



# August Advocacy

August 2nd - Sept 3rd

## Week One

### Housing is Infrastructure

#### August 2 - August 6

Infrastructure is a top priority for the 117th Congress. We need to convince Congress that “Housing Is Infrastructure” so that they include funding for housing programs in the final package. For example, we are asking them to include \$70 billion to address the decades-long underfunding of the Public Housing Capital Fund.

## Week Three

### Voucher Services & Support

#### August 16 - August 20

The HCV program is most effective when voucher households are supported. Congress must provide robust funding for administrative fees and mobility services. Funding for these accounts ensures that public housing agencies (PHAs) have the capacity to manage their HCV programs, assist households, and encourage landlord participation.

## Week Two

### Universal Housing Vouchers

#### August 9 - August 13

Studies show that only about 1 in 5 families who qualifies for the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program receives assistance, and the pandemic has made matters worse. In order to meet the growing need for rental assistance, we are urging Congress to expand the housing choice voucher program to all eligible families.

## Week Four

### Tax Credits and Community Development Resources

#### August 23 - August 27

A variety of resources help communities produce and preserve affordable housing. We are urging Congress to increase funding to these resources, which include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program account, and to improve the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC).

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## Week Five

Fiscal Year 2022 T-HUD  
Appropriations

### August 30 - September 3

The House Appropriations Committee approved a bill that would provide a nearly 14% increase to the HUD budget for Fiscal Year 2022. The proposed funding levels include \$3.4 billion for the Public Housing Capital Fund and funding for 125,000 new Housing Choice Vouchers. We are asking the Senate to also approve funding increases for other critical HUD programs.

## Three Ways to Advocate this August

- ◇ Send advocacy letters from NAHRO's Action Alert Center ([www.NAHRO.org/advocate](http://www.NAHRO.org/advocate))
- ◇ Become a Congressional Contact ([www.NAHRO.org/contacts](http://www.NAHRO.org/contacts))
- ◇ Download the *NAHRO Advocacy App* on your smartphone.



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