NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

## PROTECTING THE INTERESTS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROPERTY MANAGERS AND OWNERS

## Schedule a Hill Visit While Attending the NAHMA March Meeting

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 7, 2018 — While in Washington to learn about the latest industry trends at the National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) annual winter meeting, March 4-6, make sure your voice gets heard on affordable housing issues important to you by scheduling visits with your local congressional 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. The last day to receive the meeting registration discount is this Friday, Feb. 9.

For assistance scheduling your Hill meetings, which should be arranged in advance, contact NAHMA's Government Affairs department by Friday, Feb. 9: director Larry Keys Jr. by calling 703-683-8630, ext. 111 or emailing <a href="likeys@nahma.org">lkeys@nahma.org</a>, or coordinator Juliana Bilowich at 703-683-8630, ext. 116 or <a href="liblowich@nahma.org">lbilowich@nahma.org</a>. NAHMA suggests making your appointments for the afternoon of the last day of the meeting, Tuesday, March 6.

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 the congressional directories for the <a href="House">House</a> and <a href="Senate">Senate</a> 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 <a href="Action Toolkit">Action Toolkit</a> webpage under the Grassroots Advocacy tab at www.nahma.org.

The meeting, focused on federal policy issues, takes place at the Fairmont Washington, 2401 M St. NW, Washington, D.C., March 4-6. The NAHMA room block single/double rate is \$325. The discounted rooms are booked on a first-come, first-served basis and expire on or before Friday, Feb. 9, depending on availability. Reserve your room online today, <a href="https://resweb.passkey.com/go/nahma2018">https://resweb.passkey.com/go/nahma2018</a>.

The annual three-day conference features a number of educational panels specifically geared toward the affordable housing industry that are led by the people who are experts in their fields. New this year is the NAHMA Members Talk Trends and Best Practices panel, Sunday, March 4, featuring three half-hour sessions focused on key topics presented in an interactive format.

Senior leadership from the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Multifamily Housing and the Real Estate Assessment Center, the Department of Agriculture's Rural Housing Service, the Housing Partnership Network, Enterprise Community Partners and the Caleb Group have already been confirmed as speakers.

The meeting features educational panels, networking opportunities, NAHMA committee meetings, the Industry Awards ceremony and the Communities of Quality (COQ) Awards luncheon. It concludes with prearranged Capitol Hill meetings with congressional representatives and their staff.

Event registration includes admission to all of the sessions, as well as the COQ Awards luncheon and Industry Awards ceremony, both of which take place Monday, March 5. To see the full preliminary agenda, visit the Meetings page on the NAHMA website. The NAHMA meeting is made possible by Platinum sponsors, HD Supply Multifamily Solutions, ResMan, Wells Fargo Insurance Services and Yardi Systems.

Prospective members receive free meeting registration while current members who register before Feb. 9 save \$50. Even though prospective members can attend the meeting at no charge, <u>preregistration</u> is required. This offer is limited to one staff member per company and may only be used once per person.

For more information regarding the meeting, contact Brenda Moser, director of meetings and membership, by calling 703-683-8630, ext. 112 or emailing <a href="mailto:brenda.moser@nahma.org">brenda.moser@nahma.org</a>.

What pressing issues facing affordable housing do you want to discuss with congressional members? Tell us using #nahma18 on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

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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