



City of  
**Gainesville**

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**Harvey L. Ward Jr., Mayor**

September 19, 2024

Alachua County Housing Finance Authority  
218 SE 24th Street  
Gainesville, FL 32641

**RE: Letter of Support for Carver Gardens Redevelopment**

To The Alachua County Housing Finance Authority:

Please accept this letter as evidence of the City of Gainesville's support for Standard Communities' purchase and rehabilitation of Carver Gardens. We believe that a renovation of this scale and scope is what is necessary to give the Community residents the housing that all Americans deserve.

Further, we believe that Standard has demonstrated a commitment to working with the public sector to achieve these ends, and that this makes them the right partner to undertake a project of this magnitude.

Finally, we recognize that the purpose of this project is to provide needed improvements to an existing affordable housing development, rather than adding more affordable housing in Southeast Gainesville.

I encourage the Alachua County Housing Finance Authority to provide the requisite funding to support this project.

Sincerely,

Harvey L. Ward, Jr.  
Mayor