



## MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGIONAL COUNCIL-NAHRO

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO: NAHRO Board of Governors**  
**FROM: Regina Mitchell, President**  
**SUBJECT: MARC Regional Report**

This report reflects activity since the BOG last convened in July 2017. MARC NAHRO held its first stand-alone conference “*One Hope, One Mission, One Voice: Strategies for Change,*” on August 17-18 at the Renaissance Downtown Washington, DC hotel (partnered with states in the past). The District of Columbia Housing Authority were gracious hosts and sponsored a study tour. HUD Secretary Ben Carson and NAHRO Senior Vice President Carl Richie presented at the opening plenary session and NAHRO CEO Adrienne Todman delivered the keynote address at the closing plenary session. Additionally, candidates for NAHRO senior vice president addressed the delegation. Concurrent session speakers included distinguished industry professionals with in-depth knowledge about a myriad of hot industry topics that both sparked new and innovative takeaway ideas. Attendees were afforded the opportunity to sit for any NAHRO certification examination and attend a seminar on RAD (with examination). The exhibit hall was full to capacity and the conference program featured numerous ads and sponsorships. Lastly, the region held a 50/50 raffle for the benefit of its newly established Gilliam, Milan, Moyer, and Smith Memorial Scholarship, which will fund tuition and/or certification examination fees for NAHRO Professional Development offerings.

This past spring, I formed a working group to examine the bylaws through the lenses of practicality, technological advances and other perspectives. The working group, chaired by Senior Vice President Mahon, presented numerous amendments to the region’s executive board for approval, which were then sent to the MARC NAHRO membership for vote. We are hopeful that the national Member Services Committee will act favorably on the amendments and submit them to the BOG for action at its meeting on October 28.

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Member Services: Kathryn Walter – Housing Authority of the County of Beaver  
Professional Development: Eric Brown—Housing Authority of Prince Georges County

2018 Regional Housing America Poster Contest Winners

Savannah – Pasadena, MD High School Category

Jake – Bayonne, NJ – Middle School Category

Jonathan – Bayonne, NJ –Elementary School Category

MARC NAHRO Merit Scholarship winner – Arianna Hall, Wilmington, DE

Regional Certificates of Achievement were presented to nine agencies, the recipients of national NAHRO Awards of Merit.

MARC NAHRO will partner with the Pennsylvania Association for its 2018 conference scheduled June 24-27 in Hershey, PA.