



Minnesota NAHRO 2026 Annual Conference Schedule at a Glance

Wednesday – October 7, 2026		Location
9:00am – 5:00pm	Registration Open	Registration
10:00am - 11:45am	Executive Directors & Upper Management Meeting	Tinta Wita
11:15am - 11:45am	First Time Attendees Meet & Greet	Buffalo
12:00pm - 1:25pm	Conference Kick Off & Awards Lunch	Chief Red Wing
1:30pm – 3:00pm Concurrent Sessions	• LAHA and SAHA Demonstration Panel	Bear
	• Communication & Collaboration: Best Practices for Managing DEED's Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) Grants	Buffalo
	• Connecting Programs and Properties: Strategies for Engagement and Outreach	Tinta Wita
	• Voucher Financial Updates and VMS with Angie Campbell	Wolf
3:00pm - 3:15pm	Break	
3:15pm - 4:45pm Concurrent Sessions	• Make Building More Homes a Priority - It Takes All of Us	Bear
	• How To Reduce Findings on RLP Audits (Rehab)	Buffalo
	• Are You or Will You Be In Shortfall? This Roundtable Is For You!	Tinta Wita
	• Financial Management 101	Wolf
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Vendor Showcase & Networking Reception – <i>remember to bring you vendor card</i>	Waicipi
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Bowling to Benefit Minnesota NAHRO Scholarship Fund <i>Food available for purchase & cash bar at the bowling alley. Sign up at registration – Everyone welcome!</i>	Xtreme Bowling Alley
Thursday – October 8, 2026		Location
7:30am – 5:00pm	Registration Open	Registration
8:00am – 8:30am	Continental Breakfast Available	Registration
8:30am – 10:00am Concurrent Sessions	• Manufactured Homes Overview	Buffalo
	• Update from National NAHRO - Hot Topics from Washington, DC	Tinta Wita
	• Cash Management for Housing Authorities	Wolf
	• CR&D Tour: <i>Offsite, board the bus outside the hotel lobby. Space is limited to first 25 so arrive early. Returns for lunch.</i>	Hotel Lobby
10:00am - 10:15am	Break	
10:15am - 11:45am Concurrent Sessions	• Supporting Low Income Homeowners through the Bidding and Rehab Process	Buffalo
	• HOTMA is Here - Be Sure Your Implementation in on Target	Tinta Wita
	• Financial Hot Topics	Wolf
	• Employment Law Update: What Minnesota Housing Authorities Need to Know	Bear
	• CR&D Tour Continues – this will be offsite and transportation provided. Returns for lunch.	Offsite
12:00pm - 1:25pm	Lunch, Awards, Annual Meeting & Plenary Speaker	Chief Red Wing



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Thursday – October 8, 2026 continued		Location
1:30pm – 3:00pm Concurrent Sessions	• Radon Basics and Policies	Buffalo
	• Bring It Home Program: Monitoring and Disbursement	Tinta Wita
	• Connect & Comply: The New Digital Front Door for HRAs	Wolf
	• Strengthen Your Supervisory Skills Building Healthy, High-Performing Teams	Bear
3:00pm - 3:15pm	Break	
3:15pm - 4:45pm Concurrent Sessions	• Rehab Networking	Buffalo
	• Bring It Home Program: Lessons Learned During The First Year of Implementation	Tinta Wita
	• AI is Here! What It Can & Can't Do for Your HRA	Wolf
	• Advocacy 101 – Your Voice Matters!	Bear
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Vendor Showcase & Networking Reception <i>Prize drawings and raffle ticket drawing will be at the close of the reception at 6pm - must be present to win!</i>	Waicipi
6:15pm	Dinner on your own	
Friday – October 9, 2026		Location
8:30am – 10:00am	Registration Open	Registration
8:30am – 9:00am	Continental Breakfast Available	Registration
9:00am - 10:30am Concurrent Sessions	• Rehab Focus Roundtable	Buffalo
	• Ask the Attorney with Mary Dobbins	Bear
10:30am - Noon Concurrent Sessions	• Rehab Roundtable (General Discussion)	Buffalo
	• HOTMA Implementation Roundtable	Tinta Wita
11:30am - 12:30pm	Box Lunch Available for Pick Up	Registration

National Training for Maintenance *(advanced registration required)*

Maintenance is the cornerstone of asset management and is often how most residents interact with your agency on a regular basis. Our two-day national training provided by the experts at Nelrod consists of sessions tailored specifically for maintenance staff and their supervisors. Advanced registration required so no onsite option available. The training schedule is provided below.

Wednesday 1:30pm – 4:45pm Fair Housing for Maintenance: Essential Guidance for Staff Who Interact with Residents on a Daily Basis	Eagle
Thursday 8:30am - 4:45pm The Day In the Life of a Maintenance Worker Session 1: Starting Strong - Kicking Off a Productive Day Session 2: Getting It Done - Unit Turns, Work Orders, & Inspections Session 3: Staying Ahead of the Curve - Emergencies, Grounds, and the Unexpected Session 4: Wrapping It Up Right - End of Day Tasks that Set You Up for Tomorrow	Eagle