NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

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Be an Industry Advocate while at the NAHMA March Meeting

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 8, 2017 — While in Washington to learn about the latest industry trends at the National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) annual winter meeting, March 5-7, make sure your voice gets heard on affordable housing issues important to you by scheduling visits with your local senators or representatives and their staff; and let NAHMA make sure your name gets in the appointment book. At the same time, don't forget to preregister for the meeting online and give yourself more time to sleep in on Sunday, the first day of the event.

For assistance scheduling your Hill meetings, which should be arranged in advance, contact NAHMA's Government Affairs department by Feb. 16: director Larry Keys Jr. by calling 703-683-8630, ext. 111 or emailing lkeys@nahma.org, or coordinator Juliana Bilowich at 703-683-8630, ext. 116 or lbilowich@nahma.org. NAHMA suggests making your appointments for the afternoon of the last day of the meeting, Tuesday, March 7.

If you manage or own properties in several locations, and are unsure of all of the representatives or senators who represent those districts, you can use <u>NAHMA Maps</u> to find your elected officials. NAHMA will be providing members with concise talking points and one-page legislative overviews to prepare for and facilitate the Hill meetings. Additionally, you can find easy-to-use advocacy tools and tips on the Grassroots <u>Action Toolkit</u> webpage under the Grassroots Advocacy tab at www.nahma.org.

The three-day NAHMA meeting features educational panels, networking opportunities, Industry and AHMA Awards ceremony and the Communities of Quality Awards luncheon. As noted, the event concludes with prearranged Capitol Hill meetings with congressional representatives and their staff.

Meeting registration includes admission to the COQ Awards luncheon, Industry Awards reception, committee meetings and educational panels. To see the full preliminary <u>agenda</u>, visit the <u>Meetings</u> page on the NAHMA website.

The winter meeting, focused on federal policy issues, takes place at the Fairmont Washington, 2401 M St. NW, Washington, D.C., March 5-7. The NAHMA room block single/double rate is \$320. There are a limited number of discounted rooms still available, which are booked on a first-come, first-served basis. Reserve your room online today, https://aws.passkey.com/event/13693190/owner/56417/home.

The NAHMA meeting is made possible by Platinum sponsors, HD Supply Multifamily Solutions and Yardi.

For more information regarding the meeting, contact Brenda Moser, director of meetings and membership, by calling 703-683-8630, ext. 112 or emailing brenda.moser@nahma.org.

Share your thoughts, ideas and excitement about the upcoming NAHMA March meeting using #nahma17 on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter and tell us what issues you want to discuss with members of Congress.

NAHMA is the leading voice for affordable housing management, advocating on behalf of multifamily property managers and owners whose mission is to provide quality affordable housing. NAHMA supports legislative and regulatory policy that promotes the development and preservation of decent and safe affordable housing, is a vital resource for technical education and information and fosters strategic relations between government and industry. NAHMA's membership represents 75 percent of the affordable housing industry, and includes its most distinguished multifamily owners and management companies. Visit www.nahma.org for more information.

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