

**National Community Development Association
2015 Winter Legislative and Policy Meeting
Washington, DC – Washington Marriott Georgetown
January 21-23, 2015**

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Preliminary Draft Agenda

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

8:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration

Subcommittee Meetings

The committee meetings are open to all conference participants.

9:00 am – 10:20 am Community Development Program and Policy Subcommittee

9:00 am – 10:20 am Technology Subcommittee

10:20 am – 10:30 am Break

10:30 am – 11:45 am Housing Program and Policy Subcommittee

10:30 am – 11:45 am Economic Development Program and Policy Subcommittee

11:45 am – 1:15 pm Lunch on your own (and Hill visits)

Workshops

1:15 pm – 2:45 pm HUD Environmental Review Online System (HEROS) Demonstration
HUD's Office of Environment and Energy has developed an on-line system for developing, documenting, and managing environmental reviews. It covers all levels of environmental reviews for both Part 50 and Part 58 projects and includes on-screen guidance for completing HUD environmental reviews. HUD staff will demonstrate this online system.

2:45 pm – 2:50 pm Break

2:50 pm – 4:15 pm Workshop: CDBG Admin Costs vs Activity Costs
This session will provide guidance on the allocation of staff costs for the CDBG program between program administrative costs, as related to overall program planning and CDBG grant administration, and project delivery costs, as related to implementing and carrying out specific CDBG-eligible activities.

Subcommittee Meetings

4:15 pm – 5:30 pm Planning and Professional Development Subcommittee

4:15 pm – 5:30 pm Membership Subcommittee

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 22, 2015

- 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am Plenary Session: Washington Report
Hear the latest federal budget updates and commentary from Hill staff.
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am Concurrent Sessions:
Building Energy-Efficient and Sustainable Projects
Redeveloping Blighted Areas
- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Hill visits and lunch on your own
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Plenary Session: Developing the eCon CAPER
Hear the latest on how to develop your CAPER using the eCon Planning Suite.
- 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Plenary Session: Fair Housing Update
HUD officials will provide an update on the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing final rule and the Assessment of Fair Housing Tool and their impact on grantees.
- 3:00 pm – 3:10 pm Break
- 3:10 pm – 4:30 pm Plenary Session: HUD Policy Update
Officials from HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development will provide the latest policy updates on CDBG, HOME, and HUD's homeless assistance programs.
- 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm Concurrent Sessions:
Microenterprise Development
Hear from grantees that have used CDBG funds for microenterprise development. You will learn the dos and don'ts of successful project implementation.
- Commitment, CHDO Reservation, and Expenditure Deadlines for HOME
Three grantees will present their strategies for meeting the commitment, CHDO reservation, and expenditure deadlines in the HOME program.
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Regional Caucus Meetings
- 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Conference reception

Friday, January 23, 2015

- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Registration
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am Concurrent Sessions:
Using CDBG with Other Programs
This session will explore the use of CDBG funds with other federal programs

such as Promise Zones and the Sustainable Communities Program.

OMB Impact Changes to HUD Program

This session will cover topics such as moving from FIFO to grant specific accounting, URA, and Audit A-133 changes

10:00 am – 11:00 am	<u>Roundtable Discussions</u> Underwriting CDBG and HOME projects, Section 3, Promise Zones, HEARTH Act implementation, and others TBD
11:00 am – 11:10 am	Break
11:10 am – 12:30 pm	<u>40 Years of CDBG Revisited and the Audrey Nelson Community Development Award Best Practices Projects</u>
12: 30 pm – 2:00 pm	<u>Audrey Nelson Community Development Achievement Awards Luncheon</u>
2:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Board of Directors Meeting