The New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials will be holding its annual fall conference at the Tropicana Atlantic City 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 to 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 the conference sessions and attend the League sessions at your convenience via shuttles from the hotel. Most New Jersey local and state elected officials are in attendance at the New Jersey League of Municipalities conference. 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 leadership workshop will be held during the conference. The agenda and registration are attached. Many New Jersey Housing Authorities have indicated that they needed sessions geared towards Commissioners, Executive Directors & staff. NJNAHRO responded by offering a diversified agenda at a greatly reduced fee. We anticipate a large demand for the state mandated training course, so it is recommended that you register early to ensure a place in the workshop. We have expanded out agenda due to the outstanding response we received in 2018.

Our conference this year will include a session on the history of public housing. It is our goal to help educate members of our industry about what started in the 1930s and culminated in the housing problems that our nation faces today. A chronological history of the important events and laws that helped shape subsidized housing policy will be explored via short lectures and videos. The history will include the slum clearance of the 1933 Housing Recovery Act, the establishment of the Public Housing Program in 1937, the goal of a “decent home & suitable living environment for every American Family,” Urban Renewal of the 1950s, the Brooke Amendment in 1965, the Community Development Act of 1974, the Quality Housing & Work Responsibility Act of 1998, up to the RAD Program and everything in between will be addressed at this session. It is our goal to provide a better understanding of how we arrived at our current state and what we can do to avoid making the same mistakes in the future.
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 HNAHRN19 - Tropicana Atlantic City
$117+ applicable tax & $5 Occupancy per night (rate only guaranteed until 10/22)

Name _____________________________________________________________________________

Title _________________________________________________________________________________

Agency ______________________________________________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________________

City ________________________________________ State___________ Zip_________

Daytime Phone ___________________ Fax ___________________ E-Mail ___________________

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

General Registration (NJNAHRO Member) $325 ____

General Registration (Non-Member) $525 ____

One Day Registration $275 ____

Late Registration (After November 8th) $425 ____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED $ ___________

Sorry No Refunds after November 8th.

Make Checks payable to:
NJ/NAHRO
24 Central Avenue
Madison, NJ 0940
2019 NJNAHRO ANNUAL FALL TRAINING CONFERENCE AGENDA

Monday, November 18, 2019

3:30 PM–4:30 PM  Early Registration – Havana Registration Area

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

8:00 AM-9:00 AM  Registration -Havana Registration Area

9:00 AM-4:00 PM  RUTGERS – ETHICS– Samba Room
This training is part of the mandatory training program for Commissioners & Executive Directors. The course is available to the first 25 registrants. A separate registration with Rutgers is required for this course.

12:00 PM-1:00 PM  Lunch – Mambo 3 & 4

12:00 PM-1:00 PM  Registration - Havana Registration Area

2:30 PM-4:00 PM  Registration - Havana Registration Area

1:00 PM-3:00 PM  The History & Future of Government Subsidized Housing - Bongo
William F. Snyder, Louis Riccio, Victor Cirilo, Eric Chubenko
Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” This session will provide a chronological history of the events, laws and public discourse that helped shape our nation’s subsidized housing policy from 1930 to the present. The panelists will each focus on different areas in order to provide a understanding of the important historical events have led us to our current circumstances (Short videos will be utilized).

1:00 PM-3:00 PM  OPRA/Open Public Meetings Act - Tango
Information on the Open Public Records Act & Open Public Meetings Act will be disseminated at this session. What documents are considered public information? What process should be followed when a an OPRA request is made? Can you charge for OPRA requests? What does the Open Public Meetings Act require? When can you conduct a closed meeting session? Do you need to keep meeting meeting minutes and what should the minutes look like?

3:00 PM-4:00 PM  NJ Public Housing Joint Insurance Fund - Tambora
NJPHAJIF Board of Trustees Meeting

5:00 PM-7:00 PM  Reception-OLON  (TICKETS REQUIRED!!)
Come and enjoy some food & drink while networking with your peers.
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Wednesday, November 20, 2019

8:00 AM-9:00 AM Registration - Havana Registration Area

8:00 AM-9:00 AM Continental Breakfast - Bossa Nova

9:00 AM-11:30 AM Adoption & Implementation of PHA Policies - Bongo Room
(Admin. Plan, ACOP, Procurement, Personnel, No Smoking, Pet, Etc.)
William Snyder, Louis Riccio, Dorothy Carty Daniel
This session provides detail information on Board of Commissioner & Staff responsibilities in the adoption and implementation of PHA policies. Specific policies will be reviewed for discussion purposes. Who is responsibility for hiring, termination, contracting, eviction, facility management, maintenance, tenant services? What constitutes interference by a Commissioner? What can a Commissioner do if the Executive Director is not getting the job done? How should the board and Executive Director interface to form a trusting relationship? The role of the Executive Director and Board of Commissioners will be discussed at this session.

9:00 AM-11:30 AM Public Housing Preservation/Post RAD Conversion - Tambora
Sheila Jones, RAD Transaction Manager, Joseph Billy, Executive Director
Are you interested in joining the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD), using the Section 18 Demolition/Disposition program, removing your Declaration of Trust, participating in a streamlined voluntary conversion process, or continuing in public housing? This workshop will provide overviews of the options available to PHAs of all sizes and discuss HUD’s plans for the future. The session will also go over important information of post RAD conversion.

11:30 AM-12:00 PM NJNAHRO Meeting - Mambo

12:00 PM-1:15 PM Buffet Luncheon - Mambo

1:30 PM-4:00 PM League of Municipalities

Thursday, November 21, 2019

9:00 AM-10:30 AM Breakfast and Closing Session - Mambo 3 & 4

11:00 AM-4:00 PM League of Municipalities
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 all Commissioners, Executive Directors & Staff will take advantage of the informative sessions that we are offering. You are also presented with an opportunity to network with the major decision makers affecting policy at the local and state level. NJNAHRO will be making 50 League of Municipalities badges available for those wishing to attend sessions or the showroom. Please see the registration form for details.

Our agenda is focused on the major “hot topics” affecting housing operations at this time. We are pleased to offer a diversified set of topics ranging from very special look back at the history of the public housing industry, the future of public housing development, the policies affecting it, and the latest transparency required under the Open Public Records Act. As always, we have included a New Jersey state mandated training course (Ethics).

I hope that you take advantage of these excellent training opportunities. During these days of tight budgetary constraints, we continue to offer our membership greatly reduced pricing, so make sure that you plan in advance and get your budgetary approvals. This is your opportunity to be informed on the latest in housing and economic development extended by some of the top passionate and experienced professionals.

On behalf of the NJNAHRO Executive Board, see you all in November and I hope that you enjoy the rest of the summer months as we implement our preventive maintenance plans for the fall season.

With best regards,

Victor Cirilo
NJNAHRO President

Assembly Speaker Named NJNAHRO Affordable Housing Advocate for 2019

NJNAHRO annually honors those individuals that support and advocate for affordable housing within the State of New Jersey. The Speaker of the N.J. General Assembly, Craig J. Coughlin, received the 2019 award. The award was presented to Mr. Coughlin at the NJNAHRO Annual Conference & Trade show held at the Hard Rock Hotel Casino in Atlantic City on May 6th to 9th, 2019. NJNAHRO congratulates Craig J. Coughlin on his efforts and support in advancing New Jersey’s affordable housing goals.
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.