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Learn What It Takes to Be a COQ Winner at the NAHMA March Meeting

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 30, 2020 — The Communities of Quality (COQ) Award winners will be featured at a special luncheon during the 2020 National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) Biannual Top Issues in Affordable Housing <u>winter conference</u>. Find out what made these communities stand out. But first, you have to make sure you <u>register</u> for the NAHMA meeting today. The meeting registration discount and room block expire in two weeks, Feb. 14.

With a focus on the top issues facing affordable housing, the winter meeting takes place at the Fairmont Washington, 2401 M St. NW, Washington, D.C., March 8-10. The three-day NAHMA March meeting features educational panels, networking opportunities, the Industry and AHMA Awards evening reception and the COQ Awards luncheon. The event concludes with prearranged Capitol Hill meetings with congressional representatives and their staff.

The meeting <u>registration</u> discount expires Feb. 14. And don't forget to <u>book</u> your hotel room while you are at it. The NAHMA room block single/double rate is \$335. The discounted rooms are booked on a first-come, first-served basis and expire on or before Feb. 14, depending on availability. The room reservation requires a separate registration from the NAHMA meeting.

The annual meeting features a number of educational panels specifically geared toward the affordable housing industry that are led by people who are experts in their fields. Invited guests include representatives from the departments of Housing and Urban Development and Agriculture, and more. 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 9. Look for some new offerings and fun activities, as well. To see the full, updated <u>preliminary agenda</u>, visit the <u>Meetings</u> page on the NAHMA website.

And since you will be on Capitol Hill anyway, document your grassroots advocacy efforts by posting them to social media using the hashtags, #ScoreMoreHousing and #nahma20 as part of the ongoing Advocacy Challenge. For tips on grassroots advocacy, updated legislative priorities and best practices for effective advocacy, plan to attend the interactive Advocacy Workshop, Tuesday, March 10, during the winter conference.

Members are encouraged to schedule Hill visits with their congressional representatives, and their staff, in advance. For those needing assistance, contact NAHMA's Government Affairs team: Larry Keys Jr., 703-683-8630, ext. 111, <u>lkeys@nahma.org</u>; or Juliana Bilowich, 703-683-8630, ext. 116, <u>jbilowich@nahma.org</u>. The deadline to request assistance arranging Hill visits through NAHMA is Feb. 7.

The NAHMA meeting is made possible by Platinum sponsors, Buyers Access, HD Supply Multifamily Solutions, USI Insurance Services and Yardi Systems.

For more information regarding the meeting, contact Brenda Moser, director of meetings and membership, by calling 703-683-8630, ext. 114, or emailing <u>brenda.moser@nahma.org</u>.

Share your thoughts, ideas and excitement about the upcoming NAHMA March meeting using #nahma20 on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u> and <u>Twitter</u> and tell us what you think is the most pressing issue facing the affordable housing industry for 2020.

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% of the affordable housing industry, and includes its most distinguished multifamily owners and management companies. Visit <u>www.nahma.org</u> for more information.

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