



LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

117TH CONGRESS

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REAUTHORIZE NAHASDA

- Support S. 2264, the NAHASDA Reauthorization Act
- Bipartisan provisions are currently in the Senate THUD Appropriations bill
- Helps Native veterans at-risk of homelessness (improves HUD-VASH program)
- Supports student housing, streamlines environmental reviews, housing counseling
- Creates an Assistant Secretary for Indian Housing position at HUD
- Bipartisan bill passed the full Senate in 2021 NDAA

CURRENT LEGISLATION

- Pass the Native American Rural Homeownership Improvement Act, S. 2092 & H.R. 6331
 - Utilizes Native CDFIs to deploy USDA Section 502 Single Family Home Loan funds to Native Americans
- Pass the VA Native American Direct Loan Improvement Act, S. 4505
 - Increases the number of home loans to Native Veterans returning home
- Support the Tribal Trust Land Homeownership Act, S. 3381
 - Improves the BIA land title procedures for trust land home loans on trust lands

INCREASE FUNDING

- Tribal housing funding stagnant for 20 years
- HUD budget grew 2.5 times in 20 years, \$26 million in 2001 to \$65 million today
 - Tribal funds only increased 28%, from \$600 million to \$772
- Current funding only builds 2,000 units a year
 - 2017 HUD report found that 68,000 units are needed in Indian Country
 - Tribes are building; maxing out new housing construction grants each year

OTHER INITIATIVES

- Allow tribes access to the Section 8 Voucher Program
- Establish tribal set-up for Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program
- Expand access to USDA Section 502 Single Family Housing Loan Program & VA Native American Direct Loan Program
- Utilize Native CDFIs to expand access to USDA Section 502 Single Family Housing Loans & VA Native American Direct Loans on trust lands