Michigan Chapter
National Association of
Housing and Redevelopment Officials

SPRING CONFERENCE

May 4-6, 2016

Accelerating in the “D”

Motor City Casino Hotel
Detroit, Michigan

Hosted by: Detroit Housing Commission
Wednesday, May 4th

**ADDITIONAL COST**

**Ethics and the Housing and Community Development Commissioner (.65 CEUs)**

Sharon Carlson, NAHRO Trainer

Ethics plays a significant role in the life of a commissioner. This seminar increases the commissioner’s understanding of professional conduct guidelines, and the ability to recognize and appropriately address ethics-related issues and problems that may occur. Participants learn about industry laws and regulations that may impact ethical conduct, and how to build capacity as a board member. This course, intended for the new commissioner and a refresher for the veteran, uses practical applications and skills assessment exercises to reinforce ethical concepts.

10:00 a.m.  
**2016 NAHRO SPRING GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Welcome everyone . . . men, ladies, and golfers of all abilities! Contact Cheryl Anne Farmer at 734.498.2493 or cfarmer@frontier.com for details and to reserve a spot before April 17, 2015.

**Whispering Willows Golf Course**

20500 Newburgh Road  
Livonia, Mi. 48152  
248-476-4493

3:00 p.m.

Hotel Check-in

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Michigan NAHRO Executive Board Meeting**

President Lorri Brookman presiding

Thursday, May 5th

Registration & Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**General Track**

**Is This Any Way to Run a Public Meeting in Michigan?**

Hurricene Hardaway, Detroit Housing Commission General Council

What do you do if unruly residents and members of the public appear at a Board meeting at which an unpopular position is being considered? How do you retain control of the meeting? When can you remove a person from a meeting? Can you go into closed session to avoid having the residents hear the discussion? Can you recess the meeting to another day without reposting a public notice of the meeting? Can you require everyone present to sign in with name and address?

These and other issues will be addressed in this session which will begin with a presentation on Michigan’s Open Meetings Act (“Act”) requirements for public bodies and end with a mock Board meeting at which the Act’s requirements will be demonstrated. Come witness this humorous demonstration of how not to run a Board meeting.

**Maintenance Track**

**Bed Bugs**

Aaron Young, Eradico Pest Services

Join the creepy crawly discussion and learn the biology and life cycle of bed bugs. This session will also touch on bed bug prevention as well as the latest methods being used to successfully eradicate infestations from your apartments.

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Break With Vendors

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**General Track**

**HCV Optimization and the HCV Forecasting Tool**

Angela Foster, PH Revitalization Specialist, Det. HUD Field Office

HCV Optimization and the HCV Forecasting Tool: Great for frontline staff and Executive Directors to learn how to utilize HUD’s new HCV Forecasting tool to obtain lease up optimization to ensure you are maximizing your client lease ups and HAP Payments.

**Commissioners Track**

**Ethics and the Housing and Community Development Commissioner**

Continued from Wednesday...

**Maintenance Track**

**Maintenance Roundtables**

Bruce Johnston - Moderator

Come be a part of an open forum for maintenance personnel from around the state to ask and answer questions and share tricks of the trade.
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**General Track**

**Housing the Homeless: Social Service Considerations**
- **Tasha Gray**, Executive Director, Homeless Action Network of Detroit
- **Lisa Chapman**, Director, CSH
- **Shawn Dowling (VA)**, LISW-ACSW, Coordinator, Healthcare for Homeless Veterans
- **Beverly Ebersold**, Director of National Initiatives, United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

Hear from leaders of social service agencies on their experiences with serving the homeless and their recommendations for PHAs when providing housing assistance to the homeless.

**Commissioners Track**

**Ethics and the Housing and Community Development Commissioner**
Continued...

**Maintenance Track**

**Dealing With Difficult People**
- **Traci L. Buck, MSW**

Learn strategies that will empower you to deal with “difficult people” more confidently. Identifying and understanding different types of “difficult people”. Know you are not alone! Get support before, during and after dealing with the challenges of a difficult person. Don’t be difficult...sign up today!

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Break With Vendors**

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**General Track**

**Housing the Homeless: A Practitioners View**
- **Jennifer Hall**, Director, Ann Arbor HC
- **Felicia Clay**, Resident Service Manager, Grand Rapids HC
- **Kim Carrion**, Director, Mt. Pleasant HC
- **Joy Flood**, Detroit HC
- **Kelly Rose**, MSHDA

Hear from your colleagues as they discuss the benefits, challenges and achievements in housing the homeless. They will discuss policy considerations, building networks, and operational considerations.

**Maintenance Track**

**Active Shooter**
- **Marilyn Knight**, The Incident Management Team

This scenario-based workshop will facilitate discussions to engage professionals and law enforcement representatives from Federal, State, and local agencies to learn how to prepare for, and respond to, an active shooter situation.

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Exhibitor Hospitality**

Come join us as we thank the exhibitors for sponsoring this conference. Everyone is encouraged to enjoy the food and hospitality. Don’t miss out on a fun time to be had by all! This opportunity to network and socialize is partially sponsored by the exhibitors.

**Friday, May 6th**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**

Breakfast and Business Meeting

**9:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.**

**HUD Update**
- **Doug Gordon**

Remember to Thank our SPEAKERS, SPONSORS & EXHIBITORS for participating in our conference!

**Hotel Information**

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**Motor City Casino Hotel**
- 2901 Grand River Avenue
- Detroit, MI 48201-2907
- Reservations: (866) 782-9622

A block of rooms under the name of Michigan NAHRO until April 18, 2016 Reference group code MI NAHRO when making reservation.

Room rates: $129 per night (single or double occupancy)
REGISTRATION FORM
2016 MI NAHRO Spring Conference
Please fill out the information requested below. Please print clearly.

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Name ________________________________
Title ________________________________
Agency ______________________________
Address ______________________________
City/State/ZIP _________________________
Phone ________________________________
Fax _________________________________
Email ________________________________

Dietary Restrictions ____________________

REGISTRATION FEES
Registration fees include refreshment breaks, Thursday lunch and hospitality and Friday breakfast. Early registration rates apply to all registrations received by the office no later than April 20, 2016. All registrations received after April 20, 2016 will be charged a $25 late registration fee.

Executive Directors attending their first Michigan NAHRO Conference may be eligible to have the fee waived. Please contact Angela Stephens at 616.642.9832 to see if you qualify for a free conference.

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PLEASE CHECK IF YOU ARE:
☐ First-Time Attendee
☐ NAHRO Associate Member
☐ Guest

Session Choices:
☐ Open Meetings Act
☐ Bed Bugs
☐ Section 8
☐ Maint. Roundtables
☐ Homeless Social Service
☐ Difficult People
☐ Homeless Practitioners
☐ Active Shooter

PAYMENT INFORMATION
TOTAL: $__________
Please add the section totals and place sum in space provided above.

Check #____________
Please make checks payable to Michigan Chapter of NAHRO.

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE is April 20, 2016. All registrations received after April 20, 2016 will be charged a $25 late registration fee. Please note: No refunds after April 27, 2016. Cancellations received 7 days prior to Conference will be refunded less a $15.00 cancellation fee. Requests for refunds for extenuating circumstances within 7 days of conference must be in writing to the State Service Officer, 169 Templar, Pinckney, MI 48169 within two weeks of the ending date of conference. Questions? Call the MI NAHRO office at 734.498.2493.

Return registration form and payment to:
MI NAHRO, 169 Templar, Pinckney, MI 48169
Ph: 734.498.2493 or Fax: 734.498.8415
You can also register online at
www.minahro.org

FULL CONFERENCE:
Choose ONLY one

Member
Non-Member
Commissioners Ethics
Guest

Early     Late
☐ $150     ☐ $175
☐ $175     ☐ $200
☐ $350     ☐ $100

Included in registration: Thursday lunch, breaks, hospitality and Friday breakfast. Ethics Registration includes lunch on Wednesday.