

# *19th Annual WI-CARH Conference*

*November 3, 2016*

*Kalahari Resort & Convention Center*

*Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin*

## **CONFERENCE AGENDA:**

7:30 – 8:30	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>	5:00 – 7:00	<b>Reception</b> - All are invited to join us in the Ivory Coast Lounge for delicious hor d'oeuvres. Relax and network with fellow conference goers - a great way to end your conference day.
8:30 – 9:00	<b>Welcome &amp; Opening Remarks</b> by WI-CARH President, Russell Kaney and State Director, Stan Gruszynski		
9:00 – 10:00	<b>Overcoming Communication Barriers</b> - Elaine Simpson		
10:00 - 10:30	<b>Break with Exhibitors</b> - Introductions of exhibitors and time to visit exhibitor booths.		<b>Featured Speakers Include:</b>
10:30 – 11:30	<b>Updates Panel</b> - Representatives from RD & WHEDA will provide the latest updates and how they may affect your properties, allowing time for Q&As.		Stan Gruszynski, State Director USDA-Rural Development
11:30 - 12:00	<b>Focus on Washington</b> - Colleen Fisher, Executive Director of the Council for Affordable and Rural Housing, joins us with current insight on funding and programs impacting the rural housing industry.		Donna Huebner, MFH Program Director USDA-Rural Development
12:00 – 1:30	<b>Lunch Provided</b> - Brief Luncheon Program for WI-CARH's Awards and Scholarship Program.		Debbie Biga, Multi-Family Housing Specialist USDA-Rural Development
1:30 - 1:45	<b>General Membership Meeting</b>		Cheryl Halvorson, Area Specialist USDA-Rural Development
1:45- 3:15	<b>Bottom Line or Punch Line</b> - Kent Rader		David Sheperd, Commercial Lending Officer WHEDA
3:15 - 3:30	<b>Break with Exhibitors</b>		Colleen Fisher, Executive Director Council for Affordable & Rural Housing (CARH)
3:30 – 4:00	<b>Understanding the Lease</b> - Doug Buck		
4:00 – 5:00	<b>Strategies for Improving Your RD Properties</b> – Debbie Biga & Cheryl Halvorson		
5:00	<b>Closing Comments &amp; Final Raffle Drawing</b> - As our 19 <sup>th</sup> annual WI-CARH conference comes to a close, we thank all our sponsors, exhibitors and our guests for attending and making our conference a success.		