



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
8:00 am – 12:30 pm	Opening General Session/Members Meeting	Sierra Ballroom CD
9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tradeshow Open	Sierra Ballroom AB
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	Sierra Ballroom
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	Breakout Session Block 1	Various Rooms
Track Type	Session Title	Room

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

Innovations in Housing	The Rights of Tribes to Convey Fee Lands Presenters: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe Katherine McComie, Associate, Buchalter	Hiro Room
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Breakout Sessions Block 2	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Tackling Workforce Development Through Quality Affordable Modular Housing 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	Risk Control and Housing Resiliency Presenter: Tim Leech, First Vice President, Tribal First	Salon 6B
Construction Cost Impact	Hoopa Elders' Place: Affordable Homes & Community 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	Raising Funds for Housing Programs Amid Federal Cuts Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants Moriah McGill, Deputy Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority	Mandarin B
Innovations in Housing	Aligning State Funding with Tribal Housing Goals 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	Club Room

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

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

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

	Presenters: Patricia MacDonald, Chief Operation Officer, Interior Regional Housing Authority Constance Reimer-Ely, Tribal Development Manager, Interior Regional Housing Authority	
Innovations in Housing	Breaking Barriers, Building Futures Presenter: Mytegia Lee, Executive Director, SWNAC	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	Supporting Your Housing Programs 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	Low-Income Housing Tax Credits Overview Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance & Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC	Club Room
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	Uncovering the Roots: Financial Trauma in Tribal Communities Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Title VI Loan Program: Misunderstood and Underutilized Presenter: Nancy Bainbridge, EVP/Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Department, Chickasaw Community Bank	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	Neighborworks Update Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks	Hiro Room
2:10 pm – 3:40 pm	Breakout Session Block 4	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Embracing Wellness: Practical Tools for Tribal Housing Professionals	Salon 6A

	<p>Presenters: Brooke Warrington, Training & 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>Building Trust Within Communities</p> <p>Presenters: Crystal Banks-Mann, Training Coordinator, Travois</p>	Salon 6B
Resiliency Planning	<p>Natural Hazards and Risk Mitigation in Tribal Communities</p> <p>Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners</p>	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	<p>Healing Financial Trauma in Housing Authority Teams</p> <p>Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC</p>	Mandarin B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	<p>Energy Access All Across Indian Country</p> <p>Presenter: David Conrad, Acting Director, Office of Indian Energy, U.S. Department of Energy</p>	Club Room
Innovations in Housing	<p>Navigating the Non-Intercourse Act and Title Companies</p> <p>Presenter: Ray Martin, Of Counsel, Buchalter/Karuk Tribe</p> <p>Katherine McComic, Associate, Buchalter</p>	Orchid Room
Innovations in Housing	<p>Innovations and Changes in LIHTC Program</p> <p>Presenters: Lorna Fogg, Vice-President, Finance & Development, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p> <p>Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training & Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC</p>	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	<p>Neighborworks Update</p> <p>Presenter: Mellor Willie, Director of Native Partnerships and Strategy, Neighborworks</p>	Hiro Room
3:50 pm – 5:20 pm	Breakout Session Block 5	
Track Type	Session Title	Room

Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Master Planning for Native Communities by Natives Presenter: Lucas Eastwood, Principle, Eastwood Development	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Tenant Relations - A Skills-Building Workshop Presenter: Joseph Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants	Salon 6B
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	Construction Monitoring is the Key Jeffrey J. Anger II, Senior Technology Manager, Wipfli Kevin Molloy, Industry Advancement Manager, Procore Technologies	Mandarin A
Preparing Citizens for Homeownership Success	Strong Credit, Strong Future: Tools for Housing Practitioners Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	Mandarin B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Increasing Homeownership through CDFIs: Coalition Building Midwest Style 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	New Markets Tax Credits: For Housing? Yes! Presenter: Adam Rose, Director of Partnerships and Growth, Travois	Orchid
Innovations in Housing	Supportive Housing: A solution to ending homelessness Presenters: Zoe LeBeau, CEO, Beauxsimone Consulting Katie Symons, CFO, Beauxsimone Consulting	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	Wraparound Services and Housing Modeled in THHAP	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	
8:00 am – 9:30 am	Breakout Session Block 6	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Environmental Contamination from Fentanyl and Methamphetamine Use Presenter: Sean Simmons, CEO, A&D Specialists / PHASER	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Navigating Investor & HFA LIHTC Requirements 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	Salon 6B
Navigating Potential Reductions in Federal Funding for Tribal Programs	Title Insurance in Indian Country Presenter: Sarah Lawson, Attorney, Schwabe Megan Powell, Underwriter, National Tribal Title Services	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	Building Stronger Teams in Tribal Housing Authorities	Mandarin B

	Presenter: Lanelle Smith, Owner, Blacksheep Insight Consulting and Coaching, LLC	
Innovations in Housing	Revolutionizing Tribal Housing with Digital Tools for Management Presenter: Dustin Monroe, Intertribal Software Sales Consultant, Intertribal Software	Club Room
Innovations in Housing	Creating Tribal Land Conveyance Policies and Land Records Presenters: Denise Zuni, Owner/Attorney, Sh'eh Wheef Law Offices, PC	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Dealing with Stress and Job Burnout Presenter: Joe Diehl, Managing Director, Diehl & Co. LLC - Management Consultants	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	Bi' du Khaale Community, A New Beginning. 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
9:40 am – 11:10 am	Breakout Session Block 7	
Track Type	Session Title	Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Leading with Teamwork and Determination—WHA LIHTC Study Presenters: Martin Montgomery, Executive Director, Washoe Housing Authority Abby Day, Project Manager, Travois	Salon 6A
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Enhancing Tribal Housing Development through THE Academy 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	Financial Readiness for Sustainable Homeownership Presenter: Sohan Shah, President, National Finance and Economics Collective Ray Chang, Vice President of Curriculum, National Finance and Economics Collective	Mandarin A
Resiliency Planning	Centering Staff Wellness in Tribal Housing Operations Presenters: Jeremiah Powless, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners	Mandarin B
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Advancing Data Housing Accessibility in the Navajo Nation Presenters: Crystal Cook, Director, Tribal Housing Research, Diné College	Club Room
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	VA Native American Direct Loan Benefit James Lewis, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Craig Filbeck, NADL Coordinator, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	Orchid
Aligning Housing with Community Needs	Maximizing Your Tribal HUD VASH Program Presenters: Brigid Korce, Consultant, BeauxSimone Consulting Robin Thorne, Vice President and Training & Asset Management, RTHawk Housing Alliance LLC	Sierra Suite
Innovations in Housing	Braiding Resources: You Can Do It! 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	Hiro Room
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Closing Plenary Session	Sierra Ballroom

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