



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **NONPROFIT HOSTS CONFERENCE TO FOCUS ON RESILIENCE AND REBUILDING: CED ROAD TO THE FUTURE**

**WHAT:** Conference 2015

**WHO:** NC Association of Community Development Corporations, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

**WHEN:** Friday, November 20, 2015 from 9:30am-5:30pm

**WHERE:** The Conference Center, 12 Davis Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27709

NCACDC will be hosting a one-day conference called *Conference 2015* this Friday that will be financed by The Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. The conference will give participants the chance to learn about new ways of thinking to inform collaborative, emerging strategies that connect housing, health, food and economic development and forge vibrant and resilient communities.

*Conference 2015's* theme is *Resilience and Rebuilding: CED Road to the Future*. The conference will feature the following workshops: 1) *Fair Housing and Civic Engagement, A New Approach to Mitigating Gentrification*, 2) *Food Based Development Opportunities: Toward Creation of Healthy, Just Food Systems*, 3) *Developing Financial Resilience, Re-purposing the Role of CED Housing Counselors* and 4) *Making Homes Safer for Older Adults* and 5) *Social Impact Investment, A Force for Positive Social Change*.

In addition to creating a space for discussion of these pertinent topics, NCACDC plans to use *Conference 2015* to strengthen its existing and future network ties and to sustain its high visibility, leadership, collaboration and strong organizational presence in NC. Registration for *Conference 2015* is free and can be done online via *Eventbrite*. Seats are limited, so rsvp while you can!

#### **Speakers at *Conference 2015* will include:**

- **Erin Byrd, Blueprint NC**
- **Delores Bailey, EmPowerment, Inc**
- **Dorothy Barker, Operation Spring Plant**
- **Joyce Dickens, Rocky Mount/Edgecombe Community Development Corporation**
- **Donna Gallagher, The Collaborative of NC**
- **Savi Horne, Land Loss Prevention Project**
- **Jan Parker, NC Department of Insurance Office of State Fire Marshal**
- **Yolanda Taylor and/or Peter Gilbert, Legal Aid NC**
- **Jeanne Tedrow, Passage Home**

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**About the North Carolina Association of Community Development Corporations:** The NCACDC is a statewide nonprofit whose mission is to strengthen the North Carolina economy and build a better tomorrow for all North Carolinians by advancing innovative, community-based economic development strategies that create opportunity-rich communities where North Carolina residents live and work.