

RURAL RENTAL HOUSING ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS, INC.

# 43<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW

**JULY 18-20, 2023** 



OMNI CORPUS CHRISTI HOTEL
900 NORTH SHORELINE BOULEVARD
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78401
361.887.1600

# **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

RRHA's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention and Trade Show will be held July 18-20, 2023 at the Omni Corpus Christi Hotel, 900 North Shoreline Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401. Telephone numbers are: direct - 361.887.1600, Omni Reservations Toll Free Number: 888-444.6664, or <a href="https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/corpus-christi/meetings/rrha-annual-conference-2023-07172023">https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/corpus-christi/meetings/rrha-annual-conference-2023-07172023</a> - Group code: 071423RRHAANNUA

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Reservations must be made directly with the Omni Corpus Christi Hotel by June 26<sup>th</sup> directly at 361.887.1600, toll free at 888.444.6664, <a href="https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/corpus-christi/meetings/rrha-annual-conference-2023-07172023">https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/corpus-christi/meetings/rrha-annual-conference-2023-07172023</a> -- group code: <a href="mailto:071423RRHAANNUA">071423RRHAANNUA</a>, or for anyone needing to book more than 10 rooms, you may call Mellisa at 361-886-3576. To receive the special room rate, \$149 for single or double occupancy, you must be enrolled in RRHA's convention and trade show. After June 26<sup>th</sup>, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis and prices may vary. Changes and cancellations should also be made directly with the hotel. Hotel will extend the discounted group rate 2 days pre and 2 days post, based on hotel availability.

- > **GUEST ROOM** | \$149 (single or double) .... Group room rate honored 2 days pre and post *based on availability*
- > PARKING | Self-parking \$5.00 daily ..... Valet \$20.00 daily
- ➤ **COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE SERVICE** (provided by the Hotel) to and from Corpus Christi International Airport for hotel guests.

Services provided by: Southwest Airlines | American Airlines | United Airlines https://corpuschristiairport.com/

> INTERNET | Complimentary wireless internet access in guest rooms and lobby area

#### **REGISTRATION POLICIES**

Your 2023 dues must be paid to enroll at the member rate. If your Project is not a current member of Rural Rental Housing Association of Texas and you are not an Associate member, please enroll at the nonmember rate. Your registration fee must be received by **June 26, 2023** to take advantage of the early registration rate. After **June 26**th, you must pay the full fee. All registration forms must be accompanied by payment in full, or approved billing. RRHA of Texas accepts MasterCard, Visa, and American Express for payment of services and products. A 3% processing fee will be added to all payments made by credit card. This fee will be due at the time of credit card payment and is non-refundable.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellations received in writing to the RRHA office by July 1<sup>st</sup> will receive a full refund. Requests made from July 2-10, will receive a refund minus a 20% processing fee. No refunds will be issued after July 10<sup>th</sup>. Transfer of a registration to a colleague is free of charge but must be received by RRHA by Friday, July 14, 2023.

#### **REGISTRATION HOURS**

Pre-registered attendees may pick up their packets from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. You may enroll on-site during convention hours. The registration/information desk will typically be open beginning at 7:30 a.m. during the convention.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION, CONTINUED**

## SPOUSE/CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

No formal spouse or children's programs are planned. To participate in convention activities, spouse/children must be enrolled at the appropriate rate. A parent or guardian must accompany children at all times for RRHA events.

#### **EXHIBITORS**

Booths are available at a cost of \$600 for RRHA of Texas members and \$725 for non-members for the entire trade show. Each exhibitor is provided one full registration with the purchase of a booth. Full registration includes seminars, refreshment breaks, trade show, lunches, dinners, and other networking events. If a second, or any additional person in the booth, wants a full registration to all planned activities, the price will be \$350; otherwise, individual event tickets can be purchased. Set-up personnel may gain entrance to the exhibition area beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, and breakdown must be completed by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday. Accommodations for only two representatives are provided at each booth.

#### **ATTIRE**

Obviously, we want to dress appropriately for each event. Attire is casual throughout the convention; therefore, no ties or formal wear are required. Casual business wear is suitable for convention activities within the hotel, including training sessions. You may choose to dress even more casual and comfortable for special events and activities outside the hotel.

#### **BADGE IDENTIFICATION**

Your name badge is your official passport to all on-premise convention activities and trade show and should be worn to all events.

#### **PRIZE DRAWINGS**

Prize drawings for paid registrants will be conducted as shown on the agenda. Your name tag will be used for prize drawings and you must be present and show your badge to be eligible as a prize winner. Door prize winners will be not be eligible for subsequent door prize drawings; however, all winners will be returned to the drawing box for the grand finale drawings.

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND** ... we will be raffling off numerous really nice gift baskets. Raffle to be held on Thursday afternoon/evening.



Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

ALL PROCEEDS FROM BASKET SALES WILL BENEFIT
THE RRHA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

#### **SPECIAL NEEDS**

If any attendee needs accommodations such as additional space for a wheelchair at a seminar table, a reserved seat or other assistance for those with physical, hearing or visual disabilities in order to participate in any convention activity, please talk to an RRHA of Texas staff person at the registration/information desk. Every effort will be made to accommodate your needs.

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### WELCOME & OPENING SESSION | WEDNESDAY MORNING

President Cheryl Rogers will open the meeting with a special welcome to all convention attendees and give her "State of the Association" address. The winners of the RRHA of Texas "Site Manager of the Year" awards will be announced and honored at this time.

#### AWARDS LUNCHEON | WEDNESDAY NOON

President Rogers will announce and honor our Certified Rural Housing Manager recipients and introduce and recognize our Diamond Sponsors.

### DANCE THROUGH THE DECADES PARTY | WEDNESDAY NIGHT



It's a blast from the past of mega proportions with this "Dancing Through the Decades" Party as it takes you on a dazzling whirlwind tour of the decades from the 1920s to the 1990s. A celebration of the music from across the decades from 'Howl at the Moon' dueling pianos. Featuring top-of-the-line entertainers and a dynamic live music experience that will

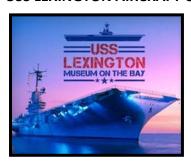
get every guest on their feet. "Howl2Go" is a sing-along, drink-along, have one-heckuva good time. The nature of this theme dictates that the party attire should be 1) roaring 20's; 2) dirty 30's; 3) fabulous 40's; 4) nifty 50's; 5) swingin' 60's; 6) super 70's; 7) big 80's; and 8) grungy 90's. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE "BEST DRESSED" IN EACH DECADE REPRESENTED. So

come and be ready to get this night howlin'!

# NETWORKING | REFRESHMENTS | BASKET RAFFLES | DOOR PRIZES | THURSDAY NIGHT

Following our last session of the convention, we will make time to sip & socialize (unwind) ... come enjoy refreshments, basket raffles, and door prizes.

## USS LEXINGTON AIRCRAFT CARRIER - MUSEUM ON THE BAY | THURSDAY NIGHT



On the last night of the convention, come join us for this unique idea for entertainment! This event will be held aboard the 'Blue Ghost' of World War II fame – the USS Lexington. The Lexington is as tall as a 19-story building and as long as three New York City blocks. One of the most decorated aircraft carriers in the history of naval aviation is now one of the top ten attraction in the State of Texas and a world-class special event venue in Corpus Christi. Beginning with a self-guided tour, followed by dinner, and

entertainment, this occasion promises to be an event you won't want to miss! Transportation will be provided to and from the Omni Hotel to the USS Lexington. **WE WILL PRACTICALLY GO**"OVERBOARD" TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS, SO DON'T MISS THE BOAT!

# **ACTIVITIES**

## **GOLF SCRAMBLE | TUESDAY MORNING**



Come ready for a good time and join your RRHA friends for our 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Neal "Dirty Sox" Johnson Golf Classic at Oso Beach Golf Course. Our Championship links style course features golfing along the shores of Corpus Christi Bay. **\$100 PER PERSON** 

# **ACTIVITIES, CONTINUED**

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON** – Due to the number of management company meetings scheduled for Tuesday, we will not have any RRHA planned activities; however, a list of options in Corpus Christi will be provided at a later date.

## SCAVENGER HUNT (aka Fun Run) | THURSDAY MORNING



Ahh, the fresh sea air! Meet in the Hotel lobby and join us for a scavenger hunt. This game will be a fun social activity for anyone. The hunt will be an effective way to get players to explore the people and places in Corpus Christi. The game also helps everyone to get moving and burn off some energy. Come join the fun for the "health" of it. FREE

# **EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS**

# [PROJECT SITE MANAGERS]

- ➤ INSPECTIONS To Include the New Inspection Requirements & Protocols
- > APPLICATION OF FAIR & CONSISTENT MANAGEMENT Including some Fair Housing
- PROGRAM BASICS (5 Most Important Things to Know)
- > SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (ROUNDTABLE) How to Use Supportive Services to Help with Resident Retention and Building a Positive Environment at Your Property
- > CALCULATIONS: HOW TO HANDLE UNDISCLOSED INCOME Topics to include Assets, Medical Inclusion and Exclusions, Peer-to-Peer Apps
- > NEWLY REVISED RRHA OF TEXAS RENTAL APPLICATION & LEASE UPDATES
- ➤ HOW TO AVOID EVICTIONS AND GET YOUR DELINQUENCIES DOWN TO 0 Topics to include avoiding evictions, resident retention, and getting delinquencies lowered to non-existent
- > TIME MANAGEMENT TOOLS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROPERTY MANAGERS
- PLUS MORE

#### [MID-MGMT. | SR. SUPERVISOR | SMALL OWNERS]

- MANAGING TOXIC EMPLOYEES: STRATEGIES FOR LEADERS TO EFFECTIVELY DEAL WITH EMPLOYEES ATTITUDES
- SOUTHWEST HOUSING COMPLIANCE CORP.

#### [OWNERS, DEVELOPERS]

- USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ROUNDTABLE
- > TDHCA ROUNDTABLE
- ➤ POLITICAL ARENA: RECAP OF 88<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION
- WASHINGTON WIRE
- PLUS MANY MORE