National Manufactured Home Owners Association

January 2024 E-Blast

Welcome to the January 2024 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 yo very much for your support and commitment to NMHOA!

Action by Congress and President keeps government running through March 1, Urge Congress to support the PRICE Program

On January 18, **Congress** passed and **President Biden** signed another short-term continuing resolution (CR) that will extend funding for the federal government through March 1, at which point Congress will need to finalize its 2024 spending bills, pass another CR, or face a partial shutdown of the federal government.

We are particularly concerned about funding for **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs** – including the **Preservation and Reinvestment Initiative fo Community Enhancement (PRICE) Program**. The **PRICE Program** is the first and only fede program with funding dedicated to preserving and improving manufactured home park communities and the 8.5 million families who call them home.

The funds are available for a variety of uses with the primary purpose being to bring communit infrastructure up to code. Infrastructure improvements can include upgrading water, sewer, septic and electric systems, and repairing roads, storm water drainage and sidewalks. Funds a also available for resident community purchases, eviction prevention, relocation assistance, upgrading or adding storm shelters, and home improvements, such as removing abandoned a blighted homes, and improving foundations.

Urge Congress to Support Continued Funding:
Sample E-Mail and Phone Messages

NMHOA's 2024 Manufactured Housing Advocacy Week

The **National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA)** is holding its 2024 Manufactured Housing Advocacy Week on March 11-15. Please join us in online meetings with your **members of Congress** and lend your support to critically important federal bills that benefit manufactured home owners, including:

- **Manufactured Housing Tenant's Bill of Rights Act** – The bill requires community owners meet certain conditions for federally-backed loans, including: one-year leases that renewable except for good cause; 60-days' notice of rent increases, park sales ar park closures; a five-day rent payment grace period; and a right to sell a manufacture home in place after eviction.
- **Fair Manufactured Housing Lending Act** – The bill repeals the 2018 exemption that manufactured housing retailers were given to the Truth in Lending Act, which meant they were no longer defined as mortgage originators, and strong manufactured home buyer protections were replaced with ineffective disclosure requirements.
- **Frank Adelmann Manufactured Housing Community Sustainability Act** – The bill provides a tax credit of 75% of gain from the sale or exchange of real property to a qualified cooperative or nonprofit organization.
- **PRICE Program Funding** – Congress established the Preservation and Reinvestment Initiative for Community Enhancement (PRICE) program to provide grants for resident to purchase and improve manufactured home park communities. We support continued funding for the program.

It is easy to participate! We will schedule the meetings for you with your U.S. Senators and Representatives. Before the meetings, we will provide you with training on the issues and how t lobby members of Congress. You will get factsheets explaining the issues.

Register Now

NMHOA Board of Directors -- We are taking applications!

The **National Manufactured Home Owners Association (NMHOA)** is a nation-wide membership organization representing and advocating for manufactured home owners. We coordinate a network of state homeowner advocacy groups and serve as a voice for manufactured home owners at the national level.

NMHOA is governed by people like you, who own homes in manufactured home communities. We have a **board of directors**, including a president, first vice president, vice president for resident-owned communities, treasurer, secretary, four regional vice presidents, and at-large members. Board members serve two-year terms and participate in monthly board meetings (held using Zoom).

We are currently seeking candidates for the following positions:

- Resident-Owned Communities Vice President
- Midwest Region Vice President

- At-Large Members

You can learn about responsibilities of these positions in our **Bylaws** or by contacting our Executive Director at: dave.anderson@nmhoa.org

If you are interested in serving on the NMHOA board, CLICK HERE to fill out our short application form.

Apply for Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee

Applications are being accepted for open positions on the **Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee**. MHCC is a committee of the **U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development** (HUD). It has 21 members divided equally between three categories: users; producers; and general interest/public officials. Applications will be accepted until March 11, 2024.

MHCC was authorized by the **Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000**, which amended the **National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974** (or "HUD Code"). The committee provides recommendations to the HUD Secretary on the revision and interpretation of HUD's manufactured home construction and safety standards and related procedural and enforcement regulations. Learn more **HERE**.

Submit Application

Sign up for NLIHC's Housing Policy Forum

Housing Policy Forum 2024: An Unwavering Path Forward to Housing Justice will commemorate the **National Low-Income Housing Coalition**, NLIHC's, 50-year anniversary. It will take place on March 19-21 at the Hilton Washington DC Capitol Hill Hotel. The 2024 Forum will feature a broad range of sessions with policy experts, researchers, tenant advocates, affordable housing practitioners, and others. There will also be a for **Capitol Hill Day** (March 21).

The Policy Forum will open with a keynote discussion with acclaimed civil rights attorney and scholar **Sherrilyn Ifill** and close with a keynote address by renowned author and journalist **Jelani Cobb**. It will feature discussions with **Representative Maxwell Frost** (D-FL) about his plans for promoting housing affordability and **Representative Jimmy Gomez** (D-CA) about transformative legislation that would create permanent tools to prevent evictions and establish a new renter's tax credit.

Learn More and Register to Attend

Thank you to our supporters!

NMHOA is a member-based organization of manufactured home owners. The **support we get from our members is critical** to our continued work on behalf of the 22 million people who live in manufactured homes. In addition, **we also receive generous support in the form of grants, sponsorships, and advertisements** from other sources, including recently receiving support from Resident-Owned Communities USA (ROC USA), the Next Step Network, and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

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**.

You can read all about NMHOA at the NMHOA webpage: 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 Anderson at: dave.anderson@nmhoa.org. Your story will inspire and educate others.

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