

## **NAHMA HUD Update: \$174 million Soon to be Available through National Housing Trust Fund**

Dear NAHMA Member,

HUD recently announced through a press release that nearly \$174 million will soon be made available through first-ever allocations of the National Housing Trust Fund.

The National Housing Trust Fund (HTF) is an affordable housing production program that is designed to complement existing Federal, state and local efforts to increase and preserve the supply of affordable housing for extremely low- and very low-income households. The HTF is capitalized through contributions by government sponsored enterprises Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and will be administered by HUD. It was authorized and created under the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA), but when Fannie and Freddie entered receivership, contributions to the Fund were suspended.

In December, 2014, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) director Mell Watt announced that that he was directing Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to begin storing and making contributions to the HTF. Beginning in 2015, the firms have been required to set aside an amount equal to .042 percent of the unpaid balance on each new single-family, multifamily, or refinance loan they purchase. Then in January, 2015, HUD published an [interim rule](#) establishing regulations that govern the administration of the HTF and the allocation formula HUD will use to determine state grant amounts.

NAHMA will continue to monitor the allocation of HTF to states, and we will alert members when additional information is made available.

To read the press release and to watch a video providing a comprehensive overview of the HTF, please [click here](#)

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