

## COMMITTEE REPORT

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### Housing Committee

Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians  
2024 Winter Convention  
Portland Oregon

#### DISCUSSION

- Jad Atallah Director from the ONAP headquarters in Washington DC gave a brief update that included information about a recent executive order that focuses on the funding needs of Tribes and how to create equity in available funds. Jad also gave information about the PRICE program a HUD program that assists Tribes with the purchase of or rehab of manufactured homes. He also gave information about the Youth Homelessness systems improvement grant, to assist youth homelessness on Tribal Reservations.
- Tom Carney and David Boyd from the Northwest ONAP office in Seattle gave an update and report that included the new software GEMS that tribes will now be using to submit their IHP and financial information. David also provided information about upcoming trainings that are available through HUD and the codetalk web site. David also spoke about the 184 skilled workers demonstration program available to Tribes to help Tribal members gain skills while providing housing opportunities.
- Maria Danz Grants Management specialist led a discussion about the rules and regulations pertaining to the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG). Jad Atallah followed this discussion with an explanation of how HUD is working with Tribes across the country to determine what regulations should be changed to assist Tribes and make the grants more accessible.
- Antone Minthorn made a recommendation that a resolution is needed to assist Tribes with resolving the housing issues along the Columbia River. He made comment that the housing that was built there, is now in poor condition and we cannot wait any longer to resolve the housing issues. A discussion followed with other Tribal leaders voicing the same recommendation. It was recommended that HUD may be able to help negotiate among all Tribes involved.

#### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AND RECOMMENDED TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- No Resolutions adopted for general assembly

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