

COSCDA's 2021 Program Managers Conference – March 15-18, 2021

Monday – March 15	Tuesday – March 16	Wednesday – March 17	Thursday – March 18
10:30 a.m. Eastern; 9:30 a.m. Central; 8:30 a.m. Mountain; 7:30 a.m. Pacific			
Welcome and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HUD Senior Officials 	Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COSCDA Partner Organization Presentation • Legislative & Regulatory Update 	Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program Administration in the Pandemic & Future Implications (Managing Remote Workers, Remote Monitoring, Electronic Signatures) 	Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Outlook for 2021 Elected Official TBA Kyle Kondik (Sabato's Crystal Ball)
12:00 p.m. Eastern; 11:00 a.m. Central; 10:00 a.m. Mountain; 9:00 a.m. Pacific			
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Community Development Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternative Uses of CDBG-CV & HUD CARES Act Requirements Update 	Joint Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Housing Needs 	Homelessness Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective Uses of ESG-CV & HUD CARES Act Requirements Update 	Disaster Recovery Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant Management Systems
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Community Development Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recovery Housing and Support Act Update 	Housing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Trust Fund – Program Examples & Strategic Issues 	Homelessness Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HOWPA Program Uses for Homelessness 	Disaster Recovery Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovative Program implementation
3:00 p.m. Eastern; 2:00 p.m. Central; 1:00 p.m. Mountain; 12:00 p.m. Pacific			
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Joint Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 3 Transition & Implementation Advice 	Housing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Review for HOME/Housing Trust Fund 	Joint Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing Racial Equity Action Steps 	Disaster Recovery Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDBG-DR Closeouts

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HUD OBGA Senior Staff Session	HUD OAHP Senior Staff Session	HUD SNAPS Senior Staff Session	HUD OBGA / DR Senior Staff Session
5:30 p.m. Eastern; 4:30 p.m. Central; 3:30 p.m. Mountain; 2:30 p.m. Pacific			

Color Key Code	
Joint Sessions (All conference attendees)	Not a separate color
Community Development Sessions	
Housing Sessions	
Homelessness Sessions	
Disaster Recovery Sessions	

Monday, March 15, 2021

10:15 a.m. Eastern 9:15 a.m. Central 8:15 a.m. Mountain 7:15 a.m. Pacific	GoToWebinar Link Please click on link and enter today's webinar. <u>Day 1 – Link to be Provided</u>
10:30 a.m. Eastern 9:30 a.m. Central 8:30 a.m. Mountain 7:30 a.m. Pacific	Welcome and Opening Remarks Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Steve Hardin, COSCDA President and Community Development Director, Mississippi Development Authority ❖ HUD Senior Officials <p>Hear from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) senior officials regarding the direction of HUD policy and program actions under the new Biden Administration.</p>
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12:15 p.m. Eastern 11:15 a.m. Central 10:15 a.m. Mountain 9:15 a.m. Pacific	Community Development Session Alternative Uses of CDBG-CV & HUD CARES Act Requirements Update COSCDA members will share creative uses of CDBG-CV funds. HUD staff will provide an update regarding concerns and significant issues that states should address in managing CDBG-CV allocations. Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ HUD Staff❖ COSCDA Members
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2:00 p.m. Eastern 1:00 p.m. Central 12:00 p.m. Mountain 11:00 a.m. Pacific	Community Development Session Recovery Housing and Support Act Update

	<p>This session be a combination of an overview describing the characteristics of Recovery Housing as well as providing key elements of the Support Act funding provided by OBGA.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ HUD Staff ❖ Carrie Kronberg, ICF Inc.
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<p>3:15 p.m. Eastern 2:15 p.m. Central 1:15 p.m. Mountain 12:15 p.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Joint Session Section 3 Transition and Implementation Advice</p> <p>This session will cover transition issues and critical steps to implement the new Section 3 regulation. COSCDA has asked HUD staff to provide practical advice with concrete examples of how to meet the new requirements, particularly in rural areas.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ HUD Staff
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<p>4:30 p.m. Eastern 3:30 p.m. Central 2:30 p.m. Mountain 1:30 p.m. Pacific</p>	<p>HUD OBGA Senior Officials Session</p> <p>The Director of the Office of Block Grant Assistance will provide an update on program guidance, regulations, and the funding outlook affecting the Community Development Block Grant Program, as well as NSP and SUPPORT Act funding.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Jessie Handforth Kome, Director Office of Block Grant Assistance (OBGA) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ❖ Robert Peterson, Director, State and Small Cities Division (OBGA) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Joanie Perry-Ward, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Community Finance Division, Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

10:15 a.m. Eastern 9:15 a.m. Central 8:15 a.m. Mountain 7:15 a.m. Pacific	GoToWebinar Link Please click on link and enter today's webinar. <u>Day 2 – Link to be Provided</u>
10:30 a.m. Eastern 9:30 a.m. Central 8:30 a.m. Mountain 7:30 a.m. Pacific	Plenary Session COSCD A Partner Organization Presentation & Legislative and Regulatory Update Hear from one of COSCD A's key partners in the advocacy work to support community development, housing and homelessness programs. Also, COSCD A staff will provide an update on Congressional actions and legislation being debated on the Hill, and program changes being developed by HUD and other federal agencies. ❖ TBD ❖ Josh Shumaker, Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs, COSCD A
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12:15 p.m. Eastern 11:15 a.m. Central 10:15 a.m. Mountain 9:15 a.m. Pacific	Joint Session Emergency Housing Needs This session will provide an update on the U.S. Department of Treasury's Emergency Rental Assistance Program under the Coronavirus Relief Fund as well as HUD resources (CDBG, CDBG-CV, ESG, ESG-CV) that can provide emergency housing assistance. This session will cover key program requirements and provide an opportunity for questions and answers regarding those requirements. Presenters: ❖ HUD Staff ❖ U.S. Treasury Staff
1:30 p.m. Eastern 12:30 p.m. Central 11:30 a.m. Mountain 10:30 a.m. Pacific	Break
2:00 p.m. Eastern 1:00 p.m. Central	Housing Session Housing Trust Fund – Program Examples & Strategic Issues

<p>12:00 p.m. Mountain 11:00 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>This session will outline the Housing Trust Fund with one or two COSCDA member(s) providing examples of how the program operates in their states. This session will be an opportunity to cover strategic issues for states to consider in administering the program and promote the expanded funding that is expected in 2021.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ HUD Staff ❖ COSCDA Member(s)
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<p>3:15 p.m. Eastern 2:15 p.m. Central 1:15 p.m. Mountain 12:15 p.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Housing Session Environmental Review for HOME/Housing Trust Fund</p> <p>This session will focus on how states should coordinate the environmental review for projects funded by both HOME and Housing Trust Fund (HTF) program. HTF has different requirements than other HUD programs.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ HUD Staff
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	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Rebecca Frawley Wachtel, COSCDA Board Member and Tax Credit and HOME Program Director, Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development
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<p>10:15 a.m. Eastern 9:15 a.m. Central 8:15 a.m. Mountain 7:15 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>GoToWebinar Link</p> <p>Please click on link and enter today’s webinar. <u>Day 3 – Link to be Provided</u></p>
<p>10:30 a.m. Eastern 9:30 a.m. Central 8:30 a.m. Mountain 7:30 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Crosscutting Plenary Session Program Administration in the Pandemic and Future Implications</p> <p>This session will present information on how to manage the changing work patterns necessary in response to the pandemic but has potential benefits even after the pandemic is over. The topics to be covered include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Managing Remote Workers – Electronic Signatures and Document Filing – Remote Project Monitoring <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ TBD ❖ COSCDA Member(s)
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<p>12:15 p.m. Eastern 11:15 a.m. Central 10:15 a.m. Mountain 9:15 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Homelessness Session Effective Uses of ESG-CV & HUD CARES Act Requirements Update</p> <p>This session will have COSCDA members present effective uses of ESG-CV funds. HUD staff will also provide a brief update (10-15 minutes) regarding concerns and significant issues that states should address in managing ESG-CV allocations.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ HUD Staff ❖ COSCDA Members

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2:00 p.m. Eastern 1:00 p.m. Central 12:00 p.m. Mountain 11:00 a.m. Pacific	Homelessness Session HOPWA Program Uses for Homelessness This session will provide a brief overview of the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program. This session will be an opportunity to understand how to coordinate these resources to meet homelessness needs. COSCDA members will provide examples of how the program operates in their states. Presenters: ❖ HUD Staff ❖ COSCDA Members
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3:15 p.m. Eastern 2:15 p.m. Central 1:15 p.m. Mountain 12:15 p.m. Pacific	Joint Session Implementing Racial Equity Action Steps This session will focus on how states can implement action steps to assure racial equity occurs. This session provides next step suggestions that go beyond analysis of data that was covered in a previous COSCDA conference session. The presentation will include an example from one COSCDA member state. Presenters: ❖ HUD Staff ❖ COSCDA Member
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4:30 p.m. Eastern 3:30 p.m. Central 2:30 p.m. Mountain 1:30 p.m. Pacific	HUD SNAPS Senior Officials Session The Director of the Office of Special Needs Programs will provide an update on program guidance, regulations, and funding outlook affecting HUD’s Homelessness programs. Presenter:

	<p>❖ Norm Suchar, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p> <p>Moderator: Kathy Possinger, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development</p>
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<p>10:30 a.m. Eastern 9:30 a.m. Central 8:30 a.m. Mountain 7:30 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Plenary Session Political Outlook for 2021</p> <p>Elected officials will be asked to offer comments on community development and housing programs. This session also will offer projections on the political direction of Congress and the new Biden Administration.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ TBD ❖ Kyle Kondik (Sabato’s Crystal Ball) University of Virginia (invited)
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<p>2:00 p.m. Eastern 1:00 p.m. Central 12:00 p.m. Mountain 11:00 a.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Disaster Recovery Session Innovative Program Implementation</p> <p>This session will provide a look at some example innovative approaches to program selection, design, and implementation to spur discussion of out-of-the-box ideas that can address community development/recovery needs in ways that may not have been common in the past.</p> <p>Presenters: ❖ TBD</p>
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<p>3:15 p.m. Eastern 2:15 p.m. Central 1:15 p.m. Mountain 12:15 p.m. Pacific</p>	<p>Disaster Recovery Session CDBG-DR Closeouts</p> <p>This presentation will outline the records and processes necessary for a successful, efficient grant closeout. Successful closeout requires good planning from the very beginning of the grant management process. This discussion is intended to help grantees begin preparing now for that closeout at the end of the grant process.</p> <p>Presenters: ❖ TBD</p>
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<p>4:30 p.m. Eastern 3:30 p.m. Central 2:30 p.m. Mountain 1:30 p.m. Pacific</p>	<p>HUD OBGA / DR Senior Officials Session</p> <p>The Director of the Disaster Recovery and Special Issues Office will provide an update on program guidance, regulations, and other issues affecting HUD’s Disaster Recovery programs.</p> <p>Presenter: ❖ Tennille Smith Parker, Director, Disaster Recovery and Special Issue Division, Office of Block Grant Assistance, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p> <p>Moderator:</p>

	❖ Patrick Forbes, Executive Director, State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development
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