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## NAHMA Announces Deadline for 2015 COQ Awards Submissions

*Alexandria, Va., May 14, 2015* The submission deadline for entries to the National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) 2015 Communities of Quality Awards program is Nov. 6. The [Communities of Quality](#) (COQ) Awards recognize outstanding property management companies providing the highest quality of safe, affordable multifamily rental housing in communities across the country.

To enter the 2015 COQ Awards competition, a property must first apply for and achieve [National Recognition](#) as a NAHMA Community of Quality with a minimum score of 325 points on its National Recognition Application. The deadline for submitting an application to a local AHMA for consideration in the national program is Sept. 11.

The AHMAs will be honoring their local NAHMA Communities of Quality program participants. Please check with your local AHMA for its program details. A directory of the AHMAs is available on the NAHMA website, at <http://www.nahma.org/membership/ahma-directory>.

NAHMA is pleased to announce that this year's COQ Awards program will be jointly sponsored by HD Supply Multifamily Solutions, a leading supplier of maintenance and renovation products to the multihousing industry, and Navigate Affordable Housing Partners, a leading provider of consulting and development services to public housing authorities and the HUD Section 8 Project-based contract administrator (PBCA) for Alabama, Mississippi, Virginia and Connecticut.

“NAHMA believes it is essential that outstanding affordable properties and the individuals who establish them be publicly recognized for providing quality housing that offers a safe, healthy environment,” Ken Pagano, CPM, SHCM, NAHP-e, president of NAHMA, said. “All of our properties are more than bricks and mortar. They are communities supplying essential programs and services for their residents. These awards bring valuable well-deserved attention to the important work we are all doing.”

Detailed application information and submission materials for the NAHMA COQ National Recognition and Awards programs are available on the NAHMA website at <http://www.nahma.org/awards-contests/communities-of-quality>.

The awards competition includes five categories:

- Exemplary Family Development

- Exemplary Development for the Elderly
- Exemplary Development for Residents with Special Needs
- Exemplary Development for Single Room Occupancy Housing
- Outstanding Turnaround of a Troubled Property

National Recognition applications are due to a property's local AHMA by Sept. 11. COQ Awards entry materials should be submitted directly to NAHMA by Nov. 6, c/o NAHMA COQ Awards Entry, 400 N. Columbus St., Suite 203, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Award winners will be notified in early January 2016 and will receive their awards in a special ceremony at the NAHMA 2016 winter meeting in Washington, D.C.

An overview of the COQ National Recognition program, including a quick how-to apply video and overview flowchart is available at <http://www.nahma.org/awards-contests/communities-of-quality/national-recognition-program>. To download a copy of the COQ Awards brochure, visit [http://www.nahma.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/2015\\_COQ\\_Awards\\_Brochure.pdf](http://www.nahma.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/2015_COQ_Awards_Brochure.pdf).

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#### **About NAHMA**

NAHMA is the leading voice for affordable housing management, advocating on behalf of multifamily property managers and owners whose mission is to provide quality affordable housing. NAHMA supports legislative and regulatory policy that promotes the development and preservation of decent and safe affordable housing, is a vital resource for technical education and information and fosters strategic relations between government and industry. Founded in 1990, NAHMA's membership today includes the industry's most distinguished multifamily owners and management companies. Visit [www.nahma.org](http://www.nahma.org) for more information.

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#### **About Navigate Affordable Housing Partners**

As a Joint Venture Partner with the Jefferson County Housing Authority in Birmingham, Ala., Navigate is HUD's Section 8 PBCA for Alabama, Mississippi, Virginia and Connecticut. With a strong reputation for customer service and training, Navigate oversees a portfolio of more than 70,000 units. Navigate has a history of developing, owning and managing HUD assisted properties in Alabama and also provides consulting and development services to public housing authorities. For more information, visit [www.navigatehousing.com](http://www.navigatehousing.com).

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