

NCDA REGION V CONFERENCE AGENDA

MARCH 25 - 28, 2000

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

1:00 - 5:00 P.M. REGISTRATION

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

Join us for a tour of Rockford's Economic Development and Housing projects. The tour will take you through Park Place – our affordable housing subdivision and to West Street Shopsteads' Phase IV and V. Please pre-register for this tour.

2:30 - 5:00 P.M. CDBG NUTS & BOLTS

This session is designed for the new staff member with little knowledge of CDBG. HUD staff and attendees will lead an invigorating roundtable discussion of basic components of the CDBG Program – national objectives, eligibility, etc.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

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

2:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. HOME

Community Development Training Institute (CDTI) is developing a new course on using outcome measures to evaluate HOME investments – to assess sub-recipient performance; to measure neighborhood revitalization impact; to track progress in family self-sufficiency. CDTI is seeking your input in developing the training course and written materials. Come prepared to provide your feedback.

2:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M. CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Come join HUD staff, Community Builders, and local non-for-profits to learn how to make your Consolidated Plan a working document. This session will focus on obtaining involvement from all areas of the community – neighborhood groups, CDCs, CHDOs, citizens, and local leaders.

6:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. RECEPTION

MONDAY, MARCH 27

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. REGISTRATION

8:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. HOME TRAINING (NCDA/HUD)

This training course will provide an overview of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. New HOME administrators with limited knowledge of the program regulations as well as experienced HOME administrators who need a “refresher” of the program are encouraged to attend. Two experienced trainers will review key program rules and will focus on owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, home buyer activities, rental housing activities, tenant-based rental assistance, and PJ monitoring responsibilities. This training course will be held on Monday and a half day on Tuesday.

8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. PLENARY SESSION: HUD UPDATE/WASHINGTON REPORT

This is your opportunity to hear the latest information on pending legislation, program and policy changes from Chandra Western, Executive Director of NCDA. HUD officials will also have an opportunity to discuss lead-based paint regulations, NAHA, and other hot topics. Make sure you are informed.

10:30 A.M. - NOON CONCURRENT SESSIONS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

This session will explore how to develop and maintain affordable housing in your community. How do you handle NIMBY, fear, and the misconceptions surrounding affordable housing?

Moderator: Jeff Meyers, City of Rock Falls
Panelists: Brian Gillen, HUD
 Kerry Knodle, Executive Director, Comprehensive Community Solutions
 Joshua Peckens, Bank One

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT

This session will explore the recent changes in CRA and how these changes may affect affordable housing and economic development programs in your community.

Moderator: Michael Frias, FDIC
Panelists: Paul Stahr, National City Bank
 HUD official

NOON - 1:30 P.M. LUNCHEON

**LUNCHEON SPEAKER: THE HONORABLE CHARLES E. BOX
MAYOR OF ROCKFORD**

1:45 P.M. - 3:15 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

This session will provide invaluable information on the tools available to finance your Economic Development project.

Moderator: Rachel Freeman, HUD
Panelists: Sanders Howse, Rockford Local Development Corporation
 Federal Home Loan Bank

WELFARE-TO-WORK

Learn more about your responsibilities as CDBG administrators to assist with Welfare-to-Work reform.

Moderator: Sue Guio, Dekalb
Panelists: Granada Williams, Executive Director, Department of Human Services
 HUD official
 Dwayne Collins, City of Rockford

3:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

FAIR HOUSING

This session will provide invaluable insight into identifying impediments to fair housing and how your community can address those impediments. Not your run-of-the-mill course. Learn how to analyze HMDA data and FDIC and OCC reports to make your Analysis of Impediments a working document.

Moderator: Michael Frias, FDIC
Panelists: HUD official
Jenny Taylor, FDIC

CONTINUUM OF CARE

Is your continuum a useful document? Does it address the needs of your community? This session will explore the various methods of preparing a continuum and explain why every community needs one.

Moderator: Perry Vieti, HUD
Panelists: Dick Kunnert
Frank Weir
Janet Wattles

BUSINESS MEETING AT 5:15 P.M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

8:30 A.M. - NOON

HOME TRAINING (NCDA/HUD) CONTINUED

8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

PLENARY SESSION: PUBLIC HOUSING PARTNERSHIPS

This session will explore connecting with your local housing authority. Come learn and discuss how to forge strong, effective partnerships with your largest provider of affordable housing.

Panelists: Gary Verni-Lau, Executive Director, Rockford Public Housing Authority
Barbara Richardson, Director, Rockford Community Development Department
HUD Official

10:30 A.M. - NOON

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

This session will provide insight on how to tap one of your community's most valuable resources – faith-based organizations and churches. Come and participate in this discussion designed to build bridges between the government and faith-based community. This session will be presented in a roundtable format.

Moderator: Michael McAfee, HUD
Panelists: Brad Roos, Executive Director, Zion Development Corporation

CHDOs

Come and tell your success stories and failures in this roundtable discussion of working with Community Housing Development Organizations. The names will be changed to protect the innocent.

