









March 18-19, 2024
Yours Truly Hotel
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Speaker List








Monday, March 18, 2024

Time	Session	Location
8:30 – 9:45 am	Welcome and Opening Plenary	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		Moderator 
Marion Mollegen McFadden Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development marion.m.mcfadden@hud.gov	Todd M. Richardson, General Deputy Assistant Secretary U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development todd.m.richardson@hud.gov	Alison George, COSCDA President and Housing Director, Colorado Department of Local Affairs alison.george@state.co.us
10:00 – 11:30 am	Concurrent Breakout Sessions	
Community Development	HUD Housing Initiatives: PRO Housing, Price, Recovery Housing, Neighborhood Stabilization, & Notice on CDBG in Support of Housing	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		
Jennifer Day, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development jennifer.s.day@hud.gov	Jeremiah Christopher, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development jeremiah.j.christopher@hud.gov	Colin Cross, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development colin.p.cross@hud.gov

		<p>Moderator</p> 
<p>Claire Morehouse, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development claire.o.morehouse@hud.gov</p>	<p>C. Duncan Yetman, Jr., Deputy Director, Entitlement Communities Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development c.duncan.yetman@hud.gov</p>	<p>Dennis Porter Manager Idaho Department of Commerce dennis.porter@commerce.idaho.gov</p>
<p>Housing</p>	<p>Office-to-Residential Conversions: Navigating Complexities, Achieving Results</p>	<p>Meeting Room Three Lobby Level</p>
<p>Presenters:</p>		
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<p>Anita Kramer, Senior Vice President, ULI Center for Real Estate Economics and Capital Markets, Urban Land Institute anita.kramer@uli.org</p>	<p>Tracy Hadden Loh, Fellow, Brookings Metro, Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Center for Transformative Placemaking TLoh@brookings.edu</p>	<p>Emma Waters, Policy Analyst, Bipartisan Policy Center ewaters@bipartisanpolicy.org</p>
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<p>Kurt G. Usowski, Ph.D., Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs, Office of Policy Development and Research, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development kurt.g.usowski@hud.gov</p>	<p>Lesley M. Edmond, J.D., CPM, Housing Compliance Officer, District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development lesley.edmond@dc.gov</p>	






Homelessness	Enhancing Coordinated Entry	Meeting Room Eleven
Presenters:		
		
<p>Melisa Linden, Coordinated Entry Performance Specialist, Washington State Department of Commerce melisa.linden@commerce.wa.gov</p>		<p>Karen R. Byron, Supervisor, Balance of State CoC, Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities karen.byron@mass.gov</p>
		<p>Moderator</p> 
<p>Sharon Price-Singer, Senior Program Specialist, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development sharon.p.singer@hud.gov</p>		<p>Tricia Davis, COSCDA Board Member and Assistant Director, Utah Office of Homeless Services tadavis@utah.gov</p>
Disaster Recovery	Meeting the Mitigation Requirement & Green Building Standards	Meeting Room Seven and Eight
Presenters:		
		
<p>Charles L. Bearman, Director, Disaster Recovery Division, Mississippi Development Authority cbearman@mississippi.org</p>		<p>Devon Shumate, Managing Director, New York State Office of Resilient Homes and Communities devon.shumate@hcr.ny.gov</p>

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Jeff Haley, Deputy Executive Director, Louisiana Office of Community Development – Disaster Recovery Unit jeff.haley@la.gov		Will Cundiff, CDBG-DR Program Manager, Colorado Department of Local Affairs will.cundiff@state.co.us	
1:00 – 2:30 pm		Concurrent Breakout Sessions	
Community Development	Effective Procurement – Fulfilling Requirements & Avoiding Conflict of Interest	Meeting Room Nine and Ten	
Presenters:			
			
Lilah Haxton, AICP, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development lilah.j.haxton@HUD.gov		Kathleen Weissenberger, Principal and Owner, KW Consultants, LLC kathleen@kw-consultants.com	
Moderator 		Crystal Loffler, President, Office of Community Renewal, New York State Homes & Community Renewal crystal.loffler@hcr.ny.gov	

Housing	GAO Evaluation of the Housing Trust Fund & HOME/HTF Grant Closeouts	Meeting Room Three Lobby Level
Presenters:		
		
Virginia Sardone, Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development virginia.sardone@hud.gov	Peter Huber, Deputy Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development peter.h.huber@hud.gov	Bill Lord, Director, Community Housing, Tennessee Housing Development Agency blord@thda.org
	Moderator 	
Willa Darley Chapin, Housing Branch Chief, Division of Federal Financial Assistance, California Department of Housing & Community Development willa.darleychapin@hcd.ca.gov	Lorissa Luciani, Administrator, Division of Housing & Community Resources – Housing Production, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs lorissa.luciani@dca.nj.gov	
Homelessness	Monitoring Subrecipients – Guidance and Tools Used by States	Meeting Room Eleven
Presenters:		
		
Tami Hill Thomas, Audit and Compliance Lead, Special Needs Assistance Program, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development tamara.h.thomas@hud.gov	Suzanne Korff, Senior Policy Officer, Homelessness Initiatives, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development suzanne.korff@maryland.gov	

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<p>Karen R. Byron, Supervisor, Balance of State CoC, Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities karen.byron@mass.gov</p>		<p>Shaye Rabold, Continuum of Care Planning and Technical Administrator, Kentucky Housing Corporation srabold@kyhousing.org</p>
Disaster Recovery	Program Management Software & Connecting to DRGR	Meeting Room Seven and Eight
Presenters:		
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<p>James Shuster, Chief Information Officer / Deputy Director, Division of Disaster Recovery and Mitigation, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs james.shuster@dca.nj.gov</p>		<p>Philip Carter, Staff Officer/Program Manager, Disaster Recovery Division, Mississippi Development Authority pcarter@mississippi.org</p>
		Moderator 
<p>Alex Pennington, Director of Research & Strategic Analysis, New York State Office of Resilient Homes and Communities alex.pennington@hcr.ny.gov</p>		<p>Jenny B. Mason, Director, Disaster Recovery Division, Nebraska Department of Economic Development jenny.mason@nebraska.gov</p>

Time	Session	Location
2:45 – 4:00 pm	Aligning HUD Environmental Reviews with Other Federal Agencies & ER Updates	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenter 		Lauren Hayes Knutson, Director - Environmental Planning Division, HUD's Office of Environment and Energy, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development lauren.e.hayes@hud.gov
Moderator 		Kent Archer, Director of Community Infrastructure, Community and Rural Development, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development kent.archer@tn.gov
2:45 – 4:00 pm	Homelessness Inclusion of Lived Experience in Policy & Program Administration	Meeting Room Eleven
Presenters:		
		
Juanita Perry, Senior Program Specialist, Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development juanita.a.perry@HUD.gov		Whitney Whitaker, Emergency Solutions Grants Program Manager, Division of Housing, Colorado Department of Local Affairs whitney.whitaker@state.co.us

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<p>Steve DiLella, Director, Individual and Family Support Program Unit, Connecticut Department of Housing Steve.dilella@ct.gov</p>		<p>Danielle Meister, Director, Office of Community Services, Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development danielle.meister@maryland.gov</p>
Time	Session	Location
4:15 – 5:15 pm	VAWA’s Housing Protections for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, and Sexual Assault	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		
<p>Karlo Ng, Director on Gender-based Violence Prevention and Equity, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development karlo.ng@hud.gov</p>		<p>Larisa Kofman, Co-Owner, Managing Partner, Enfuse Action Collective larisa@enfuseaction.com</p>
Moderator 	<p>Rebecca Frawley Wachtel, COSCDA Board Member, Tax Credit and HOME Program Director, Massachusetts – Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities rebecca.frawley@mass.gov</p>	

Tuesday, March 19, 2024





Time	Session	Location
8:30 – 9:30 am	Plenary Session	
	BABA Implementation Challenges and Updates	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		
Lisa Maxwell, Community Development Bureau Manager, Mississippi Development Authority lmaxwell@mississippi.org	Brittany Pittman, State Program Manager, ARC & SCRC, Georgia Department of Community Affairs brittany.pittman@dca.ga.gov	Andrew Van Horn, Policy Analyst, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials avanhorn@nahro.org
	Moderator 	
Chris Hart, Management Analyst, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development christopher.hart@hud.gov	Cindy Stone, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Community Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development cindy.stone@maryland.gov	

9:30 – 10:00 am	Plenary Session	
	Washington Update	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenter:		
	Moderator	
Josh Shumaker, Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs, COSCDAC JShumaker@coscda.org	Cindy Stone, COSCDA Board Member and Director, Community Programs, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development cindy.stone@maryland.gov	
10:15 – 11:45 am	Concurrent Breakout Sessions	
Community Development	Streamlining Your CDBG Grant Process & CDBG Reform Regulation	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		
Erinn Martin, Senior Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development erinn.m.martin@hud.gov	Geoffrey Armes, Community Planning and Development Specialist, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development geoffrey.c.arnes@hud.gov	B. Cory Schwartz, Deputy Director, Office of Block Grant Assistance, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development benjamin.c.schwartz@hud.gov

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Mark Staff, Director, State of Wisconsin Department of Administration mark.staff@Wisconsin.gov	Felicity Gasser, Housing and Community Development Senior Specialist, California Department of Housing and Community Development felicity.gasser@hcd.ca.gov	Kimberly Carter, Division Director, Community Finance Division, Georgia Department of Community Affairs kim.carter@dca.ga.gov
Housing	How States are Implementing HOME-ARP (and updates from HUD)	Meeting Room Three Lobby Level
Presenters:		
		
Bill Lord, Director, Community Housing, Tennessee Housing Development Agency blord@thda.org	Russell Goodman, Homeless Housing Funding Program Manager, Utah Office of Homeless Services dwstravel@utah.gov	
		
Ilona Nagy, HOME-ARP Manager, Georgia Department of Community Affairs ilona.nagy@dca.ga.gov	Henrietta Owusu, Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Henrietta.Owusu@hud.gov	

Moderator				Julia Zaffarano, Associate Director, Office of Housing Finance and Sustainability, Division of Housing, Colorado Department of Local Affairs julia.zaffarano@state.co.us	
Homelessness		Listening Session: Improving How States Do Business– Data to Planning to Implementation		Meeting Room Eleven	
Presenter:					
		William Snow, Senior Program Specialist, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development William.snow@hud.gov			
Moderator					
		Steve DiLella, Director, Individual and Family Support Program Unit, Connecticut Department of Housing Steve.dilella@ct.gov			
Disaster Recovery		Managing Activity Delivery Costs		Meeting Room Seven and Eight	
Presenters:					
					
Jen Hylton Carpenter, Director, Policy Division, Office of Disaster Recovery, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development jennifer.hylton.carpenter@hud.gov		Ransford “Ran” Reinhard, Director of Operations, South Carolina Office of Resilience Ransford.reinhard@scor.sc.gov			

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Wendy Nelson, Fiscal Compliance Section Chief, Disaster Response and Operation Branch, California Department of Housing & Community Development Wendy.Nelson@hcd.ca.gov		Jenny Cho, Assistant Deputy Director, Division of Federal Financial Assistance, Disaster Relief and Recovery, California Department of Housing & Community Development jenny.cho@hcd.ca.gov
1:15 – 2:45 pm	Updates from COSCDA's Policy Partner and Proposed New Vision for HUD	Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:		
		
Ann Oliva, CEO, National Alliance to End Homelessness aoliva@naeh.org	Jenny Scheutz, Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution jschuetz@brookings.edu	Tess Hembree, Executive Director, COSCDA themhree@coscda.org
Moderator 	Seila Mosquera-Bruno, COSCDA Board Member and Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Housing Seila.Mosquera-Bruno@ct.gov	

3:00 – 4:30 pm		Concurrent Breakout Sessions	
Community Development	Briefing with HUD Senior Officials		Meeting Room Nine and Ten
Presenters:			
			
Robert Peterson Director, State and Small Cities Division U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development robert.c.peterson@hud.gov		B. Cory Schwartz Deputy Director, State and Small Cities Division U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development benjamin.c.schwartz@hud.gov	
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Housing	Briefing with HUD Senior Officials	Meeting Room Three Lower Lobby Level
Presenters:		
		
<p>Virginia Sardone Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development virginia.sardone@hud.gov</p>	<p>Peter Huber Deputy Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Peter.H.Huber@hud.gov</p>	<p>Henrietta Owusu Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Henrietta.Owusu@hud.gov</p>
		
<p>Danielle Frazier Director, Financial and Information System Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Danielle.Frazier@hud.gov</p>	<p>Diane Thompson, Assistant Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Diane.A.Thompson@hud.gov</p>	<p>Caitlin Renner, Assistant Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Caitlin.Renner@hud.gov</p>
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<p>Walter Howell, Assistant Director, Program Policy Division, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development walter.l.howell@hud.gov</p>	<p>Rebecca Frawley Wachtel COSDA Board Member and Tax Credit and HOME Program Director Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development rebecca.frawley@mass.gov</p>	

Homelessness	Briefing with HUD Senior Officials	Meeting Room Eleven
Presenter		<p>Norm Suchar Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Norman.a.suchar@hud.gov</p>
Moderator		<p>Janice Waddell COSDA Board Member and Community Development Branch Chief California Department of Housing and Community Development Janice.Waddell@hcd.ca.gov</p>
Disaster Recovery	Briefing with HUD Senior Officials	Meeting Room Seven and Eight
Presenter		<p>Tennille Smith Parker Director, Office of Disaster Recovery U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Tennille.S.Parker@hud.gov</p>
Moderator		<p>Heather Lagrone COSDA Board Member and Senior Deputy Director Texas General Land Office heather.lagrone.glo@recovery.texas.gov</p>