

## SPHA Board Update - September 22, 2018

On Thursday, September 20, Terri Lipsey Scott was sworn in as the newest member of the St. Petersburg Housing Authority (SPHA) [Board of Commissioners](#). The SPHA Board of Commissioners is tasked with developing the agency's policies and goals. Board members are unpaid volunteers, serving four year terms.

Commissioner Lipsey Scott's civic engagements have included memberships in the Junior League, Women of the Word, St. Petersburg Chapter of the Links, Inc., St. Petersburg Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., ALPHA HOUSE, SPC Women on the Way, and Colours of Culture. She has also served on local boards including the Aids Services Association of Pinellas, the St. Petersburg Branch of the NAACP, Community Alliance, Convener of St. Petersburg Together, St. Petersburg College Women on the Way, Alpha House, the Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American History Museum and the One City Chorus.

Commissioner Lipsey Scott is an alumna of Savannah State University and Eckerd College. She is a graduate of the Leadership St. Pete Class of 2008 having served as the community project co-chair and visionary. Scott is also a retired administrative officer having served the City of St. Petersburg's Office of the Mayor and City Council from 1987 – 2014. She is currently the Executive Director of the Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American History Museum.

SPHA operates under Chapter 421 of the Florida Statutes as an independent quasi-governmental entity and a political subdivision of the State of Florida. While the Mayor of St. Petersburg appoints the board members and city council approves the appointments, SPHA is not a department of the City of St. Petersburg and receives no city, county, or state funding. SPHA's income is derived from tenant rents, federal subsidies, grants, investments, and inter-agency contracts.

SPHA board meetings are open to the public and are held at 10:00 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month, except in July and December, at 2001 Gandy Blvd. North, in St. Petersburg. More information, including meeting agendas and minutes, can be found [here](#).