute, 2017)

Pricing Out Essential Employees

"Teachers and Firefighters Priced Out of Homeownership in More Than Half of Big U.S. Cities - Paychecks for teachers, cops, and firefighters are proving inadequate, suggesting these public servants may be struggling to live in the communities they serve." (Money Magazine, 2017)

Cost of Development

"Compact development also reduces development costs through more efficient use of infrastructure, which in turn makes housing more affordable." (National Association of Home Builders, 2017)

Housing Master Plan