



# National American Indian Housing Council

2025 Annual Convention and Tradeshow

Hilton Universal – Universal City, CA

## Monday, May 26, 2025

Time	Item	Room
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Elders Lounge Open	Press Room
9:00 am -11:00 am	Local Community Engagement Activity	TBD
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Attendee Registration Open	Coatroom
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	EDA Session: 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	Sierra Ballroom
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Welcome Reception	

## Tuesday, May 27, 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	Press Room
<b>8:00 am – 12:30 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
12:30 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	<p><b>Using Program Income to Expand Services</b></p> <p>Presenter: Christine Dennis, Owner, Tribal Consulting Resources, PLLC</p>	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Flipping the Mindset: Housing as Community Wellness Asset</b></p> <p>Presenters: Alec Tiger, Organizational &amp; Tribal Planning Consultant, Headwater People Colleen Echohawk, President, Headwater People</p>	Salon 6B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Leveraging Data-Driven Partnerships to Meet Tribal Housing Need</b></p> <p>Presenters: Kevin Klingbeil, Managing Director, Big Water Consulting, LLC Harris Fitch, Research Associate, Big Water Consulting, LLC</p>	Mandarin A
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<p><b>Empowering Tribal Housing Entities through Green Energy Investments</b></p> <p>Presenter: Doug Kolker, Partner, Wipfli LLP Jonathan D. Stowers, Green Summit Engineering</p>	Mandarin B
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<p><b>Building a Homeownership Action Plan - Part 1</b></p> <p>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</p>	Club Room
Resiliency Planning	<p><b>49 Years of Tribal-State Collaboration</b></p> <p>Presenter: Corey Strong, Tribal Liaison, Minnesota Housing</p>	Orchid
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Using State Housing Dollars to Fund Supportive Housing</b></p> <p>Presenters: Zoe LeBeau, CEO, Beauxsimone Consulting Alston Turtle, Vice Chairman, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe Katie Symons, CFO, Beauxsimone Consulting</p>	Sierra Suite

Innovations in Housing	<p><b>The Rights of Tribes to Convey Fee Lands</b></p> <p>Presenters: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe</p> <p>Katherine McComic, Associate, Buchalter</p>	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<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	<p><b>Tackling Workforce Development Through Quality Affordable Modular Housing</b></p> <p>Presenters: Nelson Brown, Chief Learning Officer, Idea'l Institute</p> <p>Brandi Grindstaff, Chief Community Outreach Officer, Idea'l Institute</p>	<b>Salon 6A</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Risk Control and Housing Resiliency</b></p> <p>Presenter: Tim Leech, First Vice President, Tribal First</p>	<b>Salon 6B</b>
Construction Cost Impact	<p><b>Hoopa Elders' Place: Affordable Homes &amp; Community</b></p> <p>Presenters: Trent Rogers, Director of Housing Development, Travois</p> <p>Darcy Padilla, Executive Director, Hoopa Valley Housing Authority</p>	<b>Mandarin A</b>
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<p><b>Raising Funds for Housing Programs Amid Federal Cuts</b></p> <p>Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl &amp; Co. LLC - Management Consultants</p> <p>Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority</p>	<b>Mandarin B</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Aligning State Funding with Tribal Housing Goals</b></p> <p>Presenters: Tim Mahern-Macias, Agency Tribal Liaison, Oregon Housing and Community Services</p> <p>Judy Hui-Pasquini, Senior Tribal and Rural Policy Analyst, Oregon Housing and Community Services</p>	<b>Club Room</b>

	<p><b>Building a Homeownership Action Plan - Part 2</b></p> <p>Presenters: Juel Burnette, Branch Manager, 1<sup>st</sup> Tribal Lending Denise Zuni, Attorney, Sh'eh Wheef Law Offices</p>	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>HUD 184: Most Underutilized Program – Borrowers Tribes/TDHEs</b></p> <p>Presenter: Nancy Bainbridge, EVP/Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Department, Chickasaw Community Bank</p>	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Bridging the Digital Divide: Leveraging Public Housing Technology</b></p> <p>Presenter: Heath Shatouhy, Chief Commercial Officer, Homes4Good</p>	Hiro Room

## Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Time	Item	Room
6:30 am – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	TBD
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Attendee Registration & Badge Pick-up	TBD
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Elders Lounge Open	
<b>8:00 am – 11:00 am</b>	<b>General Session</b>	<b>Sierra Ballroom</b>
11:10 am – 12:20 pm	Lunch	TBD
<b>12:30 pm – 2:00 pm</b>	<b>Breakout Session Block 3</b>	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Phased Developments: Yavapai-Apache Nation Tunlii Neighborhood</b></p> <p>Presenters: Meaghan Hosterman, Project Manager, Travois Sharie Benson, Executive Director, Yavapai-Apache Nation Tribal Housing</p>	Salon 6A
Construction Cost Impact	<b>Leveraging Resources While Thinking Outside the Box</b>	Salon 6B

	<p>Presenters: Patricia MacDonald, Chief Operation Officer, Interior Regional Housing Authority</p> <p>Constance Reimer-Ely, Tribal Development Manager, Interior Regional Housing Authority</p>	
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Breaking Barriers, Building Futures</b></p> <p>Presenter: Mytegia Lee, Executive Director, SWNAC</p>	<b>Mandarin A</b>
Resiliency Planning	<p><b>Supporting Your Housing Programs</b></p> <p>Presenter: Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority</p> <p>Priest Martinez, Empowerment and Supportive Service Manager, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority</p>	<b>Mandarin B</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Low-Income Housing Tax Credits Overview</b></p> <p>Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance &amp; Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p>	<b>Club Room</b>
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<p><b>Uncovering the Roots: Financial Trauma in Tribal Communities</b></p> <p>Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC</p>	<b>Orchid</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Title VI Loan Program: Misunderstood and Underutilized</b></p> <p>Presenter: Nancy Bainbridge, EVP/Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Department, Chickasaw Community Bank</p>	<b>Sierra Suite</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Neighborworks Update</b></p> <p>Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks</p>	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<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>	<b>Salon 6A</b>

	<p>Presenters: Brooke Warrington, Training &amp; Development Specialist, Seminole Tribe of Florida Native Learning Center</p> <p>Georgette Smith, Executive Director, Seminole Tribe of Florida Native Learning Center</p>	
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Building Trust Within Communities</b></p> <p>Presenters: Crystal Banks-Mann, Training Coordinator, Travois</p>	<b>Salon 6B</b>
Resiliency Planning	<p><b>Natural Hazards and Risk Mitigation in Tribal Communities</b></p> <p>Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners</p>	<b>Mandarin A</b>
Resiliency Planning	<p><b>Healing Financial Trauma in Housing Authority Teams</b></p> <p>Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC</p>	<b>Mandarin B</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Energy Access All Across Indian Country</b></p> <p>Presenter: David Conrad, Acting Director, Office of Indian Energy, U.S. Department of Energy</p>	<b>Club Room</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Navigating the Non-Intercourse Act and Title Companies</b></p> <p>Presenter: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe</p> <p>Katherine McComic, Associate, Buchalter</p>	<b>Orchid Room</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Innovations and Changes in LIHTC Program</b></p> <p>Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance &amp; Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p> <p>Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training &amp; Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p>	<b>Sierra Suite</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Neighborworks Update</b></p> <p>Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks</p>	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<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	<p><b>Master Planning for Native Communities by Natives</b></p> <p>Presenter: Lucas Eastwood, Principle, Eastwood Development</p>	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Tenant Relations - A Skills-Building Workshop</b></p> <p>Presenter: Joseph Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl &amp; Co. LLC - Management Consultants</p>	Salon 6B
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	<p><b>Construction Monitoring is the Key</b></p> <p>Jeffrey J. Anger II, Senior Technology Manager, Wipfli Kevin Molloy, Industry Advancement Manager, Procore Technologies</p>	Mandarin A
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<p><b>Strong Credit, Strong Future: Tools for Housing Practitioners</b></p> <p>Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC</p>	Mandarin B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Increasing Homeownership through CDFIs: Coalition Building Midwest Style</b></p> <p>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</p>	Club Room
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>New Markets Tax Credits: For Housing? Yes!</b></p> <p>Presenter: Adam Rose, Director of Partnerships and Growth, Travois</p>	Orchid
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Supportive Housing: A solution to ending homelessness</b></p> <p>Presenters: Zoe LeBeau, CEO, Beauxsimone Consulting Katie Symons, CFO, Beauxsimone Consulting</p>	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Wraparound Services and Housing Modeled in THHAP</b></p>	Hiro Room

Presenter: Liz Hernandez, Tribal Program Manager,  
California Coalition for Rural Housing

Rachel Veiga, Housing Director, Cher-Ae Heights  
Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria

## Thursday, May 29, 2025

Time	Item	Room
6:30 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast	TBD
7:30 am – 12:30 pm	Elders Lounge Open	
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Attendee Registration & Badge Pick-up	
<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	<b>Salon 6A</b>
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 Management, Travois Asset Management & Compliance	<b>Salon 6B</b>
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	<b>Mandarin A</b>
Resiliency Planning	<b>Building Stronger Teams in Tribal Housing Authorities</b>	<b>Mandarin B</b>

	Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	
Innovations in Housing	<b>Revolutionizing Tribal Housing with Digital Tools for Management</b>  Presenter: Dustin Monroe, Intertribal Software Sales Consultant, Intertribal Software	<b>Club Room</b>
Innovations in Housing	<b>Creating Tribal Land Conveyance Policies and Land Records</b>  Presenters: Denise Zuni, Owner/Attorney, Sh'eh Wheel Law Offices, PC	<b>Orchid</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Dealing with Stress and Job Burnout  Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants	<b>Sierra Suite</b>
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	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<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	<b>Salon 6A</b>
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	<b>Salon 6B</b>

Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	<p><b>Financial Readiness for Sustainable Homeownership</b></p> <p>Presenter: Sohan Shah, President, National Finance and Economics Collective</p> <p>Ray Chang, Vice President of Curriculum, National Finance and Economics Collective</p>	<b>Mandarin A</b>
Resiliency Planning	<p><b>Centering Staff Wellness in Tribal Housing Operations</b></p> <p>Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners</p>	<b>Mandarin B</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Advancing Data Housing Accessibility in the Navajo Nation</b></p> <p>Presenters: Crystal Cook, Director, Tribal Housing Research, Diné College</p>	<b>Club Room</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>VA Native American Direct Loan Benefit</b></p> <p>James Lewis, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs</p> <p>Craig Filbeck, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs</p>	<b>Orchid</b>
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p><b>Maximizing Your Tribal HUD VASH Program</b></p> <p>Presenters: Brigid Korce, Consultant, BeauxSimone Consulting</p> <p>Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training &amp; Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p>	<b>Sierra Suite</b>
Innovations in Housing	<p><b>Braiding Resources: You Can Do It!</b></p> <p>Presenter: Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority</p> <p>Lihbin Shiao, Principal, Mosaic Urban Development</p> <p>Dave Cade, Housing Director, Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians</p> <p>James Cisneros, Housing Director, Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians</p>	<b>Hiro Room</b>
<b>11:30 am – 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Closing Plenary Session</b>	<b>Sierra Ballroom</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