



# NATIVE HOUSING UPDATE

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## **NAIHC 2010 Calendar—Call for Submissions: Photos**

NAIHC is producing a 2010 calendar and would like to feature housing photos from Native communities. To submit a photo, please send high resolution photo files and contact information to Vanessa Van Pelt at [vypelt@naihc.net](mailto:vypelt@naihc.net). Submission deadline date is **Wednesday, September 16, 2009**.

## **White House “Listening Session” on Tribal Consultation**

The White House Domestic Policy Council and Office of Public Engagement will have two listening sessions on August 31, 2009, in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building Room 450, in Washington, D.C. The purpose of the sessions is to bring together tribal leaders and White House officials to engage in an informal dialogue on the process of tribal consultation. Executive Director Mellor C. Willie and Treasurer Aneva J. Yazzie will be attending the meeting on behalf of the NAIHC. For further information, call Jodi Gillette at 202-456-1414.

## **Legal Symposium – A Forum for Legal, Financial, and Regulatory Issues in Native Housing**

Join us to discuss and share information on important Native housing issues. A limited number of scholarships are available for this conference. For more information regarding scholarships, please contact Carrie Cuch at 800-284-9165 or email [ccuch@naihc.net](mailto:ccuch@naihc.net). To register call 888-625-7667 or visit [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net).

### Agenda at a Glance

December 8 Legislative Committee Meeting (1pm)  
December 9 Plenary Session & Training Sessions  
December 10 Training Sessions

Registration Fees:                      Lawyers’ Luncheon- Dec 9:  
\$225 member                              \$50 per person  
\$250 non-member

### Hotel Information:

Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino  
3667 Las Vegas Boulevard South  
[www.planethollywoodresort.com](http://www.planethollywoodresort.com)  
Guestroom rate \$129 single occupancy (does not include applicable taxes currently 9%)  
Reservations numbers: 877-244-9474 or 702-785-9455  
Cut off date: November 14, 2009

## **Legislative Conference – Washington, DC**

Let your voices be heard at NAIHC’s Legislative Conference. Save the Date—February 23-25, 2010!

### Brief Agenda

February 23 Legislative Committee Meeting (1pm)  
February 24 Plenary Session  
February 25 Capitol Hill Visits

Registration Fees:  
\$195 member  
\$245 non-member

### Hotel Information:

The Liaison Capitol Hill  
415 New Jersey Avenue, NW  
[www.affinia.com/Liaison](http://www.affinia.com/Liaison)  
Guestroom rate \$279 single/double occupancy (does not include applicable taxes currently 14.5%)  
Reservations: 866-233-4642 or [reservations@affinia.com](mailto:reservations@affinia.com)  
Cut off date: January 28, 2010

## **What is the Leadership Institute?**

The Leadership Institute is a management certification program that seeks to improve individual management skills specific to the Indian housing industry. Participants who successfully complete any of our upcoming Leadership Institute training sessions will earn 1 credit toward a specified training track. The training tracks include Housing Management, Financial Management, Occupancy Management, Housing Development, and an Elective Track. Students successfully completing 4 of the 5 training tracks receive their Professional Indian Housing Manager Certification. For more information regarding the Leadership Institute, please contact Ella Mae Horse at 800-284-9165 or email [emhorse@naihc.net](mailto:emhorse@naihc.net).

## **Upcoming 2009 Regional Indian Housing Association Meetings**

Northwest Indian Housing Association – September 23-24 – Worley, Idaho

Southern Plains Indian Housing Association – October 19 – San Antonio, Texas

Southwest Indian Housing Association – October 19 – San Antonio, Texas

United Native American Housing Association – December 7 – Las Vegas, Nevada

If you are interested in posting the dates of future Regional Indian Housing Association Meetings, please send information to Vanessa Van Pelt at [vvpelt@naihc.net](mailto:vvpelt@naihc.net).

## **Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships Indian Country Conference**

Hosted by HUD Office of Native American Programs (ONAP), on September 16-17, 2009 in Denver, Colorado. The purpose of this conference is “to bring together Faith-Based and Neighborhood Non-Profit Organizations with Tribal Organizations and Federal Agencies to forge new partnerships, better understand reservation needs, and share experiences and best practices in addressing the needs of Native American communities.”

For more information or to register, please visit <http://thecmiteam.com/events/2009FBCIICC/index.php>. The conference will take place at the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center. To reserve a room, please call 303-779-1234, or visit [techcenter.hyatt.com](http://techcenter.hyatt.com).

Exhibitor space is available at no charge. Exhibitors, please contact Rachael Massey at 972-939-9500, ext. 40, or email [Rachael@thecmiteam.com](mailto:Rachael@thecmiteam.com).

## **Appropriations Documents Available Online**

House and Senate bills and reports for USDA and HUD FY 2010 are posted at <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app10.html>.

## **Funds Offered for Native American CDFIs**

The CDFI Fund will provide capital and technical assistance grants to existing or proposed Community Development Financial Institutions that serve primarily Native American, Alaskan Native, or Native Hawaiian communities. Applications for CDFI certification are due September 16 and for the NACA program October 7. For more information, visit <http://www.cdfifund.gov>, or contact Chris James at [jamesc@cdfi.treas.gov](mailto:jamesc@cdfi.treas.gov).

## **Secretary's Opportunity and Empowerment Award**

HUD is offering the Award that honors excellence in community planning that has led to measurable benefits in terms of increased economic employment, education, or housing choice or mobility for low- and moderate-income residents. Submit entries by September 8 through the American Planning Association website at <http://www.planning.org/awards>. For more information, please contact Roberta Rewers at 312-786-6395, or email [rewers@planning.org](mailto:rewers@planning.org).

## **NAIHC Vacancy Announcement: Membership Coordinator**

NAIHC is seeking a highly qualified individual for a full-time position as Membership Coordinator. This position administers the recruitment and retention of NAIHC members and is responsible for related association services including promotions, sales, and a high level of customer interaction. In order to be considered, this individual must possess excellent verbal and written communications skills, ability to perform multi-level tasks, excellent organizational skills, and strong interpersonal skills to effectively communicate with the membership and external organizations.

**Closing Date:** September 19, 2009 or open until filled

Visit the NAIHC website ([www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net)) for full vacancy announcement. Interested applicants should submit cover letter, resume, references (3), writing samples, salary requirements and tribal affiliation (if applicable) to:

National American Indian Housing Council  
Mellor C. Willie, Executive Director  
50 F Street, NW, Suite 3300  
Washington, DC 20001  
Fax: 202-789-1754  
Email: [Mwillie@naihc.net](mailto:Mwillie@naihc.net)

## **Upcoming NAIHC Training**

Training sessions are filling up fast! To register, please call 888-625-7667 or visit [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net). Scholarships are available. Please contact Carrie Cuch at [ccuch@naihc.net](mailto:ccuch@naihc.net) or call 800-284-9165 for more information regarding scholarships.

### **LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE TRAINING**

**Registration Fee: \$499**

#### **Supervisory Management**

September 15-18 Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Instructor: Tom Yellow Wolf  
Hotel Information:  
Knickerbocker on the Lake – 1028 East Juneau Ave  
Rates: \$ 99  
Reservations: 414-276-8500  
**HOTEL DEADLINE: August 31, 2009**

#### **Admissions & Occupancy II**

*(Collections & Compliance)*  
October 6-9 Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Instructor: Kermit Mankiller  
Hotel Information:  
Andaluz – 125 2nd Street NW  
Rates: \$ 129 single / \$ 149 double  
Reservations: 505-242-9090  
**HOTEL DEADLINE: September 14, 2009**

### **TUITION FREE TRAINING**

#### **Improving Tribal Housing Maintenance Management**

October 27-29 Portland, Oregon  
Instructor: Walt Smith  
Hotel Information:  
The Paramount – 808 SW Taylor Street  
Rates: \$ 116  
Reservations: 505-223-9900  
**HOTEL DEADLINE: October 12, 2009**

#### **Methamphetamine Awareness & Abatement**

October 27-28 Anchorage, Alaska  
Instructor: Steve Juneau  
Hotel Information:  
Westmark – 720 West 5th Ave  
Rates: \$ 89  
Reservations: 800-544-0970  
**HOTEL DEADLINE: October 12, 2009**

**Note:** Hotel rates do not include applicable taxes.

**Note:** These schedules are subject to change. You are encouraged to monitor our website for the most current information available on Leadership Institute classes, Tuition Free classes, and other training opportunities from NAIHC and our national training partners

## American Recovery & Reinvestment Act Updates

### Call for Submissions—Highlight Native Housing Success Stories!

NAIHC would like share noteworthy housing-related information and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) stories. Please submit information/stories to Vanessa Van Pelt, [vvpelt@naihc.net](mailto:vvpelt@naihc.net). We will feature information/stories in upcoming issues of Native Housing Update.

### Recovery Act Reporting

Recipients of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds are required to submit quarterly reports within 10 days following the calendar quarter. The first report is due October 10, 2009 and should include all cumulative ARRA expenditures and activities (job creation, compensation, and project details) since the date of grant award. The system for ARRA reporting is [www.FederalReporting.gov](http://www.FederalReporting.gov).

**Register Now!** Visit [www.FederalReporting.gov](http://www.FederalReporting.gov).

Recipients will need the following:

1. Dun and Bradstreet number (DUNS)
2. Central Contractor Registration (CCR)
3. Valid email address

Note:

For a DUNS number, go to [www.dbn.com/us](http://www.dbn.com/us) or call 866-705-5711 (option 4). Processing time is 1-2 days. For CCR registration, go to [www.bpn.gov/ccr](http://www.bpn.gov/ccr). Processing time is 2-8 days.

### ARRA Implementation Training

The Eastern/Woodlands Office of Native American Programs (E/WONAP) is conducting an Implementation Session for ARRA recipients all day September 9<sup>th</sup>, and one-half day September 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be presentations on infrastructure, supplemental programs and funding resources, pre-development and development activities, construction, reporting requirements, and examples of Tribal development provided by HUD-ONAP, EPA, BIA, IHS, and USDA among others. All tribes and TDHEs in the E/WONAP service area are invited to attend this informative session. To reserve a room, please call the Ho-Chunk Casino Hotel & Convention Center at 800-446-5550, and ask for “Reservations.” If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Elaine Barlo or Sharon Daugherty at 800-735-3239.

### ARRA Webcast hosted by ONAP

The Office of Native American Programs held a webcast on ARRA of 2009 called “Native American Programs, June 11, 2009.” To watch the webcast, visit [http://ms.istreamplanet.com/hud/200906.asp?vid=1220\\_305\\_NoCat7](http://ms.istreamplanet.com/hud/200906.asp?vid=1220_305_NoCat7). Upcoming and archived webcasts are available at <http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/schedule/>.

### Environmental Reviews—NEPA & ARRA

ARRA recipients that conduct their own environmental reviews must submit quarterly reports on the status of National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) reviews. The system for NEPA reporting is called RAMPS and can be found on HUD’s recovery website at [www.hud.gov/recovery](http://www.hud.gov/recovery) under the “Reporting” tab. RAMPS Registration consists of HUD User Registration and Recipient User Registration. Further guidance on registration and training for use of the RAMPS system is forthcoming.