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Disaster Housing Recovery

Over 700 National and State Organizations Condemn FEMA's Continued Neglect of Long-Term Housing Needs of Disaster-Impacted Families

NLIHC and more than 700 national, state, and local organizations in the NLIHC-led Disaster Housing Recovery Coalition issued a [press release](#) on March 1 condemning FEMA's continuing inaction on implementing proven, long-term housing solutions like the Disaster Housing Assistance Program (DHAP) to assist the lowest income families displaced by the recent hurricanes and wildfires. FEMA's continuing failure to prioritize solutions to help low income survivors secure safe, stable housing is compounded by recent and looming deadlines that abruptly end Transitional Shelter Assistance (TSA) for displaced Puerto Rican families in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New York, Florida, and other states.

DHAP provides temporary rental assistance and wrap-around case management to low income families in need. The program helps the lowest income families find permanent housing solutions, secure employment, and connect to public benefits as they rebuild their lives. DHAP has been used effectively after previous disasters, but FEMA has so far been unwilling to enter into an agreement with the HUD to stand up the program.

Without longer-term housing solutions like DHAP, impacted families have resorted to doubling or tripling up with other low income families, sleeping in cars, paying at least half of their income on rent, or to returning to their uninhabitable homes on the island with just a few days' notice. Nearly 10,000 families remain in hotels under FEMA's TSA hotel program, and thousands more low income families have been unable to access TSA due to financial and other barriers, including the practice of hotels charging daily "resort" fees and requiring security deposits or credit cards, which the lowest income displaced households do not have.

Read the full press release at: <http://bit.ly/2oxeiLO>

Additional Disaster Housing Recovery Updates – March 5

The following is a review of additional housing recovery developments related to Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and the California wildfires since last week's *Memo to Members and Partners* (for the article in last week's *Memo*, see [2/26](#)). NLIHC also posts this information at our [On the Home Front](#) blog.

General Updates

HUD announced on February 22 that the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) [expanded mortgage relief](#) for FHA-insured homeowners impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria and the wildfires in California. FHA created a "Disaster Standalone Partial Claim" option designed to help those struggling to resume their mortgage payments.

Senators Claire McCaskill (D-MO), Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND), and Gary Peters (D-MI) found that a company [plagiarized](#) its emergency meal delivery contract proposal to FEMA. FEMA ended their \$156 million contract with Tribute Contracting, LLC after it failed to deliver sufficient emergency meals to individuals in need. FEMA has had several failed contracts related to their efforts in Puerto Rico.

The Open Society Foundations launched a new [initiative](#) to pair U.S. mayors who have experience dealing with disasters stateside with mayors in Puerto Rico. About 40 mayors have agreed to participate in the Mayor Exchange with trips and visits beginning in early March.

California Wildfires

Local Perspectives

Following the devastating wildfires that wiped out thousands of homes, officials in northern California are searching for [creative solutions](#) to meet the need for new affordable housing. The goal is create as many as 30,000 housing units in the next five years. Board of Supervisors Chairman James Gore justified the goal, saying, “We are eroding the character of our county by not allowing people who work here to live here and be a part of the community.”

Hurricane Maria

FEMA

President Trump [authorized an extension](#) of the 100% federal cost share in Puerto Rico. The president originally authorized this cost share for both debris removal and emergency protective measures in September. This order extends the 100% cost share for debris removal for another 90 days and for emergency protective measures for another 60 days.

A [FEMA factsheet](#) on childcare assistance options states that individuals affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria are eligible for the Child Care Assistance program. This program provides a one-time payment for up to eight weeks of childcare plus other eligible expenses. Survivors must submit documentation to be considered for the program.

Hurricane Irma

FEMA

Residents in Hamilton County, FL have until [March 9](#) to apply for FEMA assistance. The major disaster declaration was amended to include individual assistance (IA) for Hamilton County on January 10, so these residents are on a different timeline than the rest of the state.

Local Perspectives

In an interview with a [local news outlet](#), Monroe County Commissioner Heather Carruthers spoke about the affordable housing crisis in the Florida Keys following Hurricane Irma. While affordable housing has always been an issue in the area, the hurricane destroyed thousands of homes, many of which were affordable units. Ms. Carruthers stated that for unincorporated Monroe County, 700 of 1,970 building permits are earmarked for affordable housing, which would only be meeting a third of the need.

Hurricane Harvey

Local Perspective

The Governor’s Commission to Rebuild Texas [released](#) a [Recovery Tracker](#) in an attempt to create transparency regarding how federal disaster aid is spent. The interactive dashboard is still a work in progress and includes data from the General Land Office and FEMA.

Texas Housers, an NLIHC state partner, describes the need for equitable recovery in a new [blog post](#). The Texas General Land Office - the agency leading recovery in the state - used data based on damage to property rather than on the people affected, to create their state action plan. Texas Housers points out that this methodology often overlooks households with the lowest incomes, and the organization calls for it to be adjusted immediately.

Texas Governor Greg Abbott declared his state would lead their own disaster recovery response, but federal records reveal that the state's efforts are [falling behind previous efforts](#). Fewer people affected by Hurricane Harvey have been moved into trailers than at the same point after Hurricane Katrina, and housing repairs are happening at a slower pace than following Super Storm Sandy. Many small communities have been ignored.

As the Texas government struggles to implement a [new method](#) for implementing disaster housing recovery, many residents are being left behind. Governor Abbott's decision to have the General Land Office (GLO) run short-term housing programs has not gone as smoothly as hoped. The GLO got a late start – Mr. Abbott didn't alert the agency of the plan until 19 days after the storm – and tens of thousands of Texans had to rely on neighbors and local organizations for some sort of assistance. Local officials are willing to take the lead on recovery but lack the proper resources and data to do so. *The Texas Tribune* [reports](#) on these and other issues afflicting the recovery in Texas.

Take Action

Tell Congress to Provide Robust Funding for Affordable Housing and Reject Proposals to Slash Housing Benefits

Sign two letters calling on Congress to reject President Donald Trump's FY19 proposals to slash funding to federal affordable housing programs and to impose harmful rent increases and arbitrary, wasteful work requirements. Sign the letter calling for robust funding for affordable housing programs [here](#) and the letter opposing the administration's proposals to cut housing benefits [here](#).

Mr. Trump's [FY19 budget request](#) proposes massive cuts to HUD and USDA Rural Housing programs that help millions of low income seniors, people with disabilities, families with children, low-wage workers, veterans, and other vulnerable people afford their homes. In addition to severe funding cuts and in some cases the elimination of critical programs, the proposals include harmful rent increases and wasteful work requirements that would leave even more low income people without a stable home.

Groups concerned about housing, community development, and homelessness are circulating a letter urging Congress to ensure affordable housing and community development programs receive the highest allocation of discretionary funds possible for FY19. Last year, more than 3,400 national, state, and local housing and community development, faith-based, disability, and civil rights organizations, as well as officials in municipal, tribal, and state governments signed onto a similar letter. [Read and sign this year's letter here](#).

NLIHC is also circulating a sign-on letter urging Congress to oppose any proposals that would cut housing benefits by increasing rents and imposing onerous and administratively wasteful work requirements on current and future tenants. [Read and sign the letter here](#).

Please share these letters and encourage organizations in your network to sign on **by March 16**.

Read NLIHC President and CEO Diane Yentel's recent "Point of View" article in *Memo to Members and Partners* on the president's proposed spending cuts for the poor at: <http://bit.ly/2otDpOz>

NLIHC 2018 Housing Policy Forum

Senator Sherrod Brown to Speak at Multisector Housing Campaign Launch on March 20



Senator Sherrod Brown

U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH) will speak at the launch of a new national multi-sector affordable housing campaign at the [NLIHC 2018 Housing Policy Forum: Building the Movement](#), March 19-21 in Washington, DC. Learn more about this exciting new campaign and how to get involved at this year's Forum. The pre-event registration deadline for the Forum is this Friday, March 9, and space at the Forum is quickly filling up, so [register today!](#)

After a year-long planning process and with the input from education, health, anti-poverty, faith-based, civil rights, child-welfare, and other organizations, NLIHC, the National Alliance to End Homelessness (the Alliance), the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP), Make Room, and Children's HealthWatch (CHW) initiated a dynamic, long-term, multi-sector campaign to meet the housing needs of the lowest income people in America. The campaign will mobilize powerful new constituencies beyond housing that are increasingly recognizing the impact that the inability to afford decent housing has on the wellbeing of the people they serve.

The campaign steering committee includes leaders from Children's Defense Fund, Community Catalyst, the Food Research & Action Center, NAACP, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the National Association of Community Health Centers, the National Education Association, and Unidos US. Representatives from these organizations will join Senator Sherrod Brown for the launch.



Senator Cory Booker

Other featured speakers and panelists at this year's Forum include U.S. Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ); *The Cook Political Report's* Charlie Cook; Mark Horvath, founder of Invisible People; *Wall Street Journal* Reporter Laura Kusisto; Ben Austen, author, *High Risers: Cabrini-Green and the Fate of American Public Housing*; Meghan Maury, policy director, National LGBTQ Task Force; and Don Chen, Ford Foundation director of equitable development, among others.

The Forum will engage advocates, residents, affordable housing providers, and others on taking the growing and expanding affordable housing movement to the next level.

[Register for the 2018 NLIHC Housing Policy Forum Today!](#)

Congress

Ranking Member Maxine Waters Requests GAO Study on State of Homelessness

Financial Services Committee Ranking Member Maxine Waters (D-CA) [requested](#) on February 23 that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) conduct a study on the state of homelessness in America. Ms. Waters expressed great concern regarding recent findings on homelessness in the U.S., including data from the 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress, which found that homelessness had increased for the first time in seven years. Homelessness has increased significantly in certain areas, particularly in Los Angeles, New York, and Seattle. Ms. Waters specifically asks that GAO research how the shortage of affordable housing impacts homelessness, saying the report will “better equip [Congress] in [its] efforts to prevent and end homelessness in this country.”

Ms. Waters also identifies several other issues that the report should examine, including factors that increase homelessness and the policies, tools, and funding levels to effectively address those factors; the impact of current programs on various sub-populations, like families with children and individuals with substance-abuse disorders; current methods for estimating homelessness; and the ability of federal programs to utilize non-federal resources.

Research

Interim Evaluation of Permanent Supportive Housing Program Shows Positive Outcomes

The Urban Institute released an interim evaluation of new permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects funded by the Missouri Foundation for Health’s Show Me Healthy Housing (SMHH) program, a grant program that subsidizes the development of PSH. The evaluation found positive changes for tenants in both health and monthly incomes.

PSH provides rent subsidies, case management, and support services for tenants who have been homeless or at risk of homelessness. SMHH supported four new PSH projects. One project targeted seniors with some apartments set aside for senior veterans; one targeted homeless veterans; one targeted individuals with serious mental illnesses; and one targeted families with some apartments set aside for homeless families. All four projects are new, and only two have had tenants for at least one year.

For the two projects that had tenants for at least one year, the positive outcomes included an increase of \$100 in average monthly tenant income, a small increase in the percentage of households with earned income, and a reduction in the acuity of veterans’ health care and social service needs, especially among veterans entering PSH with the most severe needs. Among homeless families, Medicaid claims declined by 20%.

The evaluation also highlighted some challenges. The lack of long-term rental assistance was a challenge for families who entered PSH with a rapid re-housing voucher (an issue at the project targeting families). Another challenge was insufficient operating reserves, which required rents to be too high for the poorest renters without additional housing assistance. As a result, two projects had challenges in leasing up. Other challenges included over-restrictive admission criteria for an apartment, poor transportation access, and strained interpersonal relationships among tenants.

Permanent supportive housing is an evidence-based approach to reducing homelessness. The authors acknowledge that it is too soon to draw major conclusions from the evaluation because two of the projects have only recently begun receiving tenants. The Urban Institute will release a follow-up evaluation with additional outcome data next year.

Show Me Healthy Housing Two-Year Evaluation Report is available at: <http://urbn.is/2F2Pzow>

Housing Assistance May Provide Health Benefits

A recent study by Deirdre Pfeiffer, “Rental Housing Assistance and Health: Evidence from the Survey of Income and Program Participation,” published in *Housing Policy Debate* reports that low income households that moved to public housing during the previous year were more likely to report an improvement in their health than similar households who did not move to public housing. The study also found that HUD-assisted renters spent less on healthcare.

Using the Census Bureau’s Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), Dr. Pfeiffer compared the self-reported health status of low income renters who lived in public housing or received Section 8 vouchers with those who did not receive housing assistance. The author hypothesized that housing assistance is associated with better health and lower healthcare costs because assistance lowers households’ housing cost burdens, provides stable housing with less likelihood of eviction, and may enable households to access higher-quality homes and neighborhoods.

Twelve percent of renters that moved into public housing during the previous year reported an improvement in health during the year compared to 8% of those who did not move to public housing. The reduction in cost burdens may reduce stress and leave households with more money to spend on healthcare or healthy activities. The direct connection between cost burdens and self-reported health status was not clearly established, however, so further research is needed on why or how their health status improved. The author found no change in healthcare costs for renters in their first year of housing assistance.

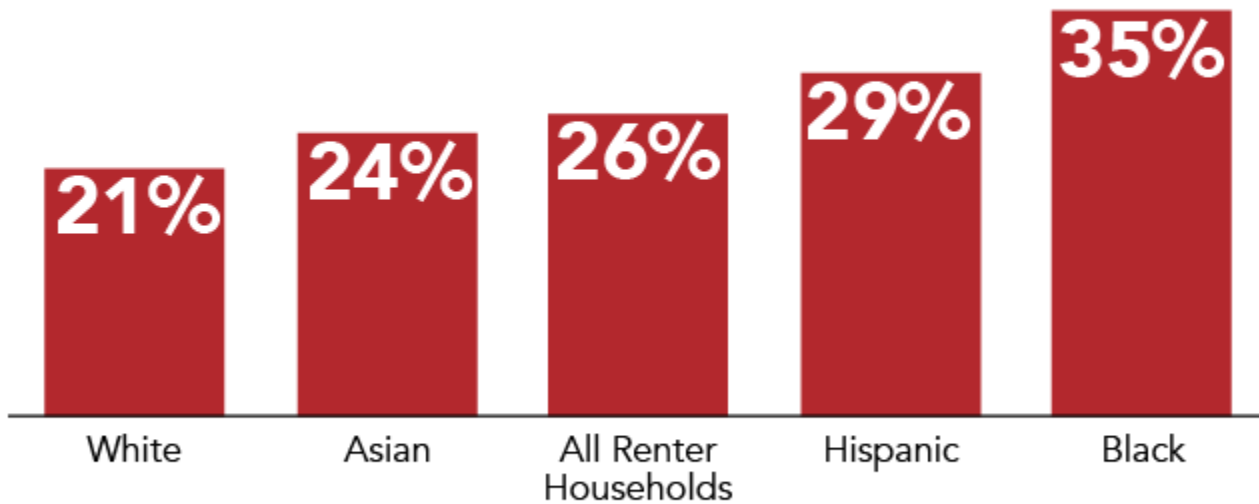
When Dr. Pfeiffer compared households in public housing and Section 8 voucher recipients, regardless of how long they had received assistance (not just within the previous year), with similar households without assistance, she found no difference in self-reported health status. Low income households with Section 8 vouchers and those living in public housing, however, spent between \$136 and \$167 less on healthcare annually than similar low income households without assistance. Dr. Pfeiffer suggests that households with low fixed housing costs may have less stress and more time and resources to engage in healthy behaviors like exercising or cooking healthy meals, which save healthcare costs over the long-run.

“Rental Housing Assistance and Health: Evidence from the Survey of Income and Program Participation” is available at: <http://bit.ly/2ETftiC>

Fact of the Week

Higher Percentages of Black and Hispanic Renter Households Are Extremely Low Income

Percent of Renter Households Who Are Extremely Low Income by Race and Ethnicity



Source: NLIHC tabulation of 2016 ACS PUMS.

Extremely low income households have incomes at or below the poverty level or 30% of their area median income.

Source: NLIHC tabulation of 2016 ACS PUMS.

From the Field

Affordable Housing ‘Capacity Accelerator’ Program Launches in Atlanta

To help Atlanta metro area community development corporations (CDCs) create and preserve more affordable homes, Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. (Enterprise), NeighborWorks America, the Georgia Center for Nonprofits, and NLIHC state partner Georgia ACT launched the Atlanta Affordable Housing Capacity Accelerator Program on February 13. Funded by JPMorgan Chase, the program will provide training and technical assistance to seven Atlanta-area CDCs.

“The Atlanta Affordable Housing Capacity Accelerator will strengthen these CDCs’ capacity to preserve their portfolios and develop new affordable homes in neighborhoods where low income residents are at risk of being displaced,” said Meaghan Shannon-Vlkovic, Enterprise vice president and Southeast market leader.

The Accelerator Program will provide each CDC an organizational assessment in key areas; short-, intermediate- and long-term recommendations for organizational advancement; access to a consultant for

technical assistance in implementing the recommendations; and capacity-building grants. In addition, program participants will receive scholarships to participate in up to five trainings each year held for CDCs, public sector community development partners, and affordable housing developers in the Atlanta metro area.

The goal of the initiative is that these Atlanta metro area CDCs will be more financially sustainable and able to increase their development of affordable homes to meet growing demand in the region. There are only 24 affordable and available rental homes in the Atlanta metro area for every 100 extremely low income households, those with incomes at or below the poverty level or 30% of the area median income. There are 49 affordable and available rental homes for every 100 very low income families, those with incomes at or below 50% of the area median income.

For more information about the Atlanta Accelerator Program, contact Sara Haas at: shaas@enterprisecommunity.org

New York Housing Conference Launches #TrumpRentHike Calculator for Advocacy

In response to the Trump administration's [proposals](#) to raise rents for HUD-assisted households, the New York Housing Conference (NYHC) has developed the [#TrumpRentHike Calculator](#), an advocacy tool to help impacted families speak out against rent increases. The tool allows families receiving HUD housing assistance to calculate their rent increases and to share the results on social media. The administration's proposal would raise rents for HUD-assisted tenants from 30% of adjusted income to 35% of gross income and eliminate childcare, medical expenses, and other deductions. NYHC reports that rents across the nation will increase by \$1,280 per year on average. Find the #TrumpRentHike Calculator at: <http://bit.ly/2EYjkv7> and read NLIHC's summary on the administration's proposals at: <http://bit.ly/2Cn8xc9>

Events

NLIHC to Host Two Lobby Day Webinars, March 8 and 13

NLIHC will hold two webinars in March in preparation for NLIHC's annual Capitol Hill Lobby Day taking place March 21. The first webinar on March 8 at 3:00 pm ET will provide an introduction to effective advocacy. The NLIHC field team will cover how a bill becomes a law, details of the budget process, reasons to advocate, and tips for effective lobbying, and the session will include a mock legislative visit. The webinar is an excellent training opportunity for those new to advocacy. Sign up for the March 8 webinar at: <http://bit.ly/2oLM8Mb>

The second webinar on March 13 at 2:00 pm ET will provide an overview of NLIHC's policy priorities and Lobby Day talking points. The NLIHC policy team will highlight the main legislative requests and provide comprehensive information that compellingly makes the case for more federal investments in affordable homes. Sign up for the March 13 webinar at: <http://bit.ly/2ERqEoM>

NLIHC staff presenting on the two webinars include:

- Tori Bourret, Housing Advocacy Organizer
- Joey Lindstrom, Manager for Field Organizing
- Sarah Mickelson, Public Policy Senior Director
- James Saucedo, Housing Advocacy Organizer

- Elayne Weiss, Senior Policy Analyst
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NHLP Offers Six-Part Webinar Series on Preserving HUD Multifamily Housing

The National Housing Law Project (NHLP) will be hosting six 30-minute introductory webinars about preserving HUD-assisted Multifamily housing. For every new affordable home created, two are lost due to deterioration, abandonment, or conversion to more expensive housing. Data from the NLIHC/Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation [National Housing Preservation Database](#) shows that nearly one out of ten publicly supported rental homes are subject to expiring affordability restrictions in the next five years.

Housing and tenants' rights advocates play a key role in preserving affordable housing. All are welcome to join the webinars, regardless of experience with affordable housing preservation. Register for the full training series [here](#).

Webinar Schedule (All webinars are from 1:00 pm-1:40 pm ET):

- *March 8: Introduction to Affordable Housing Preservation & Identifying Key Risks in Your Community*

This session will discuss how to identify what buildings are at risk in your community and highlight some of the greatest risks to affordable housing, and will explain the difference between HUD mortgage programs and HUD rental assistance programs. This session will also look at the loss of affordable housing units nationwide and explain why preservation is so important.

- *March 22: Understanding Project-Based Rental Assistance*

The project-based rental assistance (PBRA) program provides rental assistance for 1.2 million low and extremely low income households across the country. This session will provide an overview of the structure and oversight of PBRA units, including how PBRA differs from other HUD housing programs.

- *April 19: Understanding HAP Contract Renewals, Terminations, and Opt-Outs*

Because project-based rental assistance is provided through a contract between HUD and private owners, any contract violations or failure to renew the contract at the end of its term puts the affordability of a property at risk. This session will explain those risks and discuss how advocates can identify and respond to them.

- *May 3: Understanding Mortgage Prepayments and Maturities*

HUD mortgage programs also ensure housing affordability and come with a different set of risks. This session will provide an overview of the types of HUD mortgage programs, affordability risks, and strategies for responding to them.

- *May 17: Ensuring Decent, Safe, and Sanitary Housing Conditions in PBRA Properties*

Property owners have an obligation to maintain HUD-subsidized properties in decent, safe, and sanitary conditions. Too often, this requirement is not adequately enforced. When building conditions deteriorate to a significant extent, the property is at risk of closure. This session will

provide an overview of habitability requirements, HUD enforcement mechanisms, and local strategies to respond to poor building conditions in project-based rental assistance properties.

- May 31: *Recapitalization and How to Finance the Repair of Affordable Housing*

Often, additional financial resources are needed to repair a property and/or encourage a property owner to continue to receive HUD assistance or support a preservation sale. This session will provide an overview of the basic economics of affordable housing properties and recapitalization tools, and will address why a lack of financial resources threatens the preservation of affordable housing.

NeighborWorks Training Institute to be Held in Kansas City, May 7-11

Kansas City, MO will host the NeighborWorks Training Institute (NTI) the week of May 7-11. The NTI offers more than 100 course offerings in affordable housing development and financing; housing asset management; community engagement; community revitalization; community economic development; housing construction and rehabilitation; financial capability and homeownership education, coaching, and counseling; nonprofit management and leadership; and single-family and small business lending. The NTI courses, lasting from one-to-five days each, are an excellent opportunity for skill-building and networking.

More information about the NTI is at: <http://bit.ly/2BwPLxI>

Register for the NTI at: <http://bit.ly/1ATs8Ia>

NLIHC in the News

NLIHC in the News for the Week of February 25

The following are some of the news stories that NLIHC contributed to during the week of February 25:

- “Affordable Housing Shortage,” *CQ Researcher*, March 2 at: <http://bit.ly/2oJV2de>
- “Utah lawmakers reject a bill to raise the minimum wage to \$12 an hour,” *The Salt Lake Tribune*, March 2 at: <http://bit.ly/2tajH02>
- “Housing advocates press lawmakers to pass \$100 million bond to ‘jump-start’ affordable housing,” *The Salt Lake Tribune*, March 1 at: <http://bit.ly/2oKZI2B>
- “COMMENTARY: Affordable housing a vital issue for Southern Nevada,” *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, February 25 at: <http://bit.ly/2F4c2G5>

NLIHC News

Donate Today in Honor of Housing Leadership Awardees Matt Desmond, Lisa Hasegawa, and Susan Collins

Make a [donation](#) to NLIHC in honor of the 2018 Housing Leadership Awardees: Matthew Desmond, MacArthur Genius awardee and author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning book *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*; Lisa Hasegawa, former executive director of the National Coalition for Asian and Pacific American Community Development (CAPACD) and NLIHC board member; and U.S. Senator Susan Collins (R-ME). Your contribution will support NLIHC’s mission of promoting socially just public policy

to ensure the lowest income people in America have decent, affordable homes. NLIHC will recognize the honorees at the [2018 Housing Leadership Awards Reception](#) taking place in Washington DC on March 20.



Matthew Desmond



Lisa Hasegawa



Sen. Susan Collins

Dr. Desmond will be the first-ever recipient of the Sheila Crowley Housing Justice Award for his groundbreaking work to elevate the need for affordable housing for the lowest income people in America - through his brilliant book *Evicted*, his articles in major news publications and journals, and public appearances around the country.

Ms. Hasegawa will receive the Cushing Niles Dolbeare Lifetime Service Award for leading national efforts to address the affordable housing needs of low income Asian American and Pacific Islander communities and working in coalition with other civil rights organizations and advocates throughout her career for people who are poor.

Senator Collins will receive the 2018 Edward Brooke Housing Leadership Award for being a steadfast defender of affordable housing and homelessness programs for many years in the U.S. Senate, opposing proposed cuts to critical HUD programs, co-sponsoring the bill that created the national Housing Trust Fund, supporting the Housing First model for addressing homelessness, leading on the “Housing Opportunity through Modernization Act,” and more.

Please make a 2018 Leadership Awards Reception sponsorship [donation](#) today. To register to attend the reception, contact Christina Sin at csin@nlihc.org or register [online](#) (a separate ticket from the NLIHC Housing Policy Forum, taking place the same week, is required to attend the reception).

NLIHC Seeks Graphic Design/Communications Intern for the Summer

NLIHC is accepting applications for a graphic design/communications intern for the summer. Interns are highly valued and fully integrated into our staff work. We seek students passionate about social justice issues who have excellent graphic design, communications, and interpersonal skills.

The graphic design/communications intern assists with designing collateral material like brochures, flyers, infographics, social media imagery, and content on the NLIHC website. The intern also prepares and distributes press materials, assists with media research and outreach for publication releases, works on social media projects, maintains a media database, and tracks press hits. Graphic design and Adobe Creative Cloud

(Illustrator, InDesign, and/or Photoshop) experience is needed. Please provide three design samples and/or link to an online portfolio in addition to a writing sample.

Summer Interns are expected to work 40 hours a week, and NLIHC provides a modest stipend. A cover letter, resume, and writing/graphic design samples are required for consideration.

Interested students should send their materials to: Ellen Errico, creative services manager, NLIHC, 1000 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20005 via email to: eerrico@nlihc.org

Where to Find Us – March 5

NLIHC President and CEO Diane Yentel and other NLIHC staff will be speaking at the following events in the coming months:

- [NCSHA Legislative Conference](#), Washington, DC on March 7
 - [Make Room Journalism Study Tour](#), Houston, TX on March 27
 - [Housing First Partners Conference 2018](#), Denver, CO, April 10 -12, 2018
 - [PolicyLink 2018 Equity Summit](#), Chicago, IL on April 13
 - [2018 Building Michigan Communities Conference](#), Lansing, MI, April 30 to May 2
 - Provider Alliance to End Homelessness, Los Angeles, CA on May 17
 - [2018 Denver Housing Summit](#), Denver, CO on May 24
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