



# NCDA

National Community Development Association

Region 1 – New England  
Fall Conference  
Sheraton Springfield Monarch Place Hotel  
Springfield, MA

AGENDA (as of August 16, 2019)

October 17-18, 2019

Arrival Evening - Wednesday October 16, 2019

Arrival Evening Event at Location TBD

Day 1 – Thursday, October 17, 2019

8:30 Buffet Breakfast and Registration/Networking

9:00 Welcoming Remarks

Alicia Zoeller, NCDA Region 1 President, City of Holyoke, MA

Dominic Sarno, Mayor, City of Springfield, MA

9:15 NCDA Update and Paul Poulos Achievement Award Presentation

Patrick Spillane, Past President, NCDA National President, City of New Bedford, MA OR

Dale Cook, President, NCDA National President, City of Palm Springs, CA

Vicki Watson, Executive Director, NCDA

10:00 HUD Update and Q&A's

Robert D. Shumeyko, CPD Regional Director, HUD Region I Field Office (Boston)

Alanna C. Kabel, CPD Director, HUD Hartford Office

11:00 Climate Change and Natural Disaster: Planning and Recovery Panel Discussion

*Using CDBG and HOME to address climate change and natural disaster planning. Accessing CDBG-DR post-disaster. Case studies of revitalization after natural disasters or other unforeseen circumstances.*

Moderator:

Panelists:

12:00 Buffet Lunch & Networking

1:00 Breakout Sessions (Choice of One):

**(A) Microenterprise Programs- Successes and Challenges**

**Moderator:**

**Speaker:**

**(B) Best Management Practices in Public Services**

**Moderator:**

**Speaker:**

**(C) Fair Housing Primer and Best Practices**

**Moderator:**

**Speaker:** Massachusetts Fair Housing Center, Holyoke, MA

**2:15 Break**

**2:45 Board buses for City of Holyoke Projects Tour**

**3:00 City of Holyoke Projects Tour**

**4:30 Welcome by Mayor Alex Morse and Evening Reception in Holyoke**

**6:00 Buses return to Springfield for Dinner (On Your Own)**

**9:00 Hospitality Suite**

**Day 2 – Friday, October 18, 2019**

**8:30 Buffet Breakfast and Annual Region I Business Meeting**

**9:00 Implicit Bias and Moral Analysis**

*In depth look at how implicit bias factors into resource allocation and the provision of services to those most in need.*

**Moderator:**

**Speakers:** Dr. Peter DePergola, Baystate Medical Center

**10:30 City of Springfield Downtown Walking (or BUS) Tour of CDBG and HOME Investments OR**

**10:30 Ask the Experienced Practitioner / What If's in Roundtable Discussion Format**

*Experienced HOME and CDBG practitioners will be on hand to answer your most pressing questions submitted anonymously. What If's Roundtables will present real life scenarios for group discussion and the best practices for management of those scenarios including handling findings and monitoring of sub-recipients.*

**12:00 Buffet Lunch & Networking**

**1:30 Region I Board Meeting (Board Members Only)**