

**MOUNTAIN PLAINS NAHRO**  
National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials



The 322 member organizations of Mountain Plains NAHRO wish to thank our legislative representatives for their commitment to low-income families served by public housing authorities and community development agencies. Congress recently passed, and the President signed, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 containing important legislation providing stimulus funding for public housing capital improvements; energy modernization of HUD subsidized

rental housing, and other important affordable housing programs. We look forward to working with you in the coming legislative session when other important housing legislation will be introduced, debated, and eventually enacted.

The following Table is summary of current and pending legislation that Mountain Plains NAHRO is interested in discussing with our Legislators.

Bill #	Title	Action	Summary	Sponsor	Status
H.R. 1	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009	Support	The bill includes \$4 billion for the Public Housing Capital Fund, \$2.5 billion for HOME; \$2 billion for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program; \$1.5 billion for Homeless Prevention; and funding for other housing-related programs. While these funds are greatly needed and appreciated, they do substitute for consistent full funding of our essential infrastructure programs.		Enacted as the first legislative action of 111th Congress.
H.R. 6216  (H.R. 3521)	Asset Management Implementation Act of 2008  (Public Housing Asset Management Improvement Act of 2007)	Support	Provides restrictions on HUD's implementation of asset management and supports the decision making power of public housing agencies.	Rep. Albio Sires, D-NJ	7/10/2008: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.
S. 2684 H.R. 1851	SEVRA: Section Eight Voucher Reform Act	No position adopted yet	Comprehensive reform of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program.	Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-CT	Introduced in 3/08 and referred to the Senate Banking Committee; hearings held by Housing Subcommittee, 4/16/08. NO CHANGE IN STATUS. House Bill 1851 passed and was referred to Senate Committee on 7/16/2007.
S. 809	Small Public Housing Authorities Paperwork Reduction Act	Support	To amend the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 to exempt small agencies from the requirement of preparing an annual plan.	Sen. John Sununu, R-NH	Introduced in 3/07; referred to the Senate Banking Committee. NO CHANGE IN STATUS.
H.R. 3126 H.R. 3524 S. 829	HOPE VI Reauthorization	Support	Reauthorization and reform of the HOPE VI program for renovation of distressed public housing.	Rep. Maxine Waters, D-CA, Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-MD	Originally introduced 7/07; Passed out of House and introduced to Senate on 1/08.
H.R. 44	Stabilizing Affordable Housing for the Future Act	Support	Comprehensive reform to HUD multifamily program, including funding rental assistance, reforming foreclosure process, and providing web-based info on federally assisted properties.	Rep. Nydia Velazquez, D-NY	Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Financial Services, 1/07; referred to Subcommittee on Housing, 3/07.



**NAHRO FY 2009 - 2010 Funding Recommendations**

Program (\$ in Millions)	2008 Enacted	2009 NAHRO Recommendation (a)	2010 NAHRO Recommendation (b)
Public Housing Operating Fund	\$4,200	\$5,300	\$5,500
Elderly and Disabled Service Coordinators	[\$15]	\$50	\$50
Public Housing Capital Fund	\$2,439	\$3,500	\$5,000
Resident Opportunity and Supportive Services	[\$40]	\$55	\$55
Natural Disaster/ Emergency Capital Needs			\$25
Public Housing Conversion (Incremental project based Section 8)			\$200 (e)
HOPE VI	\$100	\$800	\$800
Safety and Security	\$0	\$310	\$310
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	\$16,391 (c)		
Housing Asst. Payments	[\$14,695] (c)	\$15,400 (d)	\$16,500
Admin Fees	[\$1,351]	\$1,540	\$1,650
Special Fees (audit reimb., hard to house, LBP assessment)			\$171
Special Purpose Vouchers, Admin. Fees			\$16
FSS Coordinators	[\$49]	\$72	\$72
Tenant Protection Vouchers and Administration	[\$200]	Fully Fund	
Project Based Section 8	\$6,382	Fully Fund	Fully Fund
Community Development Fund	\$3,866		
Community Development Block Grant formula grants	[\$3,593]	\$4,500	at least \$4,500
Brownfields Economic Development Initiative	\$10	\$25	\$25
Rural Housing/ Economic Development	\$17	\$25	\$25
Section 108 Loan Guarantees	\$5	\$7	\$7
Home Investment Partnership HOME Program	\$1,704		
HOME Formula Grants	\$1,628	\$2,000	at least \$2,000
ADDI set-aside in HOME	[\$10]		\$0
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$300	\$300	\$360
Homeless Assistance Grants	\$1,586	At least \$1,636 (f)	\$2,000
Affordable Housing Production		\$1,000 (g)	
Housing Trust Fund and other programs			\$1000 (g)

Blank cells indicate no position or no recommendation for that year.

- (a) NAHRO requests are for stand-alone programs only.
- (b) Recommended funding levels do not reflect estimates of anticipated increased need for subsidy resulting from loss of jobs and wages in the current economy.
- (c) HCV figures displayed on a program-year basis, consistent with appropriations bill language. HUD documents display figures on a fiscal year basis, which blends program years.
- (d) Renewal of existing and incremental vouchers based on 2007 calendar year voucher leasing and cost data through September 30, 2007, inflated by blended BLS Consumer Price Index, Urban (CPI-U), Rent of Primary Residence component. Assumes a 96% utilization rate.
- (e) Recommended funding amount represents 2008 differential between average voucher cost and combined public housing capital and operating funding for 100,000 units. Funding

estimate assumes initial-year reprogramming of capital and operating funds as units are converted to project based assistance.

- (f) NAHRO's proposed funding level for Homeless Assistance Grants is for existing McKinney-Vento programs and does not include the administration's proposed \$50 million set-aside for the Samaritan Initiative.
- (g) NAHRO will encourage the federal government to identify and provide at least \$1 billion in new resources for distribution to state and local governments through the Housing Trust Fund and any other new programs enacted into law. Affordable housing production funding should be derived from sources other than appropriations to the extent possible.