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GENERAL NEWS

OLHCHH Announces Healthy Homes Month

HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes ([OLHCHH](#)) has announced that June 2020 is the fifth annual National Healthy Homes Month ([NHHM](#)). This year's theme, "Healthy Housing for All," highlights the importance of safe and healthy living, no matter the address, through stressing the importance of home maintenance and highlighting the connection between health and the internal environment. Specifically, this year's National Healthy Homes Month focuses on the following:

- Raising awareness of the importance of home maintenance and its impact on health
- Educating the public about available free local resources
- Encouraging the implementation of online activities and events in targeted communities

HUD has posted an NHHM [Campaign Resource Toolkit](#) and other resources to help encourage local implementation. You can find links to these and other related materials on the [NHHM page](#) at [HUD's website](#).

PD&R Publishes New Issue of *Cityscape*

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research ([PD&R](#)) has published the first issue of [Cityscape](#) for 2020. The theme for this [issue](#) is a symposium on housing tenure and financial security. Articles that may be of interest include:

- [Homeownership Experiences Following Criminal Justice Contact](#)
- [The Potential for Shared Equity and Other Forms of Downpayment Assistance to Expand Access to Homeownership](#)
- [Measuring Homelessness and Resources to Combat Homelessness with PIT and HIC Data](#)
- [Toward Implementation of a National Housing Insecurity Research Module](#)
- [FEMA Puts New Data on the Map for Policymakers](#)

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HUD Announces Latest in ConnectHome Webinar Series

The Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has announced that it will be hosting the latest in its series of [training webinars](#) on the [ConnectHome](#) initiative. The webinar series is meant to serve as guidance to help ConnectHome participating communities achieve their goals in connecting households to broadband and assisting communities in their digital inclusion and digital literacy efforts. As such, the series is relevant for PHA staff and community members responsible for ConnectHome program implementation.

The latest scheduled webinar, titled “[Cox Communications Connect2Compete and Post-COVID-19 Plans](#),” will discuss Cox Communications’ affordable internet offer, Connect2Compete, detailing recent efforts to support residential customers during the COVID-19 pandemic and plans to continue to expand digital access and literacy afterwards. The webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020, from 2:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern time. Click [here](#) for more information, including instructions on how to register.



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