Quality of Long Term Care Facility Improvement Trust Fund Nursing Home Quality Projects Funded Fiscal Year 2007-2009

Arbor Village Nursing Center (2 year project 2007 – 2009)

A project to create neighborhoods with dedicated cafes complete with fully functioning kitchens. These "neighborhood kitchens" will be warm and hospitable places to have a meal. In addition, the staff wants to knock-down their traditional nursing stations in favor of common areas where staff and residents can co-exist in a more comfortable, familylike manner. And finally, this home seeks to embrace "Community Life" as an alternative to therapeutic recreation.

Brooksville Healthcare Center (2 year project 2007 – 2009)

A program called "Pathway to Fitness" utilizing activity/fitness stations located throughout a nature trail. The fitness stations are designed for ambulatory and wheelchair use. In addition to the fitness stations, a pavilion, landscaping and outdoor furniture will be installed to encourage residents to spend time outside to gain the health benefits of being outdoors.

Century Care Center (2 year project 2007 – 2009)

- Will implement a project called "Ole Mill Pond" to develop two fishing ponds utilizing the current storm water collection ponds. The local authorities have granted permission to direct storm water to another location and have given approval for the project.
- Many residents will look forward to and utilize the ponds. This adds a wonderful activity that many residents can continue to enjoy as residents.

Cypress Cove Care Center

 A project called "Bathing in Comfort" that will transform the environment in which residents shower and bath into a comfortable spa-like atmosphere.

Emerald Coast Center(2 year project 2007 – 2009)

The facility will institute a project called "Reflections of Home" to alter an institutional type dining room into a setting for social interaction. It will be divided into three sections, children's area, coffee shop area and restaurant style dining area. The facility will also remove the medical model nurses stations to create living areas and provide a front porch setting with rocking chairs and swings.

Emerald Health Care Center

A program called "Sensory Sea Life" designed to induce a feeling of calm and well being by creating a soothing room with a 150 gallon salt water tank, other water features, other sensory supplies and tropical plantings.

Florida Health Care Association

 Teaming high school students with nursing home residents to chronicle the elders place and role in history.

Haven of Our Lady of Peace

Creating two butterfly gardens in the courtyards of the facility. One in the central courtyard and the other for the residents in the secure unit. The gardens will be used to decrease anxiety, relieve pain, decrease depression and provide an area of quiet solitude.

Jupiter Care Center (2 year project 2007 – 2009)

- A two-year project called "Tropical Oasis" to change the facility from an institutional setting to a tropical paradise.
- The areas of transformation are the dining room to fine dining, updates to an activity room, furniture and fans for an outdoor patio area off the dining room and a "Pathway to Independence" outdoors that will include walking trails, extensive gardens, water falls, bird houses, feeders and baths, putting green, shuffle board and a gazebo.
- Dining and culture change training will be provided to staff.

Morton Plant Rehabilitation Center

 A facility project creating a wheelchair accessible trail with activity stations to encourage physical activities. The trail will promote physical activity and allow participation with a family member.

Palm Garden of Ocala

- A project called "Empower with Choice" to provide an enhanced bathing program to convert three existing shower rooms into spas equipped with a heated walk-in Safety Tub, padded shower chairs, murals, curtains soft music heated towels, heat lamps and robes/slippers.
- An enhanced dining program with buffet style dining and choices of when to eat, where to eat and what to eat, hydration and snack carts.
- Creation of relaxation areas for chronic pain control using lighting, bubble/waterfalls
 walls, sensory cart, computer/game system area, music system, imagery setting and
 touch therapy using lotions.

Parkway Health and Rehab Center(2 year project 2007 – 2009)

This facility will build a "Healing Garden and Walking Trail" to provide residents, family, and friends a walking trail with different areas of terrain and wheel chair accessible throughout. It will provide bird feeders, butterfly garden, colorful windmills, water fountains, gardening, water fountain and koi fish pond.

Royal Oak Nursing Center

- A "Residents Choice Program" will provide further daily activities than currently offered. These activities will include a residential diner to allow resident and families to cook together and plan meals, media room with computer station and comfortable seating for watching tv, music therapy, gardening and a fit for life trail to allow for walking and wellness stations.
- Data on various indicators will be tracked and successes will be reported on a quarterly basis.

Southern Oaks Health Care

A project called "Gardens of Hope and Reflection" with a goal of the project to bring the residents two distinct landscaped, ambulation gardens. One for cognitively impaired residents and the other for long/short term residents.

St. Catherine Labour Manor

A program called "Enhanced Neighborhood Dining" that focuses on the significance and impact of traditions and daily activities of elders that occur around the dinner table. They propose the purchase of new dining room furniture, steam tables and tableware for 4 dining rooms. Through training and coaching the facility plans to transform from a diagnostic/treatment focus to one of holistic care that puts residents first.

Tarpon Bayou Center (2 year project 2007 – 2009)

A project to provide an outdoor living and recreational space to include a dock accessed by a boardwalk with pool lift to allow access to boats for those disabled who wish to go for boat rides; the building of gazebos, a grill, seating, water misters, outdoor planters, flat screen television and electric awnings.

The Heritage of Santa Rosa

- A project call "Heritage Community Park" will create a garden requested by the residents to provide gardening, therapy, activities with fruit trees, flowers, bird feeders/baths etc.
- A gazebo will be built overlooking a pond with a bridge and the gardens.

Ybor City Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center

A project called "Outdoor Haven" will create an outdoor area that is currently unused into a tranquil garden area with walkways, plants, waterfall and pond with bridge, raised garden area and development of an animal habitat for birds and small animals.