, Contractor, agrees to implement the following specific affirmative action steps directed at increasing the use of Section 3 Workers and Section 3 Business Concerns within Lake County, Florida.

1. To ascertain from the grantee’s Program official the exact boundaries of the Section 3 Covered Project Area and where advantageous, seek the assistance of local officials in preparing and implementing the affirmative action plan.
2. To attempt to recruit from within the grantee’s service area, the necessary individuals to fill employment opportunities generated by Section 3 covered assistance through: local advertising media, signs placed at the proposed site for the project, and community organizations and public or private institutions operating within or serving the project area and providing preference for these opportunities in the following order:
	1. Section 3 Residents residing in the service area or neighborhood in which the Section 3 covered project is located;
	2. Participants in YouthBuild Programs, and
	3. Other Section 3 Residents
3. To maintain a list of all lower income area residents who have applied either on their own or on referral from any source, and to employ such persons, if otherwise eligible and a vacancy exists.
4. To work with the Section 3 Compliance Officer to insert the Section 3 Requirements when Section 3 compliance is triggered, and to require all bidders to submit a Section 3 Certification of Intent to Comply.
5. To ensure subcontracts which are typically let on a negotiated rather than bid basis in areas other than Section 3 covered project areas, are also let on a bid basis, whenever feasible, when let in a Section 3 covered project area.
6. To notify Section 3 Workers and Section 3 Business Concerns about economic opportunities generated by Section 3 covered assistance and to award Section 3 covered contracts, to the greatest extent feasible, to Section 3 business concerns in the following order of preference:
7. Business concerns that provided economic opportunities for Section 3 residents in the service area or neighborhood in which the Section 3 covered project is located;
8. Applicants selected to carry out YouthBuild projects;
9. Other Section 3 business concerns
10. To notify potential contractors about Section 3 requirements of this part and incorporating the Section 3 clause in all solicitations and contracts.
11. To facilitate the training and employment of Section 3 residents and the award of contracts to Section 3 business concerns undertaking activities to reach the numerical goal established by HUD.
12. To provide written notice of employment and contracting opportunities to all known Section 3 Workers and Section 3 Businesses and to post contract and job opportunities to the Opportunity Portal, and to check the Business Registry for businesses located in the project area.
13. To cooperate in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the requirements of Section 3.
14. To submit reports to the RACW and/or HUD on the results of actions taken to provide training, jobs and contracts to Section 3 residents and Section 3 business concerns.
15. To appoint an executive official of the company or agency as Equal Employment Opportunity Officer to coordinate the implementation of this Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan.
16. To maintain records, including copies of correspondence, income verification memoranda, etc., which document that all levels of the above affirmative action steps have been taken.

 **Contractor Certification**

As an officer and representative of [Name of Contractor] On behalf of the Company, I have read and fully agree to the Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan and become a party to the full implementation of this program.

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| Name and Title of the Authorized Representative (print or type) |
| Signature of Authorized Representative | Date |