The following agenda is tentative and subject to change.

7:30 AM: Registration Opens/Continental Breakfast – Registrants should arrive by 8:30 AM

9:00-10:45 AM: Workshop Choices

Option 1 – Fair Housing and the Rights of Those with Disabilities (Rental Focus): At this workshop, attendees will learn about “People First Language,” and the historical background on why terms like “handicap” and “wheelchair bound” are offensive; what are reasonable accommodations and modifications, when they should be provided by housing providers and new case law; and an introduction to the US Supreme Court’s Olmstead decision which requires states to eliminate unnecessary housing segregation of persons with disabilities and to ensure that persons with disabilities receive services in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs.

- Moderator: Deb McCarty, Executive Director, Back Home in Indiana Alliance
- Amber O’Haver, Housing Program Coordinator, accessABILITY
- Tom Crishon, Staff Attorney, Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services
- Rodney Stockment, Research and Innovations, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority

Option 2 – Fair Housing and Indiana Housing Protections for Domestic Violence Survivors (Rental Focus): Gaining access to and maintaining affordable housing is essential to helping survivors of domestic violence, stalking and sexual assault to escape abusive relationships and start new lives free of violence. The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) protects individuals applying for or living in federally subsidized housing from being discriminated against because of their status as survivors of such assaults. Survivors who do not live in subsidized housing, and therefore are not covered by VAWA, may still be protected by fair housing laws. Additionally, Indiana has enacted specific protections for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking under Landlord/Tenant Law. At this workshop, you will learn about these
laws to ensure housing choice in public and private housing for survivors.

- Moderator: Matt Rayburn, Chief Real Estate Development Officer, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority
- Sara Pratt, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Programs, US Department of Housing & Urban Development
- Kerry Blomquist, Legal Director, Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Caryn Burton, Training Director, Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence

**Option 3 – Ensuring Housing Opportunity For New Immigrants and Due to National Origin (Rental Focus):** In a 2013 report, the FHCCI identified levels of housing discrimination against Hispanics/Latinos at rates of 70%. National reports have also found significant levels of housing discrimination due to national origin. In this workshop, learn about recent reports and filed fair housing cases to ensure equal housing opportunity regardless of ethnicity or national origin. Attendees will also learn when federally assisted housing providers are required to provide meaningful access to people with limited English proficiency (LEP) and how to welcome those new to our country, including resources available to the housing industry.

- Moderator: Maria Wildridge, Latino Services Director, Marion County Prosecutor’s Office
- Maurice McGough, Regional Director-Chicago Fair Housing Office, US Department of Housing & Urban Development
- Chris Purnell, Staff Attorney, Neighborhood Christian Legal Services
- James Budden, Housing Manager, Exodus Refugee Immigration
- Bernard Kleina, Retired Executive Director, HOPE Fair Housing

**Option 4 – A Review of the Foreclosure Crisis and How Neighborhoods of Color Were Targeted with Discriminatory Practices (Sales & Lending Focus):** Most people remain unaware of the fair housing cases filed post-foreclosure crisis uncovering examples of predatory lending that persons of color, regardless of credit health, were targeted with predatory practices (including in Indiana). At this workshop, hear about these cases and what was uncovered, and attempts to remedy the harm that occurred. Attendees will also learn about previous cases which identified racial redlining and common forms of sales discrimination so as to identify any such discrimination in the future.

- Moderator: Brian Philps, Outreach and Communications Project Manager, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority
- Amy Nelson, Executive Director, Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana
- Jonathan Bont, Assistant Attorney, United States Attorney’s Office-Southern District of Indiana
- Jim McCarthy, President/CEO, Miami Valley Fair Housing Center

**10:45-11:00 AM: Break**

**11:00 AM-12:45 PM: Workshop Choices**

**Option 1 – Ensuring Inclusiveness in Sales and Lending for Those with Disabilities (Sales & Lending Focus):** Persons with disabilities often face barriers in their attempt to purchase a
home. In this workshop, attendees will hear about recent efforts by the federal government to address discrimination in lending against those with disabilities; learn about efforts to ensure basic accessible features in the construction of single-family homes (called visitability); and discussion on fair housing cases challenging homeowner associations (HOAs) who refuse to provide reasonable accommodations or modifications to people with disabilities in a development’s covenant or other policies.

- Moderator: Kim Opsahl, Executive Director, INARF
- Sara Pratt, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Programs, US Department of Housing & Urban Development
- Amber O’Haver, Housing Program Coordinator, accessABILITY
- Melissa Keyes, Legal Services Director, Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services

Option 2 – The Impact of Gender on Fair Housing Choice (Rental, Sales & Lending Focus):
Despite gender (sex) being added as a protected class to the federal Fair Housing Act in 1974, housing discrimination continues to exist. HUD and DOJ have recently uncovered all too frequent levels of discrimination in lending as they relate to maternity leave income requirements. In addition, sexual harassment in rental transactions continues at a much too high level including an occasional case in lending. Female headed households are also common victims of housing discrimination due to the presence of minor children. At this workshop, hear about efforts to address this type of harmful housing discrimination.

- Moderator: Phillip Shelton, Director FHEO, US Department of Housing & Urban Development
- Marcy Wenzler, Director, Housing Law Center, Indiana Legal Services
- Maury McGough, Regional Director-Chicago Fair Housing Office, US Department of Housing & Urban Development:
- John Petruszak, Executive Director, South Suburban Housing Center

Option 3 – Ensuring Fair Housing for LGBT Persons (Rental, Sales & Lending Focus):
The National Alliance to End Homelessness estimates that gay and transgender youth make up approximately 20% of homeless youth nationwide, and the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has suggested that the number may be as high as 40%. Another report found that 19% of transgender people had been refused a home or an apartment because of their identity, and 11% had been evicted because of discrimination. Recent federal guidance has added needed housing discrimination protections for LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) persons in housing transactions. At this workshop, hear what the guidance does and does not protect, and recent HUD and state cases to ensure LGBT housing equality in public and private housing transactions (including homeless shelters and lending transactions). You will also learn how to confront unfair stereotypes due to gender identity and/or expression and become a supportive advocate.

- Moderator: Jeremy Turner, Director of Housing Services, The Damien Center
- Yana Karnaukhov, Regional LGBT Coordinator, US Department of Housing & Urban Development-Chicago Office
- Jim McCarthy, President/CEO, Miami Valley Fair Housing Center
- Marissa Miller, Program Director, Brothers United/Indiana TRANS-Empowerment
Option 4 – Maintaining Our Curb Appeal and What Does and Does Not Affect Property Values (Sales & Lending Focus): As the foreclosure crisis has affected 1 in 69 households across the United States, a related crisis has emerged - one in which vacant and/or abandoned properties mar once vibrant, well-maintained neighborhoods. But this problem has not affected all neighborhoods equally. This workshop will focus on the work of fair housing organizations to address discriminatory practices in the marketing and maintenance of REO properties in neighborhoods of color. Discussion will include recent studies and reports on the health impact of living near abandoned structures. You will also hear about legislative efforts to mandate basic maintenance in vacant housing and community efforts to get homes occupied and how Hardest Hit Funds are being implemented in Indiana. Finally, there are several misconceptions about what does and does not affect property values which will be discussed.

- Moderator: Rayanna Binder, Program Director, Hardest Hit Fund Blight Elimination, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority
- Amy Nelson, Executive Director, Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana
- Mark Neyland, Director of Asset Preservation, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority
- Katy Brett, Executive Director, Renew Indianapolis
- Joshua Abel, Executive Director, Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic

12:45-1:00 PM: Break

1:00-3:30 PM: Lunch, Fair Housing Program and Keynote Address
- Fair Housing in Action Hear about How Fair Housing is Working in Our Communities
  - Central Indiana Accessibility Partnership Project
  - Confronting Discrimination
  - Community Reinvestment Projects
- Keynote Address, Carlotta Walls LaNier, Little Rock Nine Foundation
- Closing Comments

3:30 PM: Book Signing with Ms. LaNier

A book signing with Ms. LaNier will follow the closing comments. Copies of her book will be available for purchase (cash or check) at the conference.