Hello,

Welcome to the Nation’s Capital and the 2022 Legislative Conference. We are pleased to bring together tribal housing leaders and advocates for a week of updates and interface with members of Congress and federal agency representatives as well as each other. Due to the pandemic, NAIHC has not hosted the Legislative Conference in-person for two years and that’s far too long. Also, please take this opportunity to network and share with housing friends, colleagues, and NAIHC staff!

The Covid pandemic proved that tribes and tribal housing programs are resilient and resourceful. NAIHC invites you to share those stories of successes and challenges with lawmakers and policymakers this week. We encourage your delegation to continue advocating for the reauthorization of NAHASDA, increased funding for the Indian Housing Block Grant, and for more improvements to federal housing programs like HUD-VASH.

We are thankful for the work in your regions and communities to create housing opportunities for American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian families, elders, youth, and veterans across the country. NAIHC is your advocate in Washington, DC representing all regions advocating on all levels for housing needs within Indian Country.

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National American Indian Housing Council

Tribal Housing Assistance Resource Hub

Linking Native Americans with housing, mortgage, and utility assistance resources.

Homeownership in Indian Country

Creating housing and homeownership opportunities in Indian Country is essential to the health, safety, and growth of tribal communities. Housing is community development and it can be achieved through partnerships and support among tribes, financial institutions, federal agencies, Congress, and organizations like NAIHC.

53% Of Native Americans are homeowners compared to 71% of Whites

68k New housing units are needed to address overcrowding and substandard homes

How Tribes Can Help

Take NAIHC’s Survey on Tribal Housing Assistance

Add your program’s information to the NAIHC Tribal Housing Assistance Resource Hub by taking the Tribal Services for Housing Assistance Survey. Questions focus on the types of housing services your program offers to tribal members, and the funding sources used to provide those services, specifically the HAF and ERA programs. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete.

Find the survey at: https://forms.gle/hcvA8S2KdoX71DR8

Connect with NAIHC

Sign up for the Native Housing Update, attend NAIHC events and trainings, and add the Tribal Housing Assistance Resource Hub link to your website.

Contact
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NAIHC Tribal Housing Assistance Resource Hub
https://naihc.net/tribal-housing-assistance-resource-hub/
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<td>Prepare for Congressional meetings by attending the Advocacy 101 session and learn how to conduct a productive meeting, effectively present priorities, and tips on follow up with staff.</td>
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<td>Hear about current updates on legislative priorities, funding sources, and policies and regulations related to tribal housing programs. Guest speakers invited.</td>
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<td>Network with colleagues and peers after two years of public health travel restrictions. Local entertainment invited.</td>
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Tuesday, September 20, 2022

7:30 am – 12:00pm  Registration and NAIHC Information Table  Atrium Foyer
Pick up legislative packets and Congressional meeting schedules (for groups that requested assistance).

8:00 am – 9:30am  Breakfast  Atrium Foyer

9:00 am – 11:00am  Morning Plenary Session  Atrium Ballroom
• Honor Song
• Invocation
• NAIHC Welcome – Thomas Lozano, Board Chair
• Remarks from Federal Agencies

11:00 am – 12:00pm  25 Years of NAHASDA Panel Discussion  Atrium Ballroom
Panelists discuss NAHASDA innovative successes, challenges, and ways to strengthen its support for tribal programs and members.

12:00 pm – 2:00pm  Lunch (on your own)

2:00 pm – 5:00pm  Afternoon Plenary Session  Atrium Ballroom
• NAIHC Welcome – Tony Walters, Executive Director
• Updates from Members of Congress
• Messages from Partner Organizations
• Benediction

5:00 pm  Adjourn
DAY 3

Wednesday, September 21, 2022
6:30 am – 7:30 am  **Healthy Walk**
Join NAIHC and local Native organizations on a healthy morning walk around the Capitol Hill with a stop at the National Native American Veterans Memorial.

8:00 am – 9:00 am  **Grab ‘n Go Coffee & Breakfast**
Stop by NAIHC’s coffee and breakfast station to fuel up before meeting with Congressional members and federal agency representatives.

9:30 am – 11:30 am  **Focus Group on Legislative Priorities**
A pre-selected group of tribal housing professionals share opinions and thoughts on NAIHC delivery of current legislative affairs and priorities.

9:00 am – 5:00 pm  **Capitol Hill Meetings**
Tribal leaders and tribal housing professionals are encouraged to use this time to meet with their respective Congressional delegations.
Thank you to our Healthy Walk partner:

Baltimore Native American Lifelines
Upcoming NAIHC Events

NAIHC Annual Legal Symposium 2022
December 5-7, 2022 | Las Vegas, Nevada

AMERIND | NAIHC Annual Convention & Tradeshow
May 8-11, 2023 | Waikoloa, Hawaii