



COSCDA 2010

Sacramento, California

Council Of State Community Development Agencies

Annual Training Conference

September 12 - 15, 2010

Sunday	September 12
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<p>Board Meeting <i>Beavis Meeting Room</i></p> <p>Open to all conference attendees.</p>
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	<p>Registration <i>Camellia Foyer</i></p>
10:00 a.m. – noon	<p>Complying with HUD's Section 3 Requirements – Part II <i>Camellia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Participate in a follow up discussion from COSCDA's 2010 Program Managers Meeting with HUD Headquarters staff on changes being considered to the Section 3 program which requires certain HUD grantees to extend training, employment and contracting opportunities to low and very-income persons.</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Rafiq Munir, Program Analyst, Economic Opportunity (Section 3) Division, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD Headquarters) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Gail Hammond, COSCDA's Board Member and Director, Office of Community Renewal, NYS Housing Trust Fund Corporation
Noon – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (On your own)

<p>1:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.</p>	<p>State Housing Trust Funds <i>Camellia Ballroom</i></p> <p>While the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund continues to look for a source of revenue, States implementing their own Funds find seeking a dedicated source of funding is a prime political issue. Attend this session to hear how 3 states have tackled it, but with an overview of other states as well. Also, discussion of programs funded by Trust Funds.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Judy Nevis, Special Assistant to Director Lynn Jacobs, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Brooke Boston, Deputy Executive Director of Community Based Programs, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs ♦ Pat Compton, Housing Development Specialist, Nebraska Department of Economic Development <p>Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Judy Nevis, Special Assistant to Director Lynn Jacobs, California Department of Housing and Community Development
<p>2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Networking, Phone and Blackberry Break</p>
<p>2:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Transit Oriented Development & Sustainable Communities <i>Camellia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Learn the latest in efforts to promote Sustainable Communities through Transit-Oriented Development. Hear a discussion of California’s Regional Blueprint Program, which supports multi-agency partnerships to promote sustainable development. This collaborative planning process engages residents of a region in articulating a vision for the future development of alternative growth scenarios of their region. The State of Maryland will also provide an overview of their TOD efforts.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Linda Wheaton, Housing Policy Specialist, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Eugene Lee, Chief, Infill Infrastructure and Transit-Oriented Development Housing Section, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Craig Morrow, Program Manager, Transit-Oriented Development Housing Section, California Department of Housing and Community Development

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ John Greiner, COSCDA's Board Member – Treasurer and Housing Policy Officer, Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Allison Brooks, Chief of Staff, Reconnecting America, Oakland, California <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Linda Wheaton, Housing Policy Specialist, California Department of Housing and Community Development
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p>Introduction to COSCDA - Organizational Overview <i>Beavis Meeting Room</i></p> <p>First time conference attendees and COSCDA regulars are invited to meet the COSCDA board, staff and committee chairpersons to learn more about the organization.</p>
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<p>Self-Guided Tour - Old Sacramento for attendees not attending Organization Overview</p>
6:00 p.m.	<p>Dinner on your own</p>
Monday	September 13
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<p>Continental Breakfast <i>Gardenia Ballroom Foyer</i></p>
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p>Registration <i>Gardenia Ballroom Foyer</i></p>
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<p>Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Welcoming Remarks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Lynn Jacobs, Director, California Department of Housing and Community Development <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Richard Ballard, COSCDA's President, and the Director, Office of Community Development, Michigan State Housing Development Authority
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	<p>Keynote Address <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p>

	<p>HUD's Region IX Administrator will provide a broad policy overview for CDBG, HOME and Homeless Assistance programs along with other compliance related updates that HUD is undertaking in the coming year.</p> <p>Speaker: Ophelia B. Basgal, Regional Administrator, Region IX, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Chris Westlake, COSCDA's Board Member and the Deputy Director, Division of Financial Assistance, California Department of Housing & Community Development
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	<p>Neighborhood Stabilization Program/Foreclosure Prevention <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Hear from the panel on NSP 1 and NSP 2 lessons learned, monitoring, fraud prevention, and preparation for NSP 3. Share your state's foreclosure prevention strategies and hear from Pennsylvania on their successful HEMAP program.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Lori Toia, Manager of Loans, Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency ♦ Karen Patterson, NSP Manager, California Department of Housing & Community Development ♦ Dionne Roberts, Vice President & NSP-TA Manager, Training and Development Associates, Oakland, CA ♦ Rebecca Blanco, Neighborhood Stabilization Program Specialist, San Francisco HUD Field Office, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Karen Patterson, NSP Manager, California Department of Housing & Community Development
11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Networking, Phone and Blackberry Break

<p>11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Legislative and Regulatory Update <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Jane DeMarines, Senior Director, Public Affairs and Education, COSCDA Staff ♦ Linda Thompson, Senior Director, Advocacy and Federal Programs, COSCDA Staff <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Dianne Taylor, COSCDA's Executive Director
<p>11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.</p>	<p>COSCDA Awards Luncheon <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>The Winner of COSCDA's Awards will be recognized during the Luncheon.</p>
<p>1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Concurrent Sessions</p> <p>Community Development: <i>Energy Efficient Redevelopment of Main Street & California's Green Building Code</i> <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Hear updates on California's new state Green Building Code, as well as how energy efficiency is being incorporated in development for mixed use in downtown and main street corridors.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Doug Hensel, Assistant Deputy Director, Division of Codes and Standards, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Julia Prange, Assistant Program Officer, Green Development Center, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) ♦ Doug Harsany, President and Green Building Consultant, Harsany & Associates, LLC <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Doug Hensel, Assistant Deputy Director, Division of Codes and Standards, California Department of Housing and Community Development <hr/>

	<p>Housing: <i>State Required Housing Planning, such as California’s Housing Element Law.</i> <i>Beavis Meeting Room</i></p> <p>Not all states require housing planning, but hear Best Practices in Planning, from those that do and those that don’t, including framing the issues that lead to development of a housing plan.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Cathy Creswell, Deputy Director, Division of Housing Policy Development, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Naomi Trejo, Administrator, Housing Resource Center, Texas Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Iris Payne, NSP Coordinator, Division of Community Assistance, North Carolina Department of Commerce <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Cathy Creswell, Deputy Director, Division of Housing Policy Development, California Department of Housing and Community Development <hr/> <p>Homelessness: <i>State Funding Programs for Supportive Housing</i> <i>Bondi Meeting Room</i></p> <p>Hear an update of Supportive Housing issues across the country and in California, and tips for operating or creating Supportive Housing in your state. Share your state’s successes and challenges.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Anne Cory, Director, Northern California Programs Corporation for Supportive Housing ♦ Russ Schmunk, Assistant Deputy Director California Department of Housing & Community Development ♦ Kathy Weremiuk, Chief, Multifamily Programs California Housing Finance Agency <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Russ Schmunk, Assistant Deputy Director California Department of Housing & Community Development
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Networking, Phone and Blackberry Break

<p>3:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.</p>	<p>COSFDA Committee Meetings</p> <p>All conference participants are encouraged to attend the committee meeting of their choice. COSFDA committees meetings play an integral part in shaping the organizational policy.</p> <p>Community Development Committee <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>The Committee will be briefed on legislative and policy issues impacting the CDBG program, appropriations and other community development related issues, and will discuss COSFDA’s policy direction for the coming year.</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ James P. McCann, Community Development Specialist, State and Small Cities Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) <p>Housing Committee <i>Beavis Meeting Room</i></p> <p>The Committee will be briefed on legislative and policy issues impacting the HOME program and other housing programs, appropriations, and discuss COSFDA’s policy direction for the coming year.</p> <p>Homelessness Committee <i>Bondi Meeting Room</i></p> <p>The Committee will be briefed on legislative and policy issues impacting federal homelessness programs, appropriations and discuss COSFDA policy direction for the coming year.</p>
<p>6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>The Maine Event – COSFDA’s Presidential Reception and Dinner California State Rotunda (courtesy of the State of Maine)</p> <p>COSFDA will highlight the 20th Anniversary of the HOME Program with a slide show of State funded HOME projects and what is a celebration without a cake!!!!</p>

Tuesday	September 14
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<p>Continental Breakfast</p>
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<p>Economic Development Roundtable <i>Williams Board Room</i></p> <p>Attendees will have an opportunity to meet with other Economic Development professionals for facilitated conversation to discuss how CDBG is used in these difficult economic times.</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Mimi Kawaguchi Bettencourt, Program Manager, California Department of Housing and Community Development
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<p>Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>Staff from HUD’s Region IX Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity will outline the requirements for planning for Fair Housing in communities that receive federal housing and community development funds.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Chuck Hauptman, Director, HUD Region 9 FHEO Office, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) ♦ Jeff Jackson, Chief, Program Compliance Branch, HUD Region 9 FHEO Office, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Cathy Creswell, Deputy Director, Division of Housing Policy Development, California Department of Housing and Community Development
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<p>Member Services Committee <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>This meeting is for you! The Member Services Committee will discuss issues of importance to COSCDA member organizations. Here is your opportunity to tell COSCDA how to best address your professional development, organizational and information needs. All conference attendees are strongly encouraged to attend. The COSCDA Representative from each state must be in attendance to cast their vote. The newly created Training and Professional Development Committee chairman will also give a report during this session.</p>

	<p>Additionally, COSCDA award winners receiving the Sterling Achievement Award and President's Award for Innovation will briefly present their program or project.</p> <p>Presiding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Steve Charleston, Chairman Member Services Committee and the CRD Division Deputy Director, Nebraska Department of Economic Development
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	<p>Networking, Phone and Blackberry Break</p>
10:45 a.m. - Noon	<p>Concurrent Sessions</p> <p>Community Development: <i>Public Improvements in Very Low Income Neighborhoods</i> <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p><i>Join your colleagues as they discuss how federal and state funds are used in very low income, rural neighborhoods.</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Homer Cabello, Director of Office of Colonia Initiatives, Texas Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Esperanza Malagon Colio, Economic Development Division Manager, Imperial County Planning & Development Services <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Thomas Brandeberry, Section Chief of CDBG Section, California Department of Housing and Community Development <hr/> <p>Housing: <i>Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP), and the Future of Tax Credits</i> <i>Beavis Meeting Room</i></p> <p>TCAP helped save the day for affordable housing deals that were stalled as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit market dried up, and Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac out of the market. How were deals handled, and what is outlook for continuing relief? Will we see a new "Extenders Bill?"</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Bill Pavao, Executive Director, California Tax Credit Allocation Committee ♦ Catherine Racer, COSCDA's Board Member and the Associate Director, Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development

	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Chris Westlake, COSCDA's Board Member and the Deputy Director, Division of Financial Assistance, California Department of Housing and Community Development
	<p>Homelessness - The HEARTH Act and HPRP <i>Bondi Meeting Room</i></p> <p>Share your successful HPRP implementation stories, and hear how CA administers HPRP and is planning for the HEARTH Act regulations.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Sabrina Sassman, Section Chief, Homeless & Housing Assistance Section, California Department of Housing and Community Development ♦ Brooke Boston, Deputy Executive Director of Community Based Programs, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Gordon Walker, COSCDA's Vice President and the Director of Housing and Community Development, Utah Department of Community and Culture
12:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<p>Mobile Workshops & Hosted Lunch and Dinner</p> <p>Please join California's HCD staff on a tour of a variety of housing, economic, community development and homeless assistance projects in Sacramento, West Sacramento, Davis, Woodland, and Winters.</p> <p>Tour includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Sacramento Rail Yards Infill/Transit Oriented Development (in construction) ♦ United Bakery (successful CDBG business loan recipient) ♦ USA Properties/Pacific Communities- Parkside Project ♦ HCD/Yolo County Housing Authority Migrant Center - Seasonal farmworker housing (Lunch) ♦ USA Properties - Terracina Apartments ♦ Community Housing Opportunities Corporation (CHOC) Casa del Sol Mobilehome Park ♦ Yolo Wayfarer Center - Homeless Shelter ♦ Community Housing Opportunities Corporation - Winters II Apartments
5:00 p.m.	Dinner /Reception at Buckhorn Restaurant in Winters

Wednesday	September 15
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<p>Regional Caucus Breakfast Eastern - <i>McGinnis Meeting Room</i> <i>Facilitator: Catherine Racer</i></p> <p>Southern – <i>Royal Meeting Room</i> <i>Facilitator: Basil Julian</i></p> <p>Western – <i>Carr Meeting Room</i> <i>Facilitator: Keith Heaton</i></p> <p>Midwestern – <i>Clark Meeting Room</i> <i>Facilitator: Richard Ballard</i></p> <p>COSCSA members from the four regions will meet to discuss key organizational issues and initiatives and share information on activities within their region. COSCSA members will also elect regional representative to the COSCSA Board of Directors. (The COSCSA Representative from each state must be in attendance at the meeting to cast their vote.)</p>
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	<p>Membership Forum and Business Meeting <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>The Membership Forum and Business Meeting will feature reports from COSCSA's president and the three programmatic committees.</p> <p>This session will also provide an opportunity for members to discuss organizational issues and provide input to the COSCSA Board of Directors. Officers and Board members will be elected. The COSCSA representative from each state must be in attendance to cast their vote. Conference Attendees will also cast their vote for the 2012 site of the Annual Training Conference.</p> <p>Presiding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Richard Ballard, COSCSA's President, and the Director, Office of Community Development, Michigan State Housing Development Authority
9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<p>Networking, Phone and Blackberry Break</p>
10:00 a.m. - Noon	<p>Briefing from Senior HUD Officials <i>Gardenia Ballroom</i></p> <p>HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) Office Directors discuss legislative, regulatory and policy issues affecting HUD's programs and operations of concern to COSCSA members.</p>

	<p>Panelist:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Cliff Taffet, Director, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) ♦ Maria Cremer, Acting Director, Office of Community Planning & Development, San Francisco Regional Office, HUD ♦ Steve Rhodeside, Deputy Director, Office of State and Small Cities, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Gordon Walker, COSCDA's Vice President and the Director of Housing and Community Development, Utah Department of Community and Culture
Noon	Conference Adjourned
Noon – 1:30 p.m.	<p>Board Meeting <i>Carr Meeting Room</i></p> <p>Open to all conference attendees.</p>