



March 28, 2025

Colleen Turner
Senior Manager/SHIP Administrator
Charlotte County Human Services
21500 Gibraltar Drive, Unit 1
Port Charlotte, FL 33952

Re: Stillwater Housing – Funding for Remodel
21350 Stillwater Ave, Port Charlotte, FL 33952

Dear Colleen and Board, Members,

I am writing to formally request additional County funding to complete the remodeling of Stillwater Housing. As you are aware, the County deeded the Stillwater property to CASL on October 30, 2020. Since then, CASL has taken significant steps to ensure the property is structurally sound, including replacing rotten and damaged trusses, completing an internal demolition of the entire building, and conducting thorough inspections with an architect and engineer to develop permit-ready plans.

In 2023, CASL installed a hurricane-resistant standing seam metal roof with a lifespan exceeding 30 years. This project was funded in part by a small portion of insurance proceeds, with the majority of funding provided by CASL. With the redesign plans now complete, construction is ready to commence once the necessary funding is secured.

To bridge the funding gap, CASL applied for a Continuum of Care (CoC) HUD grant on October 16, 2024, requesting \$1,020,000. However, given the current federal funding climate and the highly competitive nature of CoC grants nationwide, approval of this request is uncertain.

Attached to this request, you will find the most current sources and uses, proposed renderings, and photos of the building in its current state.

We appreciate your time and consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact Scott Eller at (941) 928-1814 or Angela Hatcher at (727) 269-3853 with any questions.

Regards,

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc.
Julian Scott Eller, CEO