

A Breakfast with U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro



The mission of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. HUD works to strengthen the housing market to bolster the economy and protect consumers; meet the need for quality affordable rental homes; utilize housing as a platform for improving the quality of life; and build inclusive and sustainable communities free from discrimination. Since 2015, HUD has been working on [ConnectHome](#), a new initiative with communities, the private sector, and the federal government to expand high-speed broadband to more families in HUD-assisted housing across the country.

Meeting Participants Included:

U.S. Conference of Mayors Vice Chair William A. Bell, Sr.
U.S. Conference of Mayors City Birmingham Advisor Ralph Cook
Gerard Fox Law Associate Lauren Greene
Jack Kemp Foundation President Jimmy Kemp
Urban Institute Housing Finance Policy Center Co-Director Alanna McCargo
Center for Urban Renewal and Education National Director Rev. Derek McCoy
Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies President & CEO Floyd Mori
Personamed Inc. Owner Bruce Newby
National Action Network Policy and Programs Advisor, DC Bureau Magalie Normil
Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies President Spencer Overton
Corporation for Enterprise Development Affordable Homeownership Director Doug Ryan
INSIGHT America Founder Elroy Sailor
Comcast Senior Director of Government and External Affairs Tony Williams