

PSWRC-NAHRO needs your help with showing the rest of the world how important affordable housing is on a national level by highlighting local affordable housing activities within our region.

October is Housing America Month! This was established in 2007 in NAHRO in response to requests from members that we work together to raise national awareness of the work of local housing authorities and to recognize the critical role that safe, decent and affordable housing plays in communities across the country.

With this in mind, there is a coordinated effort to raise awareness of any activity that you and your agencies are doing during October. If you have any ribbon cuttings, groundbreakings, open houses or other celebrations, please let us know so that we can make sure to acknowledge your efforts on behalf of Housing America. These events will be highlighted nationally as examples of the amazing work that we do-and how these activities strengthen families and communities.

Let's make sure that PSWRC-NAHRO members are well represented! Please tell us about the little or big things your agencies do all year round to help improve the quality of residents' or participants' lives. Examples can include opening your waiting lists, hosting a job fair for residents, holding a "Back to School" drive or thanksgiving canned food drive, writing a letter to a member of Congress, entering the poster contest, maintaining a community garden, hosting after school programs, supporting health fairs, writing an op ed in a local paper, etc. Pictures help to tell us the entire story, but are not required. The Region's hope is to highlight every day during October, at least

one agency's activities on the PSWRC website, make a regional "announcement" to our membership via a daily email blast to create some "healthy" competition among you all, and get you recognized for your hard work on NAHRO's on the Hill blog, social media and NAHRO publications.

Fill out a form for us by clicking the following link, "[**I HAVE A HOUSING AMERICA EVENT**](#)," now so that we can calendar your event and get you that recognition! Please include any relevant background information on your events including pictures, if available.

For more info regarding the Housing America campaign, please click [here](#).