
May 2020 E-Blast

Welcome to the May 2020 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. We thank you very much for your support and commitment to NMHOA!

New NMHOA Web Address:
www.manufacturedhomeowners.us

Emergency Rental Assistance

Since the start of the coronavirus pandemic, 40% of households earning less than \$40,000 have lost their jobs. Many families are struggling to pay their rent even with the **Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act** stimulus checks and increased unemployment benefits.

NMHOA is pushing to increase rental assistance and make residents eligible for that assistance, supporting the **Emergency Rental Assistance and Rental Market Stabilization Act** ([S. 3685](#) / [H.R. 6820](#)) to provide \$100 billion in emergency rental assistance, which has now been included in the **Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions Act (HEROES) Act** ([H.R. 6800](#)).

Tenant Protection Notification Act

The **Tenant Protection Notification Act of 2020** ([H.R. 6815](#)) was introduced to protect renters, including manufactured home park residents, from illegal evictions during the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, landlords who own properties that receive federal subsidies or have federally backed mortgages are largely prevented from evicting their residents through the 120-day period following passage of the CARES Act on March 27.

However, the information needed to determine which specific properties are covered is not always available or accessible. The proposal requires federal agencies to provide standardized letter language that landlords must

send to all residents at properties covered by the CARES Act federal eviction moratorium to let them know their rights under the law.

2020 Consumer Assembly

Every year a **Consumer Lobby Day** is jointly organized by Consumer Federation of America, National Consumer Law Center, Americans for Financial Reform, Consumers Union, Public Citizen, US PIRG, and other consumer groups. This year's lobby day was indefinitely postponed, but the event that usually follows it, the **Consumer Assembly**, was held virtually on May 6-7 and included several interesting speakers. You can view videos, materials, and recaps here: <https://consumerfed.org/virtual-consumer-assembly-2020/>

Don't forget about the 2020 Census!

We need all manufactured home park residents to be counted. The data from the census will help determine how federal funds are distributed each year for things like housing assistance, health care, education, and roads, including making sure that park residents aren't left out.

It has never been easier for people to respond from the safety of their homes! During the COVID-19 outbreak, responding now will minimize the need to send census takers door-to-door in our communities to follow up. If you haven't already, **please respond today** by:

- Filling out your form online at my2020census.gov or
- Calling 844-330-2020 (*Phone support is also available in 13 non-English languages. Visit the Census Bureau website to learn more!*)

NMHOA Executive Director is selected as 2020 Bush Fellow

Congratulations to **NMHOA's Executive Director, Dave Anderson**, who has been selected as a **2020 Bush Fellow**! The fellowships are awarded each year by the Bush Foundation, a Minnesota-based organization that offers grants to people in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota to "think bigger and differently about problem solving." This year, Dave was chosen as one of 24 recipients from a pool of 746 applicants. Read more about his experience and vision here: <https://www.bushfoundation.org/fellows/dave-anderson>

(Note: Dave also serves as director of the Minnesota-based organization, All Parks Alliance for Change.)

Stay informed about the Coronavirus

All forms of media are now dominated with information about the coronavirus, but some less reputable sources are spreading incomplete, misleading, false, or even malicious information. Stay informed but make sure that you are relying on reputable sources and, ideally, confirming the information with at least two sources. A couple of the best sources are the [Center for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) and [your own state health department.](#)

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 david.r.anderson.nmhoa@gmail.com with your burning questions. For your convenience, a membership form is a click away at: <http://www.manufacturedhomeowners.us/membership.html>

You can read all about NMHOA at the NMHOA webpage: <http://www.manufacturedhomeowners.us/> 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.



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