

CONFERENCE & NETWORKING

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Special points of interest:

- November Conference
- HCV Training
- Message from the President

Tropicana CONFERENCE HOTEL REGISTRATION

Hotel reservations, at the conference room rate, (\$55.00 + tax) can be obtained at the following hotel link:

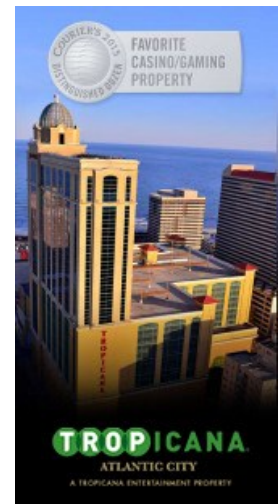
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NJNAHRO TO HOLD FALL CONFERENCE & NETWORKING IN ATLANTIC CITY-11/14-11/16

The New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials will be holding its annual fall conference at the Tropicana Hotel & Resort during the month of November. NJNAHRO started holding this annual event several years ago in order to provide an opportunity for its members to be able attend important workshops at the same time as the NJ League of Municipalities Conference. Attendees have the ability to focus on specific Housing Authority issues during their morning sessions and attend the League sessions in the afternoon. Most New Jersey local and state elected officials are in attendance at the League. As such, it is an

excellent opportunity for Housing Authority staff and Commissioners to network with their elected officials. It provides a unique opportunity to discuss local issues with the people that have the ability to effectuate change. Don't miss this opportunity to network with other Housing Authority staff/Commissioners and local officials. This conference is held during the annual League of Municipalities Conference for this specific purpose. A Housing Choice Voucher Certification Program will also be held during the conference. The agenda and registration are attached. Many New Jersey Housing Authorities have indicated that they needed an HCV certification pro-



gram for their staff. NJNAHRO responded by offering this training at a greatly reduced fee. We anticipate a large demand for the HCV training session, so it is recommended that you register early to ensure a place in the workshop.

HCV CERTIFICATION BEING OFFERED!

NJNAHRO will be offering professionally certified training on Housing Choice Voucher Income & Rent Calculation at its November conference. The workshop is being offered at a drastically reduced rate. The training will be held on November 14th through 16th, 2016 at Tropicana

Casino & Resort in Atlantic City, New Jersey. This certification program will provide participants with an understanding of the vast regulatory guidance that has formed and shaped the Housing Choice Voucher Program. It will include the nuts & bolts of eligibility, income & rent calculation.

These concepts will be mastered at this workshop. The class will equip participants with the necessary skills to reduce errors and avoid HUD findings in non-compliance audits. Register early to ensure a place in this class. The registration form is listed on Pg 2.

NOVEMBER TRAINING REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print clearly. Complete a separate form for each registrant. Form may be copied as needed.

FAX REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED - Fax to 973-377-5237. Simply fax entire page

For Room Reservations – 800-247-8767 – Use Code HNAHRO - Tropicana Casino & Resort
\$55+14% tax +\$12 Resort Fee @ night (rate only guaranteed until 10/24)

Name _____

Title _____

Agency _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Only General Registration includes sessions, meals and Entrance Fees (if registered before September 23rd) to the NJ League of Municipalities Conference

General Registration \$295 _____

One Day Registration \$175 _____

Late Registration (After October 28th) \$395 _____

Housing Choice Voucher Certification (includes breakfast & lunch) \$525 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Sorry No Refunds after November 3rd.

First 50 registrants will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 Gift Card

Make Checks payable to:

NJ/NAHRO
24 Central Avenue
Madison, NJ 0940

Monday November 14th*12:00 PM – 3:00 PM – Housing Choice Voucher Certification (Conducted by NAHRO)**

The curriculum for this 2½ day training is comprehensive, providing participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to evaluate eligibility and income and to accurately calculate rents. Tips on preparing for a RIM Review are also provided. Participants are provided with a comprehensive and up to date course book. Participants will leave the workshop with the knowledge to conduct a fully compliant HCV Certification. Participants successfully passing the exam will receive a certificate of completion.

Tuesday November 15th**8:00 AM – 9:00 AM – Breakfast****9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Housing Choice Voucher Certification****9:00 AM – 12:00 PM - Furthering Affirmative Fair Housing – How to Develop the Plan**

Where the AFFH Rubber Meets the Road: This session will focus on the concrete steps you will need to take pursuant to HUD’s Final Rule on Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing and the recently-released AFFH “templates” for block grant recipients and public housing agencies. This ½ day session will show you how to develop your Affirmative Fair Housing Plan. Brenda Edmonson, Anne Marie Uebbing and Balu Thumar will review all the necessary requirements to fulfill this new HUD requirement and show you how to develop the plan.

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Commissioners Roundtable

Meet your fellow Commissioners and discuss issues of mutual concern. There will be rotating moderators who will go from table to table every 15 minutes to present Commissioners with new and unique problems. This will encourage them to discuss their individual solutions to these problems. At the end the problems and solutions will be presented to the group for discussion.

12:00 PM Luncheon with Guest Speaker

AFTERNOON – League of Municipalities Conference - <http://www.njslom.org/99thconf/conf-schedule.html>

Wednesday November 16th**8:00 AM – 9:00 AM – Breakfast****9:00 AM – 3:00 PM – Housing Choice Voucher Certification & Exam**

Wednesday November 16th**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM - How to Conduct a Board Meeting —
Mock Board Meeting**

Meetings can be useful, productive tools, but only if conducted properly. Having a meeting that is properly laid out with an agenda and a time frame can help an organization accomplish much more in a shorter period of time. William Snyder, Louis Riccio and others will conduct a “Mock” Board of Commissioners meeting to emphasize the Do’s and don’ts.

**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Smoking Cessation in Public Housing - The
Smoke Free Rule**

Ms. Karen Blumenfeld, Director of GASP (Global Advisors Smoke Free Policy) will discuss their efforts to curtail smoking in public places. For years, GASP has served as the leading New Jersey nonprofit to provide educational resources on the benefits of smoke free parks and beaches to hundreds of municipalities and counties combined, along with a myriad of other types of tobacco control laws. The proposed Smoke-Free Rule will also be discussed. Specifically, this rule proposes that no later than 18 months from the effective date of the final rule, each PHA must implement a policy prohibiting lit tobacco products in all living units, indoor common areas in public housing, and in PHA administrative office buildings (in brief, a smoke-free policy for all public housing indoor areas). The smoke-free policy must also extend to all outdoor areas up to 25 feet from the housing and administrative office buildings. HUD proposes implementation of smoke-free public housing to improve indoor air quality in the housing, benefit the health of public housing residents and PHA staff, reduce the risk of catastrophic fires, and lower overall maintenance costs.

12:00 PM NJPHA Joint Insurance Fund Meeting

12:30 PM Luncheon & General Membership Meeting

AFTERNOON – League of Municipalities Conference



Message From Your President

Welcome to the latest edition of your NJNAHRO Newsletter which focuses on our Fall Professional Training & Networking Session. The conference is being held this November in conjunction with the NJ League of Municipalities Conference. It is our hope that many Commissioners, Executive Directors & Staff will take advantage of the informative sessions that we are offering. We are focusing on the “hot topics” affecting our operations at this time. You will also be presented with an opportunity to network with the movers and shakers of the various municipalities and state legislature who will be attending the NJ League Conference this year. Remember that EARLY registration to our NJNAHRO event will include a general registration to the League. Please see the registration form for details.



Joseph M. Billy-NJNAHRO

We are also very pleased to offer a comprehensive Housing Choice Voucher Certification Program at our conference. We have partnered with National NAHRO to provide this vital training at a greatly reduced cost to our membership. This is your opportunity to get trained and certified in this major field of expertise to enhance your professional status and that of your agency.

On behalf of the Executive Board of NJNAHRO I hope many of you will take advantage of this excellent training and networking opportunity. See you all in November !!

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH M. BILLY, JR.
President
NJNAHRO



New Jersey General Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto was honored as NJNAHRO's Legislator of the year.



Attendees enjoy their luncheon at the Joint NJNAHRO/MARC NAHRO conference held in April.

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*Providing Affordable Housing to New
Jersey Residents*



The New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NJNAHRO) is the premier housing advocacy organization representing New Jersey Housing and Redevelopment Authorities. NJNAHRO represents more than 90 housing agencies in New Jersey. Its membership provides housing assistance to nearly 110,000 low and moderate income families throughout the state. The chapter reinforces its members' goal of ensuring that every New Jerseyite have a decent, safe and sanitary unit. It provides professional development opportunities for its members in an effort to ensure that all members' public dollars are expended in an economical and efficient manner. The Chapter is committed to working with all groups of similar interest in the exchange of knowledge and experience to make New Jersey a better state.



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