

Welcome to the August 2018 E-blast from the **National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA)**. Please share these monthly E-blasts with as many home owners and other interested individuals as you have on your email list. The E-blast is an important way for NMHOA to share exciting news from across the country.

Thank You! – NMHOA is excited to welcome many new and renewing members, including state home owners' association members:

- **Land Lease Homeowners Coalition (LLHC)** from Delaware
- **Delaware Manufactured Home Owners Association (DMHOA)**
- **Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida (FMO)**
- **Nevada Association of Manufactured Home Owners, Inc. (NAMH)**
- **Manufactured Home Owners & Tenants Association of New Hampshire (MOTA-NH)**
- **Association of Manufactured Home Residents in Ohio (AMHRO)**
- **Manufactured Housing/Oregon State Tenants Association (MH/OSTA)**
- **Federation of Rhode Island Manufactured Home Owners (FMHORI)**

We thank you very much for your support and commitment to NMHOA!

HUD Committee Meets to Review Proposed Manufactured Housing Rule Changes

The **Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee (MHCC)** will meet September 11-13 in Washington, D.C. MHCC is a federal advisory committee charged with providing recommendations to the HUD Secretary on manufactured home construction and safety standards and enforcement regulations, including the **Manufactured Home Model Installation Standards, Installation Program Regulations, and Dispute Resolution Program regulations**. MHCC has 21 members divided equally between three categories: users; producers; and general interest/public officials.

This will be the first MHCC meeting of any kind in more than a year-and-a-half. The last meeting by phone was December 2016 and the last in-person meeting was October 2016. Things haven't been quiet at **HUD's Office of Manufactured Housing Programs** during the last year and a half. This meeting is the culmination of a wholesale review of manufactured housing rules ordered in January 2017 and kicked off in January 2018, with a 30-day comment period. A HUD press release described it as "a top-to-bottom review of its manufactured housing rules as part of a broader effort to identify regulations that may be ineffective, overly burdensome, or excessively costly." Industry groups called for this kind of review and even met with top officials like **HUD Secretary, Ben Carson**, to discuss it.

Ahead of this meeting, the Office of Manufactured Housing released:

- 1.) The 250-page "**MHCC Proposed Changes and Deregulation Comments, 2018-2019 Cycle**," available here:
<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/Housing/documents/mhccproposedchanges20172018.pdf>
- 2.) The 390-page "**2018-2019 Cycle Substantiating Documents**," available here:
<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/Housing/documents/2018-19-Proposed-Changes-and-Deregulation-Comments.pdf>

Save the Date for NMHOA's 2018 Annual Convention

Mark your calendars! The National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA) Board of Directors is pleased to announce that its **2018 Annual Convention** will be held on **December 5-6 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Downtown in Nashville, Tennessee**. For those of you living in southeastern states, this will be a particularly good year to attend since the most recent conventions held in the southeast were Virginia in 2012 and Florida in 2005. But, wherever you are from, NMHOA's annual convention is a good time for home owners from across the country to meet together to learn from each other and outside presenters about the best responses to common issues facing manufactured home owners.

Visit our website, **2018 National Convention**, for continuing updates on convention details.

Sign up for the 2018 I'M HOME Conference

The **2018 I'M HOME (Innovations in Manufactured Homes) Conference** will be held December 3-5 in Nashville, Tennessee. Since 2005, the conference has convened a range of stakeholders interested in applying manufactured housing solutions to affordable housing challenges. Check out the newly updated **agenda** for session descriptions and a list of speakers! Expect to learn about policy advocacy, the role of local government in manufactured housing, new research, housing challenges in the Nashville area and more!

Register by September 19 to **take advantage of early bird rates**. The first 100 registrants get a free copy of Esther Sullivan's new book, **Manufactured Insecurity Mobile Home Parks and Americans' Tenuous Right to Place**.

Members only – please keep in mind that NMHOA members receive an additional eblast every month – *i'mPOWERED* – this is an educational publication with useful information related to board governance, health and safety reminders for manufactured homeowners, and other helpful articles. There is also a **Did You Know** section and an **Ask Dave** section – so if you have questions about anything related to manufactured home living and you are a member of NMHOA, please contact Dave at **admin@nmhoa.org** with your burning questions. For your convenience, a membership form is a click away at: **http://www.nmhoa.org/membership.html**

You can read all about NMHOA at the NMHOA webpage: **www.nmhoa.org** and please “like” our facebook page: **http://www.facebook.com/NationalManufacturedHomeOwnersAssociation**

If there are stories or legislative successes from your state you would like to share through our E-blasts, please contact NMHOA Executive Director, Dave Anderson at: david.r.anderson.nmhoa@gmail.com. Your story will inspire and educate others.