



# National American Indian Housing Council

2025 Annual Convention and Tradeshow

Hilton Los Angeles/Universal City

Universal City, CA

## Monday, May 26, 2025

Time	Item	Room
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Attendee Registration Open	Coatroom
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Indigenous Economic Development Workshop: Housing as a Driver of Community Economic Development	Sierra Ballroom CD
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	NAIHC Legislative Committee Meeting	Sierra Ballroom CD
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	NAIHC Regional Caucus Meeting	Various Rooms
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Welcome Reception	Sierra Courtyard

## Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Time	Item	Room
6:30 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast	Sierra Ballroom
6:30 am – 5:00 pm	Attendee Registration & Badge Pick-up	Coatroom
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Elders Lounge Open	Board Room
<b>8:00 am – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Opening General Session/Members Meeting</b>	<b>Sierra Ballroom CD</b>
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tradeshow Open	Sierra Ballroom AB
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	Sierra Ballroom
<b>1:45 pm – 3:15 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 1</b>	<b>Various Rooms</b>
<b>Track Type</b>	<b>Session Title</b>	<b>Room</b>

Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Using Program Income to Expand Services</b>  Presenter: Christine Dennis, Owner, Tribal Consulting Resources, PLLC	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Flipping the Mindset: Housing as Community Wellness Asset</b>  Presenters: Alec Tiger, Organizational & Tribal Planning Consultant, Headwater People Colleen Echohawk, President, Headwater People	Salon 6B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Leveraging Data-Driven Partnerships to Meet Tribal Housing Need</b>  Presenters: Kevin Klingbeil, Managing Director, Big Water Consulting, LLC Harrison Fitch, Research Associate, Big Water Consulting, LLC	Mandarin A
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<b>Empowering Tribal Housing Entities through Green Energy Investments</b>  Presenter: Doug Kolker, Partner, Wipfli LLP Jonathan D. Stowers, Green Summit Engineering	Mandarin B
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<b>Building a Homeownership Action Plan - Part 1</b>  Presenters: Joanna Donohoe, Partner, Seven Sisters Community Development Group, LLC Denise Zuni, Attorney, Sh'eh Wheef Law Offices Deborah Webster, Principle, Concept Consulting Group, LLC Jeff Hogan, Valligent Chief Appraiser	Club Room
Resiliency Planning	<b>49 Years of Tribal-State Collaboration</b>  Presenter: Corey Strong, Tribal Liaison, Minnesota Housing	Orchid

Innovations in Housing	<b>Using State Housing Dollars to Fund Supportive Housing</b>  Presenters: Zoe LeBeau, CEO, Beauxsimone Consulting Alston Turtle, Vice Chairman, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe Katie Symons, CFO, Beauxsimone Consulting	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<b>The Rights of Tribes to Convey Fee Lands</b>  Presenters: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe Katherine McComic, Associate, Buchalter	Hiro Room
<b>3:30 pm – 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Sessions Block 2</b>	
<b>Track Type</b>	<b>Session Title</b>	<b>Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Tackling Workforce Development Through Quality Affordable Modular Housing</b>  Presenters: Nelson Brown, Chief Learning Officer, Idea'l Institute Brandi Grindstaff, Chief Community Outreach Officer, Idea'l Institute	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Risk Control and Housing Resiliency</b>  Presenter: Tim Leech, First Vice President, Tribal First	Salon 6B
Construction Cost Impact	<b>Hoopa Elders' Place: Affordable Homes &amp; Community</b>  Presenters: Trent Rogers, Director of Housing Development, Travois Darcy Padilla, Executive Director, Hoopa Valley Housing Authority	Mandarin A
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<b>Raising Funds for Housing Programs Amid Federal Cuts</b>  Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority	Mandarin B

Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<b>Building a Homeownership Action Plan - Part 2</b>  Presenters: Juel Burnette, Branch Manager, 1 <sup>st</sup> Tribal Lending Denise Zuni, Attorney, Sh'eh Wheef Law Offices Jeff Hogan, Valligent Chief Appraiser	Club Room
Innovations in Housing	<b>Aligning State Funding with Tribal Housing Goals</b>  Presenters: Tim Mahern-Macias, Agency Tribal Liaison, Oregon Housing and Community Services Judy Hui-Pasquini, Senior Tribal and Rural Policy Analyst, Oregon Housing and Community Services	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>HUD 184: Most Underutilized Program – Borrowers Tribes/TDHEs</b>  Presenter: Nancy Bainbridge, EVP/Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Department, Chickasaw Community Bank	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<b>Bridging the Digital Divide: Leveraging Public Housing Technology</b>  Presenter: Heath Shatouhy, Chief Commercial Officer, Homes4Good	Hiro Room

## Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Time	Item	Room
6:30 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast	Sierra Ballroom
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Attendee Registration & Badge Pick-up	Coatroom
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Elders Lounge Open	Board Room
<b>8:00 am – 11:15am</b>	<b>General Session</b>	<b>Sierra Ballroom</b>
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tradeshow Open	Sierra Ballroom AB
11:20 am – 12:20 pm	Lunch	Sierra Courtyard
<b>12:30 pm – 2:00 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 3</b>	

Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Phased Developments: Yavapai-Apache Nation Tunlii Neighborhood</b>  Presenters: Meaghan Hosterman, Project Manager, Travois  Sharie Benson, Executive Director, Yavapai-Apache Nation Tribal Housing	Salon 6A
Construction Cost Impact	<b>Leveraging Resources While Thinking Outside the Box</b>  Presenters: Patricia MacDonald, Chief Operation Officer, Interior Regional Housing Authority  Constance Reimer-Ely, Tribal Development Manager, Interior Regional Housing Authority	Salon 6B
Innovations in Housing	<b>Breaking Barriers, Building Futures</b>  Presenter: Mytegia Lee, Executive Director, SWNAC	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	<b>Supporting Your Housing Programs</b>  Presenter: Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority  Priest Martinez, Empowerment and Supportive Service Manager, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority	Mandarin B
Innovations in Housing	<b>Low-Income Housing Tax Credits Overview</b>  Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance & Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC	Club Room
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<b>Uncovering the Roots: Financial Trauma in Tribal Communities</b>  Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Title VI Loan Program: Misunderstood and Underutilized</b>  Presenter: Nancy Bainbridge, EVP/Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Department, Chickasaw Community Bank	Sierra Suite

Innovations in Housing	<b>National Summit on Native Homeowner and Homelessness Planning Committee - Session 1 Homelessness</b>  Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks  Joanna Donohoe, Partner, Seven Sisters Community Development Group, LLC	Hiro Room
<b>2:10 pm – 3:40 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 4</b>	
<b>Track Type</b>	<b>Session Title</b>	<b>Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Embracing Wellness: Practical Tools for Tribal Housing Professionals</b>  Presenters: Brooke Warrington, Training & Development Specialist, Seminole Tribe of Florida Native Learning Center  Georgette Smith, Executive Director, Seminole Tribe of Florida Native Learning Center	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Building Trust Within Communities</b>  Presenters: Crystal Banks-Mann, Training Coordinator, Travois	Salon 6B
Resiliency Planning	<b>Natural Hazards and Risk Mitigation in Tribal Communities</b>  Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	<b>Healing Financial Trauma in Housing Authority Teams</b>  Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Mandarin B
Innovations in Housing	<b>Navigating the Non-Intercourse Act and Title Companies</b>  Presenter: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe  Katherine McComie, Associate, Buchalter	Orchid Room

Innovations in Housing	<b>Innovations and Changes in LIHTC Program</b>  Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance & Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training & Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<b>National Summit on Native Homeowner and Homelessness Planning Committee - Session 2 Homeownership</b>  Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks  Joanna Donohoe, Partner, Seven Sisters Community Development Group, LLC	Hiro Room
<b>3:50 pm – 5:20 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 5</b>	
<b>Track Type</b>	<b>Session Title</b>	<b>Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Master Planning for Native Communities by Natives</b>  Presenter: Lucas Eastwood, Principle, Eastwood Development	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Tenant Relations - A Skills-Building Workshop</b>  Presenter: Joseph Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants	Salon 6B
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<b>Construction Monitoring is the Key</b>  Jeffrey J. Anger II, Senior Technology Manager, Wipfli Kevin Molloy, Industry Advancement Manager, Procore Technologies	Mandarin A
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<b>Strong Credit, Strong Future: Tools for Housing Practitioners</b>  Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Mandarin B

Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Increasing Homeownership through CDFIs: Coalition Building Midwest Style</b>  Presenters: Fern Orie, Chief Executive Officer, Wisconsin Indigenous Housing and Economic Development Corporation  Becky Albert, Executive Director, Cedar Growth/First Nations Community Financial  Allyssa Verstoppen, Executive Director, Woodland Financial Partners	Club Room
Innovations in Housing	<b>New Markets Tax Credits: For Housing? Yes!</b>  Presenter: Adam Rose, Director of Partnerships and Growth, Travois	Orchid
Innovations in Housing	<b>Supportive Housing: A solution to ending homelessness</b>  Presenters: Zoe LeBeau, CEO, Beauxsimone Consulting  Katie Symons, CFO, Beauxsimone Consulting	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<b>Wraparound Services and Housing Modeled in THHAP</b>  Presenter: Liz Hernandez, Tribal Program Manager, California Coalition for Rural Housing  Rachel Veiga, Housing Director, Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria  Vevila Blossoming Bear, Tribal Liaison, California Interagency Council on Homelessness	Hiro Room



## Thursday, May 29, 2025

Time	Item	Room
6:30 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast	Sierra CD Lobby
7:30 am – 12:30 pm	Elders Lounge Open	Board Room
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Attendee Registration & Badge Pick-up	Coatroom
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Tradeshow Open	Sierra Ballroom AB
<b>8:00 am – 9:30 am</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 6</b>	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Environmental Contamination from Fentanyl and Methamphetamine Use</b>  Presenter: Sean Simmons, CEO, A&D Specialists / PHASER	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Navigating Investor &amp; HFA LIHTC Requirements</b>  Presenters: Kari Hutchison, Compliance Manager, Travois Asset Management & Compliance Delfina Ortiz, Senior Compliance Specialist, Travois Asset Management & Compliance Amanda Allen, Asset Manager, Travois Asset Management & Compliance	Salon 6B
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<b>Title Insurance in Indian Country</b>  Presenter: Sarah Lawson, Attorney, Schwabe Megan Powell, Underwriter, National Tribal Title Services	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	<b>Building Stronger Teams in Tribal Housing Authorities</b>  Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Mandarin B
Innovations in Housing	<b>Revolutionizing Tribal Housing with Digital Tools for Management</b>  Presenter: Dustin Monroe, Intertribal Software Sales Consultant, Intertribal Software	Club Room

Innovations in Housing	<b>Creating Tribal Land Conveyance Policies and Land Records</b>  Presenters: Denise Zuni, Owner/Attorney, Sh'eh Wheel Law Offices, PC	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Dealing with Stress and Job Burnout</b>  Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<b>Bi' du Khaale Community, A New Beginning.</b>  Presenter: Dave Cade, Director of Housing, Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians Nitumigaabow Champagne, Consultant, Grand River David Smith-Ferri, Community Development Director, Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians	Hiro Room
<b>9:40 am – 11:10 am</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 7</b>	
<b>Track Type</b>	<b>Session Title</b>	<b>Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Leading with Teamwork and Determination–WHA LIHTC Study</b>  Presenters: Martin Montgomery, Executive Director, Washoe Housing Authority Abby Day, Project Manager, Travois	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Enhancing Tribal Housing Development through THE Academy</b>  Presenter: Rachel Veiga, Housing Director, Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria Erika Holzhauer, Assistant Director, Housing, Rural Community Assistance Corporation	Salon 6B
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<b>Financial Readiness for Sustainable Homeownership</b>  Presenter: Sohan Shah, President, National Finance and Economics Collective Ray Chang, Vice President of Curriculum, National Finance and Economics Collective	Mandarin A

Resiliency Planning	<b>Centering Staff Wellness in Tribal Housing Operations</b>  Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners	<b>Mandarin B</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Advancing Data Housing Accessibility in the Navajo Nation</b>  Presenters: Crystal Cook, Director, Tribal Housing Research, Diné College	<b>Club Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>VA Native American Direct Loan Benefit</b>  James Lewis, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  Craig Filbeck, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	<b>Orchid</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<b>Maximizing Your Tribal HUD VASH Program</b>  Presenters: Brigid Korce, Consultant, BeauxSimone Consulting  Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training & Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC	<b>Sierra Suite</b>
Innovations in Housing	<b>Braiding Resources: You Can Do It!</b>  Presenter: Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority  Lihbin Shiao, Principal, Mosaic Urban Development  Dave Cade, Housing Director, Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians  James Cisneros, Housing Director, Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<b>11:30 am – 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Closing Plenary Session</b>	<b>Sierra Ballroom CD</b>
12:30 pm	Trade Show Closes (Exhibitors/Arts and Crafts move-out)	Sierra Ballroom AB
12:30 pm	Adjourn the 2025 NAIHC Annual Convention	Sierra Ballroom CD