



2014 LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE
MARCH 3-5 \* WASHINGTON, DC

Much is at stake for affordable housing in 2014. Congress continues to wrestle with three major issues with huge implications for affordable housing: federal spending; tax reform; and housing finance reform.

Though Congress recently struck a budget deal for FY 2014 and FY 2015, it still must decide how to divvy up the total funding the agreement provides among housing and the many other federal spending programs. Housing will again face stiff competition in the fight for its share.

With the big picture budget plan settled and tax revenue off the table for now as a way to temper spending cuts, Congress may look to raise tax revenue to cover the cost of rate reductions in tax reform. The high cost of the deep rate reductions both House and Senate tax committee leaders seek puts all tax programs, including tax-exempt Housing Bonds and the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, at continued risk of elimination or curtailment.

And, the progress the Senate Banking Committee is making on a bipartisan basis on housing finance reform suggests this may be the year that Congress agrees to a plan to redesign the secondary market system. But so far, even the still-evolving Senate legislation does not adequately address the need for the new system to support affordable housing and to utilize the proven HFA delivery system to finance it.

Help us achieve the best possible outcomes for affordable housing on all these critical fronts.

Together, we can

## P R O G R A M

### MONDAY, MARCH 3

7:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

**Registration & Information** 

8:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

### **NCSHA Board of Directors Meeting**

Open to HFA executive directors only

10:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

### **Executive Directors Forum**

Open to HFA executive directors only

12:30 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

### **Luncheon Meeting with Leadership Circle Affiliates**

Open to HFA executive directors and invited quests only

2:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

**General Session** 

### 5:15 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

### **Leadership Circle Reception**

Open by invitation only to NCSHA Leadership Circle members – HFA executive directors, HFA board members, and top NCSHA affiliate supporters

 $6:00\ P.M.-7:30\ P.M.$ 

**Networking Reception** 

### TUESDAY, MARCH 4

7:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

**Registration & Information** 

7:30 A.M. - 8:25 A.M.

**Continental Breakfast** 

8:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

**General Session** 

12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

### **NCSHB Board of Directors Meeting**

Open to HFA board members and executive directors only

12:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

**Reserved for Hill Meetings** 

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

**Registration & Information** 

8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

**Closing Breakfast Session** 

11:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.

**Reserved for Hill Meetings** 

### Hear from Charlie Cook, **HUD Secretary** regarded as Washington's most Shaun Donovan as he lays out the trusted voice on Administration's all things political, energizes attendees housing plans and priorities for with his encyclopedic the year ahead. knowledge, quick wit, and meaningful

### TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FREE STAKEHOLDER REGISTRATIONS

NCSHA invites and encourages HFAs to bring up to two affordable housing industry non-member stakeholders to the Legislative Conference at no charge. Eligible stakeholders include state legislators, home builders, lenders, Realtors®, nonprofit representatives, and others who partner with you to provide affordable housing.



Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons are reserved for meetings with members of Congress, but schedule meetings whenever you can.

Make your appointments now, as members' calendars fill up quickly. Be sure to tell members about the affordable housing you provide and the lives, communities, and local economies it transforms. Strengthen your case by preparing compelling state- and district-specific

information about the results you achieve with the federal housing programs you administer or utilize.



Monday, March 3 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Join NCSHA's Washington housing partners and other special invited guests for this opening reception.



## AMONG THE INVITED ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS AND FEDERAL REGULATORS

HUD, Treasury, and other Administration officials and federal regulators lay out their housing plans and priorities and speak to the opportunities and challenges they may create for HFAs and their partners.

Among the invited officials:

**Shaun Donovan,** Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Carol Galante,** Assistant Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Commissioner, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Tony Hernandez,** Administrator for Rural Housing and Community Facilities, U.S. Department of Agriculture

**Michael Stegman**, Counselor to the Treasury Secretary for Housing Finance, U.S. Department of the Treasury

Melvin Watt, Director, Federal Housing Finance Agency

# THE BIG ISSUES CONFRONTING THE HOUSING INDUSTRY AND HFAS

NCSHA industry partners join in an interactive roundtable discussion of what's ahead in the Congress and the Administration on housing finance reform, spending, and tax reform and what it all means for affordable housing and HFA programs.

Among the invited partners:

**Sheila Crowley,** President, National Low Income Housing Coalition **Colleen Fisher,** Executive Director, Council for Affordable and Rural Housing

**Gerald Howard,** President and Chief Executive Officer, National Association of Home Builders

**Alazne (Ali) Solis,** Senior Vice President, Public Policy and Corporate Affairs Executive, Enterprise Community Partners, Inc.

**Paul Weech,** Executive Vice President for Policy, Housing Partnership Network



Key congressional leaders and staff share their insights on what's likely to happen in the new Congress with implications for housing and offer their advice on what HFAs and their partners can do to protect and strengthen federal housing resources.

Among the invited members:

**The Honorable Dave Camp** (R-MI), Chair, House Ways and Means Committee

The Honorable Michael Capuano (D-MA), Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, House Financial Services Committee

**The Honorable Mike Crapo** (R-ID), Ranking Member, Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee and Member, Senate Finance Committee

**The Honorable Tom Latham** (R-IA), Chair, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, House Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Patty Murray (D-WA), Chair, Senate Budget Committee and Chair, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, Senate Appropriations Committee

**The Honorable Pat Tiberi** (R-OH), Chair, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, House Ways and Means Committee

**The Honorable Mark Warner** (D-VA), Member, Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee

**The Honorable Ron Wyden** (D-OR), Member, Senate Finance Committee, and Member, Senate Budget Committee

# REGISTRATION

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Registration must be confirmed by check, credit card, or purchase order. Registration and payment may be completed online. Make checks payable to NCSHA. Each registrant must pay in full prior to the conference. Only those who have paid in full will be admitted to conference activities, including educational sessions and special events. Early registration fees apply only when payment is postmarked by Monday, February 3.

### **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

Conference headquarters is the Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill, conveniently located at 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. NCSHA has secured a block of rooms for conference attendees at the special discount rate of \$325 per night. You must first register for the conference with NCSHA before you can make a hotel reservation in NCSHA's room block. To make a reservation in the block, you will need to provide the reservation code NCSHA provides with your registration confirmation. Please call 888-421-1442 to make your hotel reservation. To ensure availability, please call well before the Monday, February 3 cutoff date.

### **GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

Depending on arrival time, travel time to the Hyatt Regency Washington is about 15 minutes from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA), 40 minutes from Dulles International Airport (IAD), and 50 minutes from Baltimore/ Washington International (BWI) Airport. Approximate taxi service costs are: from DCA, \$22; from IAD, \$70; and from BWI, \$80. The Super Shuttle is available by calling 800-258-3826 and making an advanced reservation. Train service to Union Station from BWI is available daily via MARC and Amtrak. The hotel is accessible by Metro from DCA via the Blue, Yellow, and Red lines. Union Station Metro station is located .39 miles NE of the hotel.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellations must be received in writing. Confirmation of faxed cancellations may be required. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after Thursday, February 13 or for registrants who fail to attend the conference. "No shows" will be billed the full registration fee. A \$75 administrative fee will be deducted from all refunds granted.

### ATTIRE & CLIMATE

Business attire is appropriate for all conference sessions. In March, Washington, DC's temperatures typically range from the mid-50s during the day to the high 30s at night. Hotel temperatures may vary, so a sweater is recommended.

### SPECIAL NEEDS/DIETARY NEEDS

If you have special needs under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please explain those needs on a separate page and include it with your registration. In addition, please provide information on special dietary requirements.

### ATTENDEE LIST

Attendees who register after Wednesday, February 26 may not appear on the conference attendee list.

### ATTENDANCE POLICY

The conference is open to NCSHA members and HFA-sponsored nonmember stakeholders.

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### **Conference Headquarters**

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**Reservations:** 888-421-1442

Room Rate: \$325

(Only registered attendees may hold hotel rooms in NCSHA's block. A registration code is required to make a room reservation and will be supplied by NCSHA upon registration.)

Early Registration Deadline: Monday, February 3 Hotel Discount Cutoff Date: Monday, February 3

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