

NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION 2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA

June 17-20, 2009

**Marriott Plaza Hotel – 555 South Alamo Street
San Antonio, Texas**

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TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009

NCDA's President, Steve Gartrell (Newton, MA), extends an invitation to members, particularly new members, to meet in the lobby of the hotel at 6:00 pm for dinner (on your own, of course).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2009

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **NCDA Conference Registration and Information**

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. **Conference Welcome**

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. **Plenary Session: The Federal Home Loan Bank System**
FHLBanks administer a variety of programs designed to increase the availability of affordable housing and decrease the cost of community development. Since 1990, the FHLBanks have provided more than \$3 billion in grants for low income housing projects through their Affordable Housing Program (AHP) and more than \$50 billion in low-interest loans for community development initiatives through their Community Investment Program (CIP). In addition, FHLBanks are now permitted to use their AAA rating to credit enhance a variety of tax-exempt bonds. Greg Hettrick, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas' Director of Community Investment will lead a panel of AHP and CIP users who will highlight the use of these programs on specific projects. Come learn how your FHLBank can become a new source of development assistance.

Moderator: Cardell Cooper, Executive Director, NCDA

Speaker:

Greg Hettrick, Director of Community Investment, Federal Home Loan Bank, Dallas, Texas

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Plenary Session: IDIS System Update

HUD staff will update conference participants on the progress of the re-engineered IDIS system and the scheduled transfer of grantees from the “legacy” system to the newly re-engineered system.

Moderator: Steve Gartrell, NCDA President, Newton, MA

Speaker:

Robert (Bob) Brever, Director, Systems Development and Evaluation Division, Office of Technical Assistance and Management, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch (on your own)

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Training Workshop A: Neighborhood Stabilization Program

This workshop will give conference participants the opportunity to hear directly from HUD on the latest guidance to implement the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). A portion of the workshop will be devoted to questions and issues from grantees (both direct and non-direct grantees) on the program.

Moderator: Cardell Cooper, Executive Director, NCDA

Panelists:

Steve Johnson, Director, Entitlement Communities Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Bob Gehret, Deputy Director, Department of Neighborhood Development, City of Boston, MA

Roslyn Phillips, Chief, Community Officer, City of Jacksonville, FL

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Training Workshop B: Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)

HUD staff will update conference participants on the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP). Participants will hear from one community on its strategy to implement the program locally.

Moderator: Steve Gartrell, NCDA President, Newton, MA

Panelists:

Michael Roanhouse, Director, Program Coordination and Analysis Division, Office of Special Needs Assistance Program, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Susan Ziff, Coordinator, Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Lelia Allen, Director, Department of Housing, City of Orlando, FL

Amy Yuhasz, Housing and Community Development, City of Newton, MA

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Subcommittee Meetings

9NCDA Professional Planning & Development Subcommittee

Conference participants will receive a progress report on the Advanced CDBG Course being developed by NCDA. The consultant hired to develop the course, Emily Nottingham, will give an outline of the course and the draft course materials produced to date.

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

NCDA Welcome Reception

8:30 p.m.

NCDA Hospitality Suite and New Member Welcome

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2009

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

NCDA Conference Registration and Information

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Plenary Session: HUD's Focus in the Coming Year

This session will focus on HUD's FY 2010 policy direction including proposed changes to CDBG and new initiatives within CPD.

Moderator: Cardell Cooper, Executive Director, NCDA

Shaun Donovan, Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and

Urban Development (invited)

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Plenary Session: New (And Not So New) Requirements for Existing Programs: CDBG, HOME, Homeless Assistance
Officials from HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development will detail new (and important old) rules for CDBG, HOME, HUD's homeless assistance programs and the HOPWA program

Moderator: Steve Gartrell, NCDA President, Newton, MA

Panelists:

Stan Gimont, Director, Office of Block Grant Assistance,
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Virginia Sardone, Deputy Director, Office of Affordable Housing
Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Michael Roanhouse, Director, Program Coordination and Analysis
Division, Office of Special Needs Assistance Program, U.S.
Department of Housing and Urban Development

12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**

12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. **NCDA Board of Directors Luncheon Meeting**

1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Session A:

Concurrent Sessions

Using Job Retention as an Economic Development Tool

The session will focus on strategies and incentives for retaining
jobs locally, including jobs for low- and moderate-income persons.

Moderator: Scott Stevenson, CDBG Manager, Los Angeles,
County, CA

Panelists

Karin Richmond, Principal, Intelligent. Incentives., Austin, TX

Adrian Perez, Economic Development Manager, City of San
Antonio, TX

Session B:**Disaster Programs: Lessons Learned**

This session will focus on lessons learned from working with and studying HUD CDBG Disaster programs in North Dakota, Louisiana, Mississippi, Iowa and Texas. Hear what has been tried in the past, what has worked and what should never be tried again. Both presenters have assisted in over \$14 billion in federal disaster assistance. Find out how to prepare your community to react more quickly after a disaster to assure efficient and effective community rebuilding.

Moderator: Rita Pribyl, Senior Manager, Community and Economic Development, City of Davenport, IA

Presenters

Suzie Elkins, CEO, Suzie Elkins Community Development LLC, Baton Rouge, LA

Michael Spletto, Director of HUD Programs, Camp Dresser and McKhee, Inc. (CDM), Baton Rouge, LA

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Sessions A and B repeated

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

NCDA Regional Caucus Meetings

NCDA's regions will have the opportunity to caucus to discuss regional business matters.

New England Region
Southeast-Caribbean Region
Southwest Region

6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Evening on your own

10:00 p.m.

Hospitality Suite**FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2009**

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Conference Registration and Information

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions**Session A:****Consolidated Plan Best Practices**

Find out about the consolidated plan best practices taking place in Texas. Learn new tools and techniques for developing and implementing your consolidated plan.

Moderator: Nancy Mikeska, CDBG Coordinator, City of Conroe, TX

Presenters

John T. Maldonado, CPD Director, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, San Antonio Field Office

Frankie Atwater, Community Development Manager, City of Moline, IL

Session B:

Successful Rehabilitation Programs

Hear what it takes to run a successful housing rehabilitation program from three community development professionals.

Moderator: Barbara Ross, Community Development Administrator, City of Denton, TX

Panelists

Bonnie Moore, Community Development Director, City of Shreveport, LA

Al Faella, Economic Development Director, Union County, New Jersey

Richard Collins, Neighborhood Renewal Manager, City of San Antonio, TX

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Sessions A and B repeated

11:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

John A. Sasso Awards Luncheon and Special Tribute to Dick Wright

Winners of the 2009 John A. Sasso Community Development Week Award will be recognized for their outstanding efforts. In addition, the Association will honor Richard “Dick” Wright with a special tribute.

Emcee: Cardell Cooper, Executive Director, NCDA

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Local Projects Tour

Join staff from the City of San Antonio as they conduct a tour of local affordable and community and economic development projects. Please sign up at the registration desk for the tour. Space is limited.

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

NCDA Conference Closing Reception

10:00 p.m.

Hospitality Suite

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **NCDA Annual Business Meeting/Closing Buffet Breakfast**