

FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER



### Housing Day in Annapolis

*Working to expand housing opportunities by increasing the supply of affordable, quality rental housing in Maryland through advocacy, education and collaboration.*

## 2020 Housing Day is Next Week

Let's show our legislators that the RHW Program is bringing jobs and affordable housing to Maryland and urge them to fund it at \$25 million and provide full funding for other key rental housing programs in 2021. Affordable housing provides Maryland residents with a safe place to

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### 2020 Housing Day

February 19, 2020, 8 AM - 12 PM  
House Office Building  
Rooms 170 and 180  
6 Bladen Street

live and raise their families, and it creates jobs for Marylanders.

**February 19, 2019**  
**House Office Building**  
**6 Bladen Street**  
**Rooms 170 + 180**  
**Annapolis, MD 21401**

Registration/Networking - 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Program - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Meetings with Legislators - 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

## Update from Annapolis

The 2020 legislative session got off to bit of a slow start, but thousands of new bills have dropped in the last few weeks. The MAHC Legislative Committee will continue to review relevant bills on our bi-weekly calls. Over the last two weeks, MAHC supported **HB231/SB530** - The HOME Act - which would expand the fair housing act to include discrimination based on source of income. This bill has been introduced many times, but we feel it has real traction this year. We also supported **HB472/SB387** which will provide \$5 Million in funding for the Community Development Program Fund to provide much needed operating support for non-profit community development organizations. DHCD's Capital Budget Hearings are set for February 25th in the Senate and February 26th in the House, and MAHC will be testifying in support of the Governor's proposed budget for DHCD, which includes full funding for all rental housing programs.

## Federal Housing Policy Update

Annapolis, MD 21401

[Register here!](#)

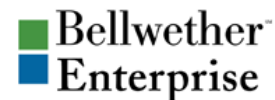
**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Breakfast with the DHCD**  
**Secretary**

April 16, 2020

Blackwall Barn & Lodge

Gambrills, MD

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Advocates and policymakers are working to ensure that the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) is included in the federal infrastructure framework. The ACTION Campaign has been urging the House Ways and Means Committee to include affordable housing in both the framework and any infrastructure bill that moves forward. Safe, affordable housing is a critical part of our national infrastructure, and tax credits play an important role in addressing our housing deficit. House Democrats recently released a five-year infrastructure framework, which includes plans to expand tax credits, such as LIHTC and New Markets. More details on this framework are expected to be released in May 2020.

Read the ACTION Campaign's statement to the House Ways and Means Committee [here](#).

## FUNDING AVAILABLE

### Baltimore Metropolitan Council Announces New RFP

The Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC) is seeking qualified and experienced developers to apply for affordable housing subsidies for new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or existing housing through the [Baltimore Regional Project-Based Voucher \(PBV\) Program](#). Successful applicants may be eligible for scoring incentives in the upcoming 2020 competitive round of LIHTC awards conducted by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

BMC will host a pre-proposal conference for interested parties on **February 27, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.** Written questions about this procurement should be sent to Dan Pontious at [dpontious@baltometro.org](mailto:dpontious@baltometro.org) by no later than **Tuesday, March 5, 2020**. Proposals must be received by BMC no later than **Wednesday, March 18, 2020, by 4 p.m.**

### Grant Opportunities for Nonprofits Serving D.C. Metro Region

The Greater Washington Community Foundation has opened its Spring 2020 Grant Round and is now accepting grant proposals from nonprofits across the Greater Washington region, including Montgomery County, Prince George's County, Northern Virginia and Washington, D.C. These funding opportunities include grants from the Fund for Children, Youth, and Families; Spring Creek Environmental and Preservation Fund; and

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## SILVER

AGM Financial Services  
Ballard Spahr  
Bozzuto Construction  
Hooten Construction  
Conifer Realty  
Green Street Housing  
Gallagher, Evelius & Jones  
Hamel Builders Inc.  
Howard County Housing  
Klein Hornig  
Landex Corporation  
Maryland DHCD  
PNC Bank  
Southway Builders  
STUDIO 343  
SunTrust Bank  
Woda Group

## BRONZE

Architecture By Design  
Baltimore City DHCD  
BCI Management  
Boston Capital  
Chesapeake Contracting Group  
Delaware Valley Dev. Corp.  
Foundation Development  
Grimm & Parker  
Habitat America  
Hertzbach & Company, P.A.  
Housing Authority of Baltimore City  
Housing Trust of America  
Hudson Housing Capital  
Humphrey Management  
Ingerman Management  
Marks Thomas Architects  
Morgan Keller Construction  
National Foundation for Affordable Housing Solutions  
Nixon Peabody

the David Bradt Nonprofit Education Fund's Nonprofit Leadership Award. Additionally, the Resilience Fund has opened a call for ideas and the Partnership to End Homelessness has released an RFI related to advocacy and public will building efforts focused on homelessness and affordable housing.

Applications must be submitted on **Monday, March 9, 2020, by 4 p.m.** More information can be found [here](#).

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## MEMBER NEWS

### Announcing Enterprise Community Development

Following the merger of Enterprise Homes and Community Preservation and Development Corporation, Enterprise Community Development is now one organization within the Enterprise family of companies. Enterprise Community Development develops, owns and operates affordable housing throughout the Mid-Atlantic region, serving more than 21,000 residents in 110 rental communities. Property management is now housed with Enterprise Residential.

[Learn more here.](#)

### CohnReznick Promotes New Partners and Leadership Roles

CohnReznick LLP, one of the leading advisory, assurance, and tax firms in the United States, has promoted 12 professionals to its partnership ranks, including two Baltimoreans, **Ira Weinstein** and **Scott Szeliga**. Ira Weinstein was promoted to managing principle, overseeing the advisory assurance and tax services in the real estate and cannabis industry. Scott Szeliga was promoted to partner at the Baltimore office. Congratulations!

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## INDUSTRY NEWS

### NLIHC's 2020 Housing Policy Forum

Novogradac & Company  
Pando Alliance  
Pax-Edwards  
PIRHL  
Quinn Evans  
R4 Capital  
Raymond James  
Real Property Research Group  
Red Stone Equity Partners  
R.E. Robertson Plumbing  
Victory Housing  
Wells Fargo  
Woori America Bank

## NONPROFITS

AHC of Greater Baltimore  
CHAI  
Cinnaire  
Episcopal Housing  
LIIF  
Interfaith Housing Alliance  
MAHRA  
Milford Housing Development Corp.  
Mission First Housing  
NHP Foundation  
The Community Builders  
Volunteers of America

## WELCOME NEW MAHC MEMBERS:

John Maneval, Oculus Consulting

NLIHC will host its 2020 Policy Forum, Ending Homelessness and Housing Poverty, on March 25-27 in Washington, D.C. As awareness of the nation's housing crisis grows, now is the time for advocates to mobilize. The forum will provide opportunities to engage with affordable housing advocates, thought-leaders, policy experts, researchers, housing providers, low-income residents and elected leaders.

Early bird pricing is available until February 21, 2020. More details and registration available [here](#).

### **Novogradac's 2020 Affordable Housing Conference**

Novogradac will convene their 2020 Affordable Housing Conference from April 30-May 1 in San Francisco. This event will offer attendees the opportunity to learn more about the latest developments in LIHTC news, trends and opportunities.

More information is available [here](#), and registration is available [here](#).

### **NCSHA's Housing Credit Connect 2020**

The National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) will hold Housing Credit Connect 2020 in St. Louis June 2-5 for 1,200 Housing Credit professionals. The conference will include executive directors and senior staff of the Housing Credit allocating agencies, federal agency officials, affordable housing developers, lenders, syndicators, investors, tax advisors, asset managers, nonprofit leaders, compliance experts, property managers and service providers.

More details and registration can be found [here](#).

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