

# BMAA Newsletter

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Spring Time is Here!

We at the Bismarck-Mandan Apartment Association know that it has been a long, trying year and a half and would like to let all of our members and affiliates know that we are working hard to adjust to the "new normal" and plan for the future. We would like to take a bit of time to say Thank You to all the people in the apartment rental industry that put in so much time and effort to continue making Bismarck/Mandan a great place for tenants to call home.

Just a little reminder that being a member of the BMAA you are a part of a dedicated group of owners and managers in the Bismarck/Mandan area that have joined together to maintain high standards of apartment living and construction. The board is constantly reviewing and keeping up to date on all the new rules and laws that pertain to the industry and diligently lobbies on your behalf to keep the laws fair for both landlords and tenants. During the Pandemic we were aggressively staying on top of the eviction moratoriums and rules and regulations of that along with actively staying informed on how to help tenants with Rent Bridge and other options to help them stay healthy and safe. If you haven't had the opportunity to renew your membership please contact Rhonda. She will help with all your needs.

We had a great turnout for the first ever membership mixer on May 25th. Many members and soon to be members joined us for a great meal and refreshments. Below are some pictures of the event. Thank you to all of you who stopped by. A great time was had by all.

Thank you Bismarck-Mandan apartment owners and managers for giving us the opportunity to represent you. Have a safe and healthy spring/summer of 2021.

Corey Barnes Director, BMAA







# Member Spotlight















# Virtual Landlord / Service Provider Training Sessions

# June Schedule

June 1: 1 hr. (1:30 – 2:30 pm) Eviction Moratorium

by Adele Page

June 8: 1 hr. (1:30 – 2:30 pm) HUD Criminal Guidance

by Great Plains Housing Authority

June 15: 1 hr. (1:30 – 2:30 pm) Avoiding Work Burn Out

by Julie Landsiedel-STEP Wellness

June 22: 1 hr. (1:30 – 2:30 pm) Part 2 Refugee Settlement in ND

by Dept. of Human Services

June 29: 2 hr. (1:30 – 3:30 pm) Personal Safety

by ND Safety Council

- Registrants from previous trainings will be carried over for all future sessions. If you have not yet registered but wish to do so, you can contact Marilyn via email: marilyn.undhjem@minotstateu.edu
- Each registrant will receive login/call-in instructions the day before each training session.

Presented by Money Follows the Person Housing Program

BISMARCK, N.D. – Gov. Doug Burgum today announced that the North Dakota Department of Human Services (DHS) intends to temporarily administer the federally funded refugee resettlement program in North Dakota to preserve in-state control of the program after Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota (LSSND) announced it is unexpectedly closing its doors and will no longer manage the program.

"North Dakota has had decades of proven success at integrating refugees who are fully vetted by the U.S. State Department and have become responsible citizens and productive members of our state's private sector workforce," Burgum said. "While we would prefer to have a third party administer the federally funded refugee program, the alternative – allowing the federal government to resettle refugees in North Dakota with far less state input or control – is not an acceptable option. The Department of Human Services is prepared to administer the program to ensure that refugee resettlement in North Dakota continues in a thoughtful, orderly and responsible manner at no additional cost to North Dakota taxpayers."

Under North Dakota law, DHS is responsible for refugee services. Until 2010, DHS employed a full-time refugee coordinator and administered the refugee resettlement program, acting as a pass-through entity for federal funding and playing a significant role in the state's involvement in refugee resettlement.

In July 2010, DHS transitioned refugee resettlement services to LSSND as directed by then-Gov. John Hoeven, and the U.S. Office of Refugee Resettlement designated LSSND as refugee coordinator for North Dakota. North Dakota currently operates with LSSND as a replacement designee, which is an entity other than state government that leads on providing integrated services and assistance to increase refugees' prospects for early employment and self-sufficiency.

With LSSND ending its role in refugee resettlement, North Dakota is left with three options:

- Find another nonprofit organization to manage refugee resettlement as a replacement designee. No viable options have been identified at this time.
- Decline to participate in administering the program, which would allow the U.S. State Department to resettle refugees in North Dakota with far less state input into where or how many refugees are settled.
- Direct DHS to temporarily administer the program while evaluating what is in the state's best interest for the program's long-term future, which may or may not involve third-party administration.

The intent is for the resettlement program to report to DHS Executive Director Chris Jones.

"To temporarily administer the program, DHS intends to work with local partners to assure in-community delivery of core services that support integration and self-sufficiency for legally resettled adults and children," Jones said.

The number of refugees accepted into the United States each year is set annually by the president in consultation with Congress. North Dakota resettled 124 refugees in fiscal year 2019 and 44 refugees in fiscal year 2020.

Resettled refugees are legal residents once they are accepted into the United States, which happens only after they undergo a rigorous screening process including background checks and interviews before they are brought to the United States for resettlement by the State Department.

The Office of Refugee Resettlement <u>website</u> explains the difference between legal refugees and asylees, who enter the United States on their own and subsequently apply for a grant of asylum through U.S. Homeland Security. In fiscal year 2017, 95 percent of refugees resettled in North Dakota had existing family ties in their resettlement location.



# NORTH DAKOTA APARTMENT ASSOCIATION

"2021 NDAA State Convention REPLAY "

https://www.ndaa.net/products/





Being a member of the BMAA you are also members of the NDAA and NAA. Check out their sites for more great information and educational opportunities.

https://www.ndaa.net/ https://www.naahq.org/

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#### Forms Available to General Members

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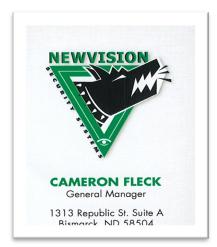
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## 2021 Upcoming Events

Schedule:

Board Meeting: May 11, 2021 at 4:00p

Membership Spring Fling Mixer: May 25, 2021 4:00p-7:00p

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