



2012 Community Development Program Managers Training Conference Agenda

Monday, March 12

7:30 am – 9:00 am

Registration/Coffee and Tea Service

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Welcome and Washington Update (Joint with Housing and Homeless Conference)

Location: DuPont Ballroom

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development (CPD) will provide an overview of CPD priorities in the coming year. COSCDA staff will provide an update on the COSCDA Advocacy Priorities for the year.

Advocacy Priorities:

Linda Thompson, Senior Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs, Council of State Community Development Agencies (COSCDA)

Speaker:

Assistant Secretary Mercedes Marquez
Community Planning and Development
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

9:00 am – 10:30 am

“Placemaking” Strategies for Economic Development: View from the Private Sector

Location: DuPont Ballroom

In a world where jobs can increasingly be located anywhere, smart communities realize the economic importance of “place” to attract investment. The communities that are increasingly attracting investment and talent include places with distinctive commercial areas, vibrant cultures and walkable communities with affordable housing – issues that COSCDA members address on a daily basis through public-private partnerships.

Joseph Molinaro, Director of the Community and Political Affairs for the National Association of Realtors will give a NAR perspective on various development strategies that are succeeding in meeting challenging market demands.

Also hear the private sector perspective on how to successfully use federal, state and local public initiatives to complete projects that satisfy market demand in low to moderate-income communities.

The session will also offer a rural perspective from the town of Ord, Nebraska on its collaborative public/private Community Development initiatives improve many sectors in Ord including the business environment, housing, arts, education, recreation, etc and have a set a recognized example for outstanding small-town community development.

10:30 am – 10:45 am

Networking Break (No Refreshments)

10:45 am - 12:00 noon

Reevaluation of Your CDBG

Location: DuPont Ballroom

What changes are your state agencies making due to recent reductions in CDBG funding? Is your program administered efficiently?

12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Lunch on your own

1:00 pm – 2:15 pm

IDIS Data Clean Up and the Consolidated Plan (Joint with Community Development Conference)

Location: DuPont Ballroom

HUD staff will provide a general review of the IDIS data clean up that they are requesting from state HOME and CDBG grantees. This is your opportunity to provide your comments and recommendations as they also discuss their proposed changes to IDIS and the Consolidated Plan.

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm

Networking Break (No refreshments)

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm

Using CDBG for Public Services

Location: DuPont Ballroom

Hear three states discuss their innovative public service projects and how they complement other CDBG projects.

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm

COSCD A Community Development Committee Meeting

Location: DuPont Ballroom

Participate in developing COSCDA policy and positions related to the Community Development Block Grant programs. All are welcome!

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Networking Reception

Location: Glover Park Ballroom

Meet and greet your colleagues attending the housing, community development, and homeless conferences.

Tuesday, March 13

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Coffee and Tea Service

8:30 am – 10:00 am

Plenary Session with the National Governors Association

(Joint with Housing and Homelessness Conference)

Location: DuPont Ballroom

Hear NGA leadership outline the new direction NGA is taking in relation to policy development, specifically as it relates to governors support of critical HUD funding and the value of these programs at the state level. Additionally, find out what the nation's governors plan to do to compensate for the reduction in

funding for the CDBG and HOME programs. Session participants will also be provided with specific ways that COSCDA members can work more closely with NGA.

10:00 am – 10:15 am

Networking Break (No refreshments)

10:15 am – 12:00 noon

Long-Term Disaster Recovery (Joint with Housing Conference)
Location: DuPont Ballroom

HUD recently announced \$400 million in long-term disaster recovery funds to states. Hear states that have received past CDBG disaster recovery funds share their experience in developing long-term disaster recovery programs. Not a recipient of this round of disaster funds? Get advice from technical assistance providers on critical components for long-term recovery efforts for your state, and how to focus on determining your needs and leveraging resources for more effective results.

12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

Joint Networking Lunch
Location: DuPont Hotel Restaurant

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Rural Infrastructure Projects
Location: DuPont Ballroom

States will share their successful infrastructure projects in rural areas. Learn about financing sources for state infrastructure projects

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Networking Break (No refreshments)

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Update from HUD Officials
Location: DuPont Ballroom

Program staff from the Office of Community Planning and Development State and Small Cities Office will provide a program update on program guidance, regulations, and the funding outlook affecting the CDBG program.

5:00 pm

Conference Adjourns