NAHRO is useful to those with an interest in public housing and redevelopment. National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, 1320 18th Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20036 (202) 429-2960

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Aside from acting as an information exchange and lobbying group, NAHRO sponsors a number of professional development seminars across the country and runs accreditation courses for public housing managers on behalf of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

A diverse membership of professionals, public housing managers, local government officials and academics meets annually in October at the NAHRO convention (to be held in 1988 in New York from Oct. 25-28). Registration costs are approximately \$330.

Membership of approximately \$25 includes a discount on professional development courses and subscription to the bi-weekly "NAHRO Monitor" and monthly "Journal of Housing"(in which advertising space is available). The Association also publishes a directory of its publications.

National Association of Home Builders, Fifteenth and M Streets N.W., Washington D.C. (202) 822-0200

NAHB is a federation of local builder associations that acts as the industry's prime lobbying force at the national level. In addition, it has a strong research department and publishes a weekly newspaper "Nation's Building News" for members only. NAHB sponsors over 200 seminars and workshops across the country each year. Two national conferences are also held: the "Membership Parade and Homes Convention" (to be held in Fort Worth, Texas between April 23-24 in 1988) and a national convention focussing on policy issues and emerging development trends affecting the industry (to be held in Dallas from January 15-18 in 1988).

NAHB's conferences and publications are excellent sources of information and contacts in the residential sector.