



Community Development - Housing - Homelessness - Disaster Recovery

Annual Training Conference

September 11-13, 2023

Annapolis, Maryland



# COSDCA Annual Training Conference

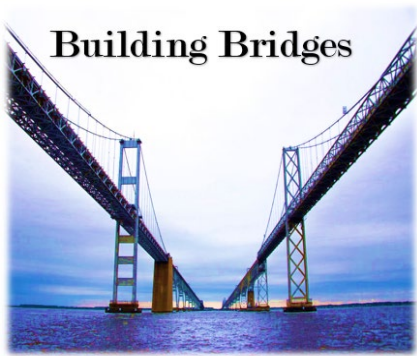
## AT-A-Glance AGENDA

### September 11-13, 2023



Sunday – September 10	Monday – September 11	Tuesday – September 12	Wednesday – September 13
	7:30 am	8:30 am	8:30 am
	<b>Regional Breakfast</b>	<b>Washington Update Briefing</b> (Josh Shumaker)	<b>COSDCA Award Winner Presentations</b>
	10:00 am	9:00 am	10:15 am
	<b>Welcome and Opening Plenary</b> Gov. Wes Moore (Invited)	<b>Plenary Session</b> Living with Rising Water	<b>Breakout Session C</b> (Four Simultaneous Sessions for Each Program Area)
	<b>Keynote Presentation</b> Andrew Jakobovics, VP, Policy Development, Enterprise Community Partners	10:15 am	
	<b>Maryland Program Presentation</b>	<b>Breakout Session A</b> (Four Simultaneous Sessions for Each Program Area)	
1:00 – 4:00 pm	Noon	11:45 am	Noon
<b>Registration Desk Open</b>	<b>Box Lunch Pick Up</b>	<b>Lunch on Your Own</b>	<b>Networking Lunch (provided)</b>
4:00 pm	12:30 pm	1:15 pm	1:15 pm
<b>COSDCA Board Meeting</b>	<b>Mobile Workshop</b> Easton, Maryland (Transportation Provided)	<b>Lightning Round</b> (Brief presentations on cross-cutting topics)	<b>Marion Mollegen McFadden, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, HUD</b>
		2:45 pm	2:00 pm
		<b>Coffee, Cake, &amp; Community Project Showcase</b>	<b>HUD Senior Staff Briefings</b>
5:30 pm		4:00 pm	3:30 pm
<b>Welcome Reception &amp; 1<sup>st</sup> Time Attendee Acknowledgement</b> (All Conference Attendees Invited)		<b>Breakout Session B</b> (Four Simultaneous Sessions for Each Program Area)	<b>Business Meeting and Closing Remarks</b>
6:30 pm	5:00 pm	5:30 pm	5:00 pm
<b>Dinner on Your Own</b>	<b>President's Reception</b> (Tidewater Inn, Easton MD)	<b>Dinner on Your Own</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>





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**Agenda**






<b>Sunday, September 10, 2023</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
1:00 - 4:00 pm	<b>Early Registration</b>	Annapolis Atrium
4:00 – 5:30 pm	<b>COSCDA Board Meeting</b> – Open to all conference attendees	Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
5:30 – 6:30 pm	<b>Welcome Reception &amp; Meet and Greet</b>  (Light refreshments provided)  All Conference attendees are invited to attend and converse with new and old colleagues in a relaxed, informal atmosphere.	Annapolis Atrium
6:30 pm	<b>Dinner on your Own</b>  We encourage you to join your colleagues to explore the many dining options available near the hotel.	

**Monday, September 11, 2023**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>	
7:30 am – noon	<b>Registration</b>	Annapolis Atrium	
7:30 – 9:45 am	<b>Regional Caucus Breakfast and Meeting (Full breakfast provided)</b> COSCDA members from the four regions will meet to discuss organizational issues and initiatives and share information about regional developments		
<b>Eastern Region Meeting Location:</b> Regatta Ballroom  <b>Facilitator:</b> Cindy Stone COSCDA Board Maryland  <b>States</b> Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont	<b>Southern Region Meeting Location:</b> Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)  <b>Facilitator:</b> Suzanne Barnard COSCDA Board Texas  <b>States</b> Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia	<b>Western Region Meeting Location:</b> Bowline Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)  <b>Facilitator:</b> Pauletta Bourne COSCDA Board Alaska  <b>States</b> Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming	<b>Midwestern Region Meeting Location:</b> Carrick Bend Meeting Room (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)  <b>Facilitator:</b> Chris Whitz COSCDA Board Michigan  <b>States</b> Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin
9:45 – 10:00 am	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>  Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	Annapolis Atrium	






<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
10:00 am - noon	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks – Keynote Speaker</b>	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Speakers</b>		
	Governor Wes Moore State of Maryland	
<b>Keynote Presentation – Connecting Housing and Community Development to the Post-COVID World</b>		
	Andrew Jakobovics, VP, Policy Development, Enterprise Community Partners	
<p>Mr. Jakobovics will provide remarks on the opportunities to convert and redevelop buildings for housing and community development uses as part of broader efforts to expand and preserve the supply of affordable homes. With the changing work and living patterns following COVID, developers are using office structures and strip malls for conversion to housing and new uses. His remarks also will point out the impact of conversions on communities and homelessness, as well as prospects for disaster recovery and mitigation given the post-pandemic economic trends.</p>		
<b>Maryland Program Presentation</b>		
	Jacob R. Day, Secretary, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development	
<b>Moderator</b>		
	Deborah Johnson, COSCDA President and Director, Office of Community Development, Maine Department of Economic and Community Development	
12:00 – 12:30 pm	<b>Box Lunch Pickup</b>  Pick up and enjoy your box lunch on the bus.	Annapolis Atrium

Time	Session	Location
12:30 - 5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Mobile Workshop – Eastern Maryland (Transportation Provided)</b></p> <p><b>Buses will depart from the Graduate Hotel at 12:30 pm</b></p> <p>Board buses to tour project locations in Eastern Maryland. These projects will include two of COSCDA’s program areas: Community Development and Housing, Homelessness, Economic Development, and Disaster Recovery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Galloway Meadows, Rental Housing Community</li> <li>• Channel Marker Mental Health and Wellness Support</li> <li>• Critchlow Adkins Day Care/Shore Up Head Start</li> <li>• The House on the Hill/Buffalo Soldiers</li> </ul>	
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	<p><b>President’s Reception /Awards Recognition</b> (Light refreshments provided)</p> <p><b>Buses will return to the Graduate Hotel at 8:30 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Tidewater Inn</b> 101 East Dover Easton, MD</p>
We will celebrate this year’s COSCDA Annual Award winners at the Tidewater Inn in Easton, Maryland.		
<b>Tuesday, September 12, 2023</b>		
8:00 am – 5:30 pm	<b>Registration - Coffee/Tea Service Provided</b>	Annapolis Atrium
8:30 – 9:00 am	<b>Washington Overview</b>	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Description:</b>	COSCDA staff will provide an update on legislative action and how COSCDA’s priorities are being addressed by Congress and the Biden administration.	
<b>Speaker</b>		<p>Josh Shumaker Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs COSCDA</p>





Time	Session	Location
9:00 – 10:00 am	<b>Plenary Session - Living with Rising Water</b>	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Description:</b>	This session will describe the impact of flooding and the on-going planning for resilience in Annapolis which is a center of government, tourism and institutions including the U.S. Naval Academy. This session will also cover how a new EPA tool provided practical guidance for Cambridge MD to strategically plan for capital projects, including potential risks to its infrastructure.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Jacqueline Guild, Esq., Deputy City Manager, City of Annapolis	Zoe Johnson, Community Planning Liaison Officer, Naval Support Activity Annapolis/United States Naval Academy	Carl “Bucky” Jackson, City Engineer, City of Cambridge, MD
	<b>Moderator</b>	
Lawrence A. White, P.E., FEMA Program Manager, Department of Public Works, City of Cambridge, MD	 Cindy Stone, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Community Development Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development	
10:00 – 10:15 am	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>  Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	Annapolis Atrium


Time	Session	Location
10:15 – 11:45 am	<b>Concurrent Breakout Sessions A</b>	
Community Development	<b>Working Together/Building Relationships with Subgrantees</b>	Regatta Ballroom
Description:	The working relationships between the state and sub-grantees/recipients is critical to the success of the CDBG Program. It is challenging for state CDBG managers to oversee all the program requirements as well as accommodate training/technical assistance/capacity needs of sub-grantees. This session will explore how states navigate that work with sub-grantees.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
<p>Duane Yoder, President, Garrett County Community Action Committee</p>	<p>Cindy Stone, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Community Development Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development</p>	
	<p><b>Facilitator</b></p> 	
<p>Andrew Hayman, CDBG Director, Kansas Department of Commerce</p>	<p>Josh Shumaker Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs COSCDA</p>	







Time	Session	Location
Housing	<b>Health Care Institutions Investing in Affordable Housing</b>	Bowline Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
Description:	Health care institutions nationwide provide coordination and services in affordable housing development. More recently, they are using their platforms as anchor institutions to invest in the development of affordable housing. This session will show how health care institutions are providing capital support. Panelists will give guidance on how to get started, discuss examples of states that have been building partnerships that connect health care investment to affordable housing, and provide a health care industry perspective on these efforts.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
	Nora Bloch, Initiative Director, Center for Community Investment	
	Tracy Kaufman, Senior Advisor/Consultant, National Council of State Housing Agencies	
	Amy Sechrist, Senior Policy Officer, Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency	
	Andy McMahon, Vice President, Impact Investments, UnitedHealth Group	
<b>Moderator</b> 	Tracy Kaufman, Senior Advisor/Consultant, National Council of State Housing Agencies	

Time	Session	Location
Homelessness	<b>Building Capacity of Rural and Small CoCs</b>	Carrick Bend Meeting Room (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)
Description:	This session will provide examples of how states are working to improve the work of housing and service providers assisting families and individuals experiencing homelessness. The nature of rural and smaller CoCs often requires a different approach than urban models. State program managers will share their experience and suggestions.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
	Danielle Meister, Director, Office of Community Services, Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development	
	Curtis Stauffer, Managing Director, Housing Contract Administration, Kentucky Housing Corporation	
	Mary Frances Kenion, Vice President, Training and Technical Assistance, National Alliance to End Homelessness	
<b>Moderator</b> 	Tricia Davis, Assistant Director, Utah Office of Homeless Services	

Time	Session	Location
Disaster Recovery	<b>How to Manage DR in Mid- to Late Recovery (including disaster tie-back strategies)</b>	Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
Description:	States often manage DR funds for multiple years after a disaster. This session will examine how states can improve the effectiveness of their efforts in the mid- to late-recovery timeframe. Presentations will describe how to demonstrate disaster impacts years after the disaster event. Also, this session will highlight interchangeability options to shift funds across disasters.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Charles L. Bearman, Director, Disaster Recovery Division, Mississippi Development Authority	Nancy Diehl, Assistant Division Director, Division of Disaster Recovery and Mitigation, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs	Jim Klingler, Chief Finance Officer, North Carolina Office of Recovery and Resiliency
<b>Moderator</b> 	Maziar Movassaghi, Chief Disaster Recovery Officer, California Department of Housing and Community Development	
11:45 am – 1:15 pm	<b>Lunch on Your Own</b>	
1:15 – 2:45 pm	<b>Plenary Session – Lightning Round</b> All Three Topics Covered in Same Plenary Session	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Topic 1</b>	<b>Public Participation – Alternative Approaches &amp; Digital Engagement</b>  Many states have initiated new approaches for public input since the start of the pandemic. These Speakers will highlight what has and has not worked using alternative technology approaches.	





<p><b>Topic 2</b></p>	<p><b>Connecting with Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Resources and Potential Partners</b></p> <p>CSBG provides important funding and supports local provider agencies that are often serving the same clientele that HUD programs are attempting to assist. This session will provide a state’s perspective on the CSBG Program and opportunities to connect with those resources and potential partners.</p>	
<p><b>Topic 3</b></p>	<p><b>Equity in Program Design and Implementation</b></p> <p>This session will have practical application of inclusion and diversity goals. Hear how one state has developed an Equity Toolkit as part of its regular grant management process to ensure that the state is moving in the direction of implementing our federally funded programs with a focus on racial equity.</p>	
<p><b>Speakers</b></p>		
		
<p>Heather Paul, Assistant Director, Local Government Assistance, Louisiana Office of Community Development</p>	<p>Mollie Fitzpatrick, Managing Director, Root Policy Research</p>	<p>Pauletta Bourne, COSCDA Board Member and Grants Administrator III, Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development</p>
	<p><b>Moderator</b></p> 	
<p>Felicity Lyons Gasser, Housing and Community Development Senior Specialist, California Department of Housing and Community Development</p>	<p>Rebecca Frawley Wachtel, COSCDA Board Member and Tax Credit and HOME Program Director, Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities</p>	

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
2:30 – 2:45 pm	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, Refreshments)</b>  Try a piece of Smith Island Cake and hear the story about it along with other showcase projects in the next session.	Annapolis Atrium
2:45 – 3:45 pm	<b>Coffee, Cake, &amp; Community Project Showcase</b>  Hear presentations that showcase exemplary projects from across Maryland! Speakers will share successful strategies and outcomes in community development, housing, homelessness, and disaster recovery. Learn about community-based initiatives while enjoying Smith Island Cake, the official state dessert!	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Brian Murphy, Founder and President, The Smith Island Baking Company	Pat Escher, Former Director of Planning, City of Cambridge Maryland	Kevin N. Baynes, Director, State Revitalization Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development
	<b>Moderator</b>	
Melissa Muntz, Executive Director, SHIP of Frederick County		
	Robyne Chaconas, Deputy Director, Community Development Administration Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development	
3:45 – 4:00 pm	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>  Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	Annapolis Atrium

Time	Session	Location
4:00 – 5:30 pm	<b>Concurrent Breakout Sessions B</b>	
Community Development	<b>Coordinating CDBG with Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</b>	Regatta Ballroom
Description:	The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) provided substantial resources to rebuild and provide necessary infrastructure. This session will highlight the opportunities to utilize those resources in conjunction with CDBG. The focus of this session will be on how states can coordinate funding for infrastructure.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Charles Phillion, Program Director, New York State Office of Community Renewal	Fenishia Favorite, Policy and Programs Coordinator, Louisiana Office of Community Development	Suzanne Barnard, COSCDA Board Member and Director for Community Development Block Grant Programs, Texas Department of Agriculture
<b>Moderator</b> 	Kimberly Carter, COSCDA Board Member and Division Director, Community Finance Division, Georgia Department of Community Affairs	
Housing	<b>HOME-ARP Implementation</b>	Bowline Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
Description:	Following along after Action Plans were approved, there are many issues that states are working on to effectively implement HOME-ARP projects. This session will cover a wide variety of issues and answer questions on critical topics in managing these new funds.	

<b>Speakers</b>		
		<b>Moderator</b> 
Kris Richmond, Senior Manager, ICF Consulting	Elisa Hupp, Senior Manager, Community Development, ICF Consulting	Quisgard, HOME Program Manager, Single Family Housing, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
Homelessness	<b>Health and Homeless Partnerships – Getting Started, Next Steps &amp; Data Sharing</b>	Carrick Bend Meeting Room (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)
Description:	This session will follow up from discussion started at the 2023 Program Managers Conference about how states can better connect their homelessness programs with the health care system. This session will focus on other examples of partnerships and data sharing models with health care organizations.	





<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Winona Conner, Housing Finance Deputy Administrator, Louisiana Housing Corporation	Andy McMahon, Vice President, Impact Investments, UnitedHealth Group	Robert W. Plant, Ph.D., President, Robert W. Plant, Ph.D., LLC – Behavioral Health and Social Service Consulting
<b>Moderator</b> 	Steve DiLella, Director, Individual and Family Support Program Unit, Connecticut Department of Housing	



Time	Session	Location
Disaster Recovery	<b>Unmet Needs Assessments: FEMA &amp; Alternative Data Sources</b>	Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
Description:	Gathering and analyzing data is critical for Action Plan approval and good decisions on use of funds. FEMA has effective data for hurricane and flood-related disasters, but there are other alternatives, especially for fire damages. This session also will outline the limitations of FEMA and other data sources.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
David Bowman, Deputy Director, Division of Local Government, Colorado Department of Local Affairs	Kathy Tremblay, CDBG-DR Program Manager, Georgia Department of Community Affairs	Maziar Movassaghi, Chief Disaster Recovery Officer, California Department of Housing and Community Development
	<b>Moderator</b>	
		
Benjamin Rance, Project Lead – Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool (RAPT), Federal Emergency Management Agency	Stephen Stransky, Disaster Recovery Team Lead, Iowa Economic Development Authority	
5:30 pm	<b>Dinner on Your Own</b>	
<b>Wednesday, September 13, 2023</b>		
Time	Session	Location
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	<b>Registration - Coffee/Tea Service Provided</b>	Annapolis Atrium



8:30 – 10:00 am	<b>Plenary Session – COSCEA Award Winner Presentations</b>	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Description:</b>	Learn the details about the award-winning projects that will be announced at the President’s Reception on Monday evening. These creative projects will provide ideas for how they can be replicated in other states.	
<b>Moderator</b>	 <p>Traci Watts, COSCEA Board Member and Director, Local Government Assistance State of Louisiana, Division of Administration, Office of Community Development</p>	
10:00 – 10:15 am	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>	Annapolis Atrium
	Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	
10:15 – 11:45 am	<b>Concurrent Breakout Sessions C</b>	
Community Development	<b>Ethics in Grant Management – Next Steps</b>	Regatta Ballroom
<b>Description:</b>	HUD officials conducted a webinar on this topic in May 2023. This session will provide a brief re-fresher and go beyond, focusing on diversity equity and inclusion aspects of grant management.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Savin Ven Johnson, Deputy Director, HUD Office of Block Grant Assistance, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Robert Peterson, Director, States and Small Cities Division (OBGA) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	B. Cory Schwartz, Deputy Director, State and Small Cities Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



<b>Moderator</b>		
		<p>Kent Archer, COSCDA Board Member and Director of Community Infrastructure, Community and Rural Development, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development</p>
<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
Housing	<b>HOTMA Changes and NSPIRE Update</b>	Bowline Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
Description:	<p>The Housing Opportunity through Modernization Act (HOTMA) impacts HUD’s rental assistance programs, including HOME and HTF, affecting income and eligibility determinations. Also, HUD is releasing the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) rule which will revise housing quality requirements and inspection standards. The session will provide an overview and information on these new requirements.</p>	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		
<p>Milagro Fisher, Senior Affordable Housing Specialist, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	<p>Caitlin Renner, Assistant Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	<p>Julia Zaffarano, Housing Development and Portfolio Manager, Division of Housing, Colorado Department of Local Affairs</p>
Homelessness	<b>Increasing Housing Capacity: Housing Search, Landlord Recruitment, and HOME-ARP Opportunities</b>	Carrick Bend Meeting Room (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)
Description:	<p>There are steps and activities that states can take to expand access to housing for people experiencing homelessness without new construction or development. This session will have presentations about those steps and programs to consider that will increase the availability of housing without construction. This session may also include information about how to connect to the newest housing resource: HOME-ARP funding.</p>	

<b>Speakers</b>		
		
Kristen Toombs, Director, Office of Homeless Initiatives, Division of Housing, Colorado Department of Local Affairs	Michael Shore, President/CEO, HOM, Inc.	Curtis Stauffer, Managing Director, Housing Contract Administration, Kentucky Housing Corporation
<b>Moderator</b>		
	Stuart Campbell, Deputy Director, Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development	
<b>Disaster Recovery</b>	<b>COSCD A Recommendations for Improvement, Brainstorming, and New DR Notice</b>	Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
<b>Description:</b>	<p>This session will provide an opportunity for sharing COSCDA’s recommendations for best practices and give time to brainstorm alternative approaches to manage DR funds better. This session also will provide an overview of the latest HUD consolidated notice governing DR funds. Conference attendees will be asked to answer the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What would you do differently if you were starting out again (or advise new grantees to do) in managing your Disaster Recovery activities/programs?</li> <li>2. If you could waive a magic wand, what would you change about administering Disaster Recovery resources through HUD’s CDBG-DR funds?</li> <li>3. What are the biggest regulatory/ statutory impediments and are there any innovative approaches you've come up with to work around them?"</li> </ol>	
<b>Speakers</b>		
	Heather Lagrone, COSCDA Board Member and Senior Deputy Director, Texas General Land Office	

	<p>Jenny B. Mason, Director of Disaster Recovery, Nebraska Department of Economic Development</p>	
	<p>Jenny Cho, Assistant Deputy Director, Division of Federal Financial Assistance, Disaster Relief and Recovery California Department of Housing and Community Development</p>	
<p><b>Moderator</b></p> 	<p>Patrick Forbes, Executive Director, Louisiana Office of Community Development</p>	
<p>11:45 am - noon</p>	<p><b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b></p> <p>Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.</p>	<p>Annapolis Atrium</p>
<p>Noon – 1:15 pm</p>	<p><b>Networking Lunch – All Conference Attendees (Lunch Provided)</b></p>	<p>Regatta Ballroom</p>
<p>1:15 – 1:45 pm</p>	<p><b>Update and Presentation from HUD Senior Leadership</b></p>	<p>Regatta Ballroom</p>
<p>Description</p>	<p>Principal Deputy Assistance Secretary (PDAS) for Grant Programs Marion Mollegen McFadden will provide overview remarks on the direction of HUD Community Planning and Development (CPD) and departmental priorities.</p>	
<p><b>Speaker</b></p> 	<p>Marion Mollegen McFadden Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	
<p><b>Moderator</b></p> 	<p>Alison George, COSCDA Vice President and Housing Director, Colorado Department of Local Affairs, Division of Housing</p>	

<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>
1:45 – 2:00 pm	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>  Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	Annapolis Atrium
2:00 – 3:15 pm	<b>Concurrent Breakout Sessions</b>	
Community Development	<b>Briefing with HUD Senior Officials</b>	Regatta Ballroom
Description:	The Director and senior staff from the Office of Block Grant Assistance will provide updates on program guidance, regulations, and the funding outlook affecting the Community Development Block Grant, as well as CDBG- CV and Recovery Housing funding.	
<b>Speakers</b>		
		<b>Moderator</b> 
Robert Peterson, Director, States and Small Cities Division (OBGA) U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	B. Cory Schwartz, Deputy Director, State and Small Cities Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Suzanne Barnard, COSCOA Board Member and Director for Community Development Block Grant Programs, Texas Department of Agriculture
Housing	<b>Briefing with HUD Senior Officials</b>	Bowline Meeting Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)
Description:	The Director and senior staff from the Office of Affordable Housing Programs will provide updates on program guidance, regulations, and the funding outlook affecting the HOME Program and Housing Trust Fund.	

<b>Speakers</b>		
		
<p>Virginia Sardone Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	<p>Henrietta Owusu Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	<p>Peter Huber Deputy Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>
<p><b>Moderator</b></p> 	<p>Rebecca Frawley Wachtel, COSCDA Board Member and Tax Credit and HOME Program Director, Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities</p>	
<p>Homelessness</p>	<p>Briefing with HUD Senior Officials</p>	<p>Carrick Bend Meeting Room (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)</p>
<p>Description:</p>	<p>The Director of the Office of Special Needs Programs will provide updates on program guidance, regulations, and funding outlook affecting HUD’s Homelessness Programs.</p>	
<p><b>Speaker</b></p> 	<p>Norm Suchar Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	
<p><b>Moderator</b></p> 	<p>Janice Waddell COSCDA Board Member and Community Development Branch Chief California Department of Housing and Community Development</p>	

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Disaster Recovery	Briefing with HUD Senior Officials	Sheet Bend Meeting Room (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)
Description:	The Director of the Office of Disaster Recovery will provide updates on program guidance, regulations, and funding outlook affecting HUD’s CDBG-Disaster Recovery program.	
<b>Speaker</b> 	Frank McNally, Deputy Director, Office of Disaster Recovery, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
<b>Moderator</b> 	Heather Lagrone COSCDA Board Member and Senior Deputy Director Texas General Land Office	
3:15 – 3:30 pm	<b>Networking Break (Coffee/Tea, No Refreshments)</b>  Take advantage of the opportunity to engage with your colleagues to exchange program information and share effective strategies.	Annapolis Atrium
3:30- 5:00 pm	<b>COSCDA Business Meeting, Elections, and Closing Remarks</b>	Regatta Ballroom
Description	The meeting will provide an opportunity for members to discuss organizational issues and provide input to the COSCDA Board of Directors. Officers and Board members will be elected. Conference attendees will receive an update on the 2024 Annual Conference by the State of Nevada, the 2025 Annual Conference from the State of Illinois and cast their vote for the 2026 site of the Annual Training Conference in the Southern Region. The COSCDA representative from each state must be in attendance to cast their vote.	
5:00 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	





## 2022-2023 COSCDA Board of Directors



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