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## Semi-Annual Membership Meeting June 13, 2012

*Downtown Marriott, Trenton*



Keynote Address

Secretary Shaun Donovan

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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**9-10 Registration, Networking & Continental Breakfast**

**Remarks:**

Linda Couch, Senior VP for Policy & Research  
National Low Income Housing Coalition

**10-11:30 Plenary Panel Presentation**

Economic Resurgence and Equity—  
Finding the Balance for Healthy Communities

Moderator: *Richard Roper*  
(*autoKthonous Market Solutions*)

Panelists  
*Adam Zipkin (City of Newark); Valerie Jackson (City of Orange); Patrick Morrissy (HANDS); Jon Carnegie, (Rutgers University); Vivian Baker (NJ Transit)*

**11:45 - 1:15 Networking Lunch**

**Keynote Address**

*The Honorable Shaun Donovan*  
*Secretary*

*U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*

**1:30 - 3:00 Working Sessions (Concurrent)**



Creative Housing Strategies (Salon C-1st Floor)  
*Harold Simon (National Housing Institute), Rhonda Lewis (LISC, Newark), John Murray (NJHMFA)*



Developing Housing Options in the Suburbs (Mercer-2nd Floor)  
*Laura Smith-Denker (Fair Share Housing Center), Matt Reilly (MEND), Curtis Johnson (Diocesan Housing Services Corporation of the Diocese of Camden, Inc.)*



Community Safety Initiatives (Hamilton-2nd Floor)  
*Patrick Durkin (Interfaith Neighbors); Moses Saygbe Jr (National Crime Prevention Council); Sergeant Dalton Price & Sergeant Sharon Easton (Paterson Police Department)*

**Plenary Panel Presentation**

**Economic Resurgence and Equity—Finding the Balance for Healthy Communities**

This session will explore the key challenge for those of us struggling with the task of revitalizing urban neighborhoods: how to build a stronger market and healthier neighborhoods and downtowns, while ensuring that the community's lower-income residents benefit from the revitalization taking place. Panelists will discuss how these issues are being addressed in revitalization efforts in Newark and Orange, as well as lay out some resources and opportunities available to assist communities through the new North Jersey HUD Sustainable Communities consortium and through NJ Transit.

**Working Sessions**



**Creative Housing Strategies**

This session will explore creative housing strategies and rental options for a challenging homeownership market. Topics will include: long-term affordability through shared equity and community land trusts; rental to homeownership strategies; alternative development solutions for challenging market conditions; and a look at the 4% tax credit program as a viable alternative for financing your neighborhood revitalization strategy.



**Developing Housing Options in the Suburbs**

What is happening with New Jersey's constitutional housing obligation under Mt. Laurel? Hear the latest on when the courts will rule, what is happening with COAH, and what is happening with the Municipal Housing Trust Funds. Hear from non-profits who are working to develop housing choices in the suburbs during this time of uncertainty. How are they accessing Trust Funds, what other sources of funding are they using, how are they convincing towns to work with them? Discuss these issues with your peers so we can learn from each other.



**Community Safety Initiatives**

This session will look at strategies CDCs in neighborhoods plagued with public safety issues can pursue to address those challenges, highlighting best practices that communities can adopt to maintain safety and a positive quality of life. Topics include Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) and the community policing model, which hinges on forging a close partnership between the police department and residents who live in the community. Several NJ CDCs will be on hand to discuss their progress in improving public safety in their neighborhood with the help of these and other strategies, and we will discuss a few funding opportunities available for this work.