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## News Release

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### The 2007 National American Indian Housing Council Annual Convention to be sponsored by Fannie Mae

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) announced today that Fannie Mae would sponsor its 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention and Trade Show through a \$50,000 contribution. This makes Fannie Mae the 2007 NAIHC Turquoise Sponsor and adds to an already solidified partnership.

Paul Lumley, NAIHC Executive Director, expressed his gratitude and appreciation, “I am humbled by and deeply appreciative of Fannie Mae’s ongoing support and commitment to this organization. We at the Housing Council know Native American people across the country benefit from our services and Fannie Mae’s contribution is a testament to that fact.”

“The NAIHC has been a long-time leader in addressing critical Native American housing issues,” said Ken Bacon, EVP of Housing & Community Development at Fannie Mae. “Fannie Mae is proud to sponsor their annual convention.”

The Turquoise Sponsorship will go to fund the NAIHC Convention and Trade Show in Denver, Colorado May 21<sup>st</sup> through May 23<sup>rd</sup>. This generous contribution is in addition to the \$1 million pledge Fannie Mae made to the Housing Council over a 10-year period for its “Housing First for First Americans Capacity Development” Campaign.

The NAIHC Annual Convention and Trade Show attracts representatives and officials from the \$30 billion Indian Housing industry from all across the country. Over 800 housing industry professionals, experts, and tribal officials will convene at the Adam’s Mark Hotel Denver for this year’s convention. Slated to attend are Colorado Lieutenant Governor Barbara O’Brien, Colorado State Senator Suzanne Williams, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing Orlando J. Cabrera, Native American Rights Fund Executive Director John Echohawk, National Congress of American Indians President Joe Garcia and Colorado Indian tribal leaders.

Fannie Mae has previously worked with the Housing Council to advance Native American homeownership opportunities through various housing initiatives.

For more information about sponsoring the NAIHC Annual Convention and Trade Show please call Sharol McDade, (775) 225-0462 or visit [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net).

For more information on the NAIHC Annual Convention and Trade Show please visit [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net) or call 1(800)284-9165. Registration is \$425 (members) and \$475 (non-members). To register online please visit [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net) or call executivevents at 1(888)-625-7667.

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The National American Indian Housing Council assists tribes and tribal housing entities in reaching their self-determined goals of providing culturally relevant, decent, safe, sanitary, and quality affordable housing for Native people in Indian communities and Alaska Native villages.  
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