

Welcome to the May 2019 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!

### **Manufactured Home Owners Lobby Members of Congress**

Representatives of NMHOA and the state manufactured home owner associations participated in the [3<sup>rd</sup> annual Consumer Lobby Day](#) on May 8 in Washington, D.C. The event was spearheaded by the **Consumer Federation of America**, but was also backed by all the best known national consumer groups.

There was a common focus on a strong and independent **Consumer Financial Protection Bureau**, protections against **predatory lending**, and opposition to **forced arbitration** for consumers. We also supported the introduction of two manufactured housing proposals described below: the **HUD Manufactured Housing Modernization Act of 2019**, and the **Frank Adelman Manufactured Housing Community Sustainability Act**.

The representatives also stayed for the [2019 Consumer Assembly](#) on May 9-10. During the assembly, manufactured housing policy recommendations proposed by NMHOA were added to Consumer Federation of America's policy platform.

### **Proposed Federal to Support Manufactured Home Owners**

**Representative Norma Torres** (D-CA) and **Senator Catherine Cortez Masto** (D-NV) introduced the **HUD Manufactured Housing Modernization Act of 2019** ([H.R. 926](#)). It requires state and local jurisdictions to include manufactured housing in their **Consolidated Plans**. A Consolidated Plan is designed to help state and local governments assess their affordable housing and community development needs. Inclusion in these plans allows projects involving manufactured housing to seek support through federal funding programs, such as **Community Development Block Grant** (CDBG) Program, **HOME Investment Partnerships** (HOME) Program, **Emergency Solutions Grant** (ESG) Program, and **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS** (HOPWA) Program.

**Senator Jeanne Shaheen** (D-NH) and **Representative Ilhan Omar** (D-MN) will re-introduce the **Frank Adelman Manufactured Housing Community Sustainability Act** ([S. 1581](#)) to encourage sale of manufactured home communities to residents. The proposal provides a tax incentive for community owners to sell to their residents. It creates a 75% federal tax credit on the sale of the property. For example, if the owner

sells the land to a resident cooperative, instead of paying \$150,000 on a \$1 million gain, the owner will only pay \$37,500. The proposal is being supported by:

*NMHOA, All Parks Alliance for Change (APAC), Manufactured Home Owners' Association of NJ, Inc., Manufactured Home Owners & Tenants Association of New Hampshire, Manufactured Housing /Oregon State Tenants Association, Nevada Association of Manufactured Home Owners Inc., Fargo Area Park Residents Association, Prosperity Now, Northcountry Cooperative Foundation, Minnesota Housing Partnership, Local Initiatives Support Corporation,*

### **2019 I'M HOME Conference: Registration Now Open**

Registration is now open for the **15th Annual I'M HOME (Innovations in Manufactured Homes) Conference**, which will be held November 18-20 in Portland, Oregon. The annual conference brings together affordable housing developers, lenders, policy makers, industry experts, homeowners, community organizers and more. Last year's conference in Nashville was the largest to-date with almost 250 attendees.

[Register now](#) to take advantage of the discounted early bird rates! Check back soon for updates on sessions and speakers. Have a topic you want covered this year? [Send your idea for a session or lightning talk!](#)

Want to learn more about the I'M HOMEConference?

- [2018 I'm HOME Conference Materials](#)(including attendees, handouts and presentations)
- [Recap of last year's conference](#)
- [Tennessee's Housing Authority looks back at the 2018 conference](#)

**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](mailto: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](http://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***

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