



Louisiana Statewide Homeownership Think Tank Roundtable

“Building on the Past: Creating Generational Wealth through Homeownership!”

9:00 – 3:00 (CDT)

Friday, September 8, 2023

8:30 a.m. Check-in, Workstreams/Exhibit Tables and Networking

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Brenda Evans, Director of Homeownership, Louisiana Housing Corporation

9:05 a.m. Introduction & Acknowledgement of Special Guests

Joshua G. Hollins, Executive Director, Louisiana Housing Corporation

Alfred E. Harrell, III, Chairman, Louisiana Housing Corporation

Special Guest Speakers

Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome, City of Baton and East Baton Rouge Parish

Candace Valenzuela, Regional Administrator, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Region VI

Chancellor John Pierre, Southern University Law Center

9:30 a.m. Highlighting Federal Regulatory Initiatives that Promote Affordable Homeownership

Exclusive insights from federal regulators on how they are working to grow minority household wealth by increasing minority homeownership.

Moderator

Amanda Thomas-Wilson, Acting Community Affairs Specialist, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Speakers

Scarlett Duplechain, Community Affairs Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Ashley Emerson, Senior Community Affairs Specialist, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Nicole Whaley, Problem Case Officer, National Credit Union Administration

10:30 a.m. Increasing Access to Homeownership: An Open Discussion on Homeownership Challenges from Both Sides

A fireside chat with Louisiana financial institutions and a new homeowner who will interact with participants (through live polling) to gain insight and perspective about real and perceived barriers to homeownership, especially for prospective first-time home buyers.

Moderator

Natasha McAdoo, ACCESS Program Officer Office of the Executive Director National Credit Union Administration

Panelists

Sophie L. Philizaire, Program Analyst, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, New Homeowner

Paul Catalano, VP of Commercial and Mortgage Lending, OnPath FCU

Kelvin Luster, SVP, Community Development Director, Home Bank

Chad Miller, CCE, President/CEO, Southwest Louisiana Credit Union

Shawn M Rogers, AVP Community Lending, Red River Bank

11:30 p.m. Break for Working Lunch**12:00 p.m. Single-Family Housing Programs: Access to Affordable Resources**

A discussion with state and local Single Family Housing Programs that give families and individuals the opportunity to buy or build homes that provide homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals and families.

Moderator

Crystal Jones-Taylor, Acting Field Office Director, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Panelists

Mack H. McCraney, Jr, Area Director, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Dexter Alexander, Marketing & Business Development Officer, Louisiana Housing Corporation

J. Wesley Daniels, Jr, CEO, East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority

Brenda Breaux, Executive Director, New Orleans Redevelopment Authority

Nicole Barnes, Executive Director, Jericho Road Episcopal Housing Initiative

1:00 p.m. 10-minute Break & Workstreams/Exhibit Tables and Networking**1:10 p.m. Scalable Housing Models: Could Manufactured Housing Be the Answer to Our Nationwide Housing Shortage?****Moderator**

Paula Pete, Executive Director of Housing and Special Projects, Family Resources of New Orleans

Panelists

Dwanita S. Roberts, CEO/Founder, Derrick Clyburn Ballard, Partner, Clean Tech Development Institute

Fred Townsend, Oak Creek Homes

Elmer Vincent, Owner, Meaux Services

Milton Kobus, Marketing Director, Apis Corp

James Ramey, Housing Developer/Owner, Zero Wall

2:10 p.m. **Breaking Barriers: Identifying Affordable Housing Tools and Removing Restrictive Zoning and Cost Challenges**
Chairperson
Dwanita S. Roberts, CEO/Founder | Clean Tech Development Institute
Co-Chairperson
Mary Adams Thomas, Housing Consultant | Alpha Management and Consulting Services

2:40 p. m. **Workstreams/Exhibit Tables and Networking**

Adjournment

Brenda Evans, Director of Homeownership | Louisiana Housing Corporation