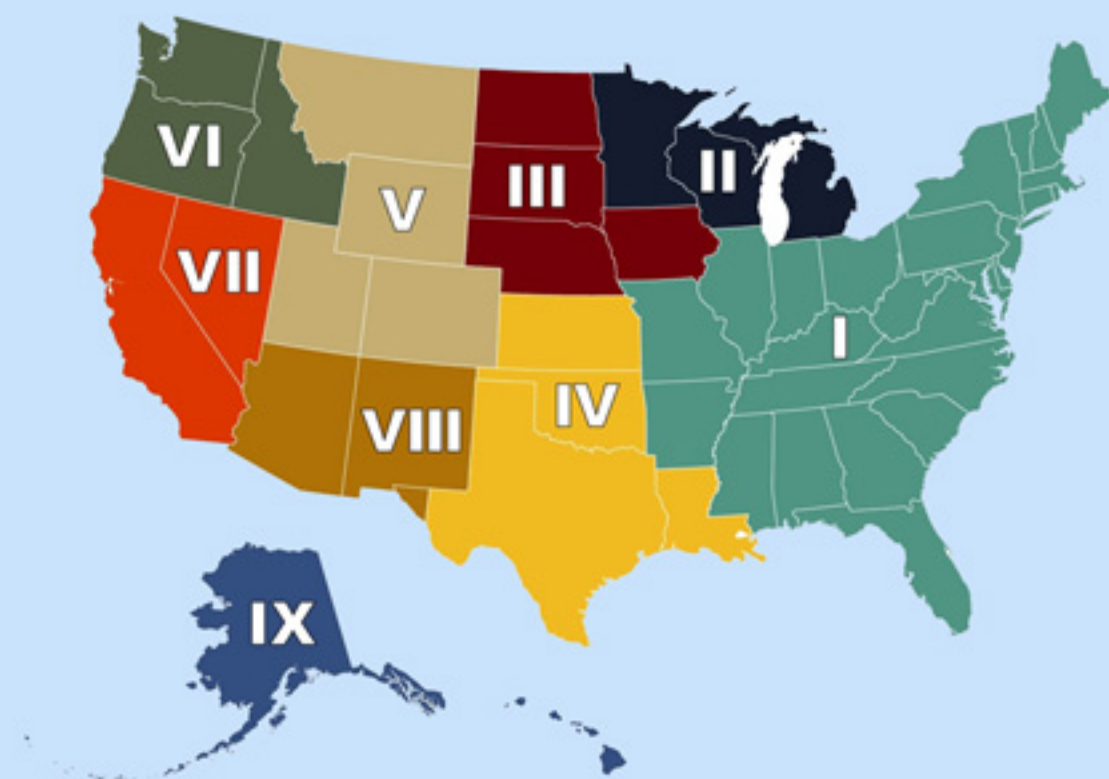


MEMBERSHIP

NAIHC consists of nine regions – covering thirty-five states. NAIHC works with these regions to bring a strong unified voice to advance a national agenda on tribal housing. Whether it is advocating for increased funding or forming intertribal partnerships to build the tribal capacity to operate housing programs, NAIHC's membership is deeply rooted in the traditional native concepts of serving their people and communities in a culturally-relevant way.



NAIHC's membership is available in three categories: voting members, associate members, and individual members. The voting membership of NAIHC consists of 270+ members representing 498 American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities. NAIHC associate membership is made up of tribal housing affiliates, such as businesses, organizations, and other entities that partner with tribes and tribal housing programs. Individuals who are supportive of tribal housing and NAIHC's mission may become non-voting individual members.

NAIHC continually seeks ways to enhance and expand its membership services. In addition, NAIHC provides the communities it serves with up-to-date information on grants, program funding and other opportunities for additional resources

Our mission is to effectively and efficiently promote and support American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians in their self-determined goal to provide culturally relevant and quality affordable housing for native people.

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ABOUT NAIHC

NAIHC supports and serves tribal housing organizations and professionals throughout Indian country. NAIHC fights for tribal self-determination and improving housing conditions in tribal communities by working with tribes, tribal housing authorities and Tribally-Designated Housing Entities (TDHE). NAIHC achieves its goals through legislative advocacy, training & technical assistance, and membership support.

As a nationally-recognized nonprofit organization, NAIHC represents the sole, unified voice for tribal housing programs.

Working closely with its industry partners and both Federal and state government agencies, NAIHC advocates for culturally-relevant, quality affordable housing for Native Americans and their families.



Since 1974, NAIHC has built a strong presence in Washington, DC; spearheaded enactment of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA); established key policy positions that support housing programs and increases resources for its members; developed the most comprehensive and extensive training and technical assistance program in existence; and annually stages three events – including a national conference, a legislative conference and a legal symposium.

NAIHC's is a Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

NAIHC provides tribes, tribal housing departments, TDHEs, and Indian housing professionals with capacity building delivered through comprehensive trainings and specialized technical assistance that meets the self-determined needs of Indian Country.

Through an agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Native American Programs, NAIHC delivers on-demand technical assistance and regional trainings for grantees of the Indian Housing Block Grant program ensuring effective program management and grant compliance.

NAIHC is also a grantee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Community Development Initiative and is carrying out a training program to meet the program mission.

NAIHC's hallmark training program is the Leadership Institute where thousands of housing professionals have been served with timely, informative, and relevant courses customized specifically for the Indian housing industry and led by experienced industry professionals. Upon completing a sequence of courses, students are eligible for specialist certifications in General Housing, Finance, Occupancy and/or Development Management. Each course and certification track successfully completed counts toward NAIHC's premier certification – the Professional Indian Housing Manager. As the leader in providing training and technical assistance to tribal housing professionals, NAIHC strives to continually update its training programs with modern and innovative techniques that will continue for years to come.

Since 2004, NAIHC has been the lead training organization for Pathways Home: A Native Guide to Homeownership, a train-the-trainer certification program that affords tribal housing and financial education professionals the ability to effectively teach the tools for tribal homeownership opportunities.

Also included in NAIHC's diverse training options is a training and certification course for tribal housing professionals developing and managing Low Income Housing Tax Credit projects.

ADVOCACY

NAIHC works with our federal partners and Congressional leaders in Washington, D.C. to ensure that the United States fulfills its responsibilities to tribes and native peoples. NAIHC promotes successful tribal housing programs and advocates for additional federal resources to address the substantial unmet housing needs across Indian Country.



NAIHC staff works directly with Congressional offices to address legislative issues affecting tribal housing. This includes identifying sponsors of tribal bills including the reauthorization of NAHASDA. NAIHC also submits funding recommendations as part of the annual appropriations process.

Additionally, NAIHC hosts an annual Legislative Conference in Washington, DC to allow our members a direct line of communication to members of Congress. NAIHC also conducts monthly legislative teleconferences to share information with tribal housing advocates and hear directly from our members regarding their legislative priorities.

