National Manufactured Home Owners Association

# September 2023 E-Blast

Welcome to the September 2023 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!

# REGISTER NOW:

## NMHOA's 2023 Annual Meeting is October 21

The **NMHOA Board of Directors** is pleased to announce our **2023 Annual Meeting** and **boar of directors' elections** will take place virtually on Saturday, October 21 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will feature speakers and discussions providing useful information for manufactured home owners, including:

- State Attorney General's Offices discussing their role in enforcing the rights of manufactured home owners
- A class action lawsuit alleging price-fixing in manufactured home lot rents
- Action on federal manufactured housing bills
- Updates on action being taken in the states

NMHOA is governed by a 17-member board of directors, which is elected for two-year terms. Half of the positions are elected in even-numbered years. The positions up for election this yea include:

- **Executive Officers** – First Vice President, Resident-Owned Communities Vice Presider and Treasurer
- **Area Vice Presidents** – Northeast Region Vice President and West Region Vice President
- **At Large Members** – Two (2) positions

On our web site, you can learn about responsibilities of these positions in our **Bylaws** or the people serving on our **2022-2023 board of directors**. If you are interested in being elected to

any of these positions, please contact our Executive Director to let us know: david.r.anderson.nmhoa@gmail.com

## Register in Advance to Attend

## Budget agreement keeps federal government open, for now

On September 30, **Congress** passed, and **President Biden** signed, a short-term **continuing resolution** (CR) that continues to fund the federal government through November 17. The CR maintains the previously appropriated year's level of funding for federal programs for 45 days, giving lawmakers more time to reach an agreement on full-year appropriations bills.

Action to approve a budget will be delayed until the **U.S. House of Representatives** has electe a new Speaker to replace Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), who was ousted from his leadership positior earlier this month. Once action resumes, the road to a final **Transportation, Housing and Urban Development** (THUD) spending bill for fiscal year (FY) 2024 may be a difficult one. Although neither the House or Senate draft budgets are proposing funding cuts to vital housing programs, the amounts are still far apart.

The House version proposes funding HUD at $68.2 billion, a $6.4 billion (or roughly 10%) increase to HUD programs over previously enacted levels. HUD needs an approximately $13 billion increase in funding over current levels, however, just to maintain existing assistance. The National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) has describes the House proposal in this analysis and budget chart. Here is a description of the Senate proposal.

## NMHOA holds meetings with members of Congress

On September 18, **NMHOA** used its **2023 Manufactured Housing Advocacy Week** to kickoff series of meetings with members of Congress about critically important federal bills that suppor manufactured home owners.

Manufactured home owners across the country -- from Oregon and California, to Connecticut and New Jersey -- have met with their Senators and Representatives to encourage them to support four specific proposals:

- **Manufactured Housing Tenant's Bill of Rights Act** – The bill requires community owners meet certain conditions for federally-backed loans, including: one-year renewable leases, except for good cause; 60-days' notice of rent increases, park sales and park closures; a five-day rent payment grace period; and a right to sell a manufactured home after eviction.
- **Fair Manufactured Housing Lending Act** – The bill repeals the 2018 exemption manufactured housing retailers were given to the Truth in Lending Act, which meant they were no longer defined them as mortgage originators, and strong manufactured home buyer protections were replace 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 in December. It provides HU with $225 million for manufactured home park infrastructure grants. We support funding for 2024.

## Save the Date: NLIHC's Housing Policy Forum March 18-20

The **National Low Income Housing Coalition** (NLIHC) has scheduled its **2024 Housing Policy Forum** for March 18-20. The event will bring together policy experts, researchers, tenan advocates, affordable housing practitioners, and members of Congress to discuss ways to end the housing crisis impacting low-income renters. The event will also commemorate the organization's 50-year anniversary. Speakers and panelists will be announced in the coming weeks.

## 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 grant 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**.

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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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