



Press Release

Elizabeth Glenn Receives International Housing and Community Development Award

Washington, D.C. (October 16, 2017) – Elizabeth “Liz” Glenn of Essex, Maryland was named the 2017 recipient of the John D. Lange International Award from the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials' (NAHRO). An award presentation will be held on October 28 at the NAHRO National Conference in Pittsburgh, Pa.

"Liz's international work has provided NAHRO with vital and varied perspectives on affordable housing and community development worldwide," said Adrienne Todman, NAHRO Chief Executive Officer. "The knowledge and wisdom that she brings back she from other countries helps us more effectively serve those who need safe, decent and affordable housing in our own."

Glenn's international credentials include being a member of the U.S. State Department's official delegation to Habitat II in 1996 and again at Habitat III in 2016. She was appointed by the United Nations as a Policy Expert on Urban Services and Technology as part of the preparation of the New Urban Agenda, approved by 193 nation states at Habitat III in October of 2016.

In 2014, she participated in a planning and design panel in the Pont de Claix, France and gave a presentation on cultural competence in affordable housing development at an affordable housing conference in Lyon, France. She also had the honor of presenting on cultural competence in affordable housing development in Wuxi City, China and in Stellenbosch, South Africa. Additionally, Glenn was a member of NAHRO's 2009 delegation to Shanghai, China and explored affordable housing and community development in Shanghai and in Hangzhou. She served as the first Vice President for the newly reconfigured International Research and Global Exchange (IRGE) committee in 2013-2015, and as Vice Chair of the International Committee in 2011-2013. She has served on NAHRO's International Committees since 2007.

The Lange award was established in 1983 in the name of John D. Lange, Executive Director of NAHRO from 1951 to 1970, who actively participated throughout his professional career in international exchange and, in his retirement, carried out executive service assignments in Argentina, Indonesia, and the Philippines.

About NAHRO

NAHRO, established in 1933, is a membership organization of nearly 20,000 housing and community development agencies and professionals throughout the United States whose mission is to create affordable housing and safe, viable communities that enhance the quality of life for all Americans, especially those of low- and moderate-income. NAHRO's membership administers more than 3 million housing units for 7.9 million people.

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