

We are only days away from the 2018 Virginia Governor's Housing Conference at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia. This year will feature many amazing sessions that cover topics throughout the housing and community development sectors. We are also excited about the great plenary sessions planned for the conference. Here are a few reminders to help you make the most of your conference experience. See you in Arlington!



**Conference kicks off on
 Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 4 p.m.**

The conference will begin on Wednesday afternoon with the opening plenary featuring journalist and best-selling author Beth Macy. Macy will discuss the unraveling of rural America, from the aftermath of globalization to the opioid crisis, the subject of her latest book Dopesick.



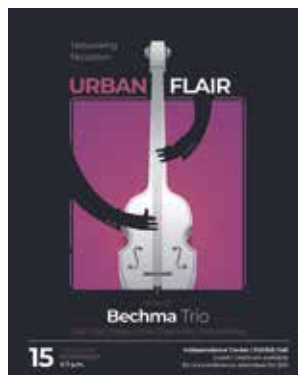
Macy is the author of the critically acclaimed and New York Times-bestselling books, *Factory Man* and *Truevine*. Her third nonfiction narrative is *Dopesick: Dealers, Doctors and the Drug Company That Addicted America* (2018).

A book signing will be held in the Regency Foyer immediately following the opening plenary.

The opening reception, Salute our Veterans, will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Exhibit Hall (Independence Center).



Wednesday
 November, 14
 5:30-7 p.m.



Thursday
 November, 15
 5:30-7 p.m.

2018 VAGHC Bus Tours

Nov. 14, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Meet in Hyatt Regency lobby

If you have registered for either VAGHC bus tour on Wednesday, Nov. 14, please check in with the registration teams located in the lobby of the Hyatt Regency. You will receive a boxed lunch as you load the bus. You will pick up your registration materials for the conference when you return from your tour, and you will be back in time for the opening plenary!

Registration

The conference registration is located in the Independence Foyer in the Hyatt Regency Crystal City. Registration opens on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 11 a.m. Here you will receive your conference materials, including your badge, which you will need to display for admission into all conference activities. If you have any questions, our helpful staff at registration will be glad to assist you.

Receptions

There are several great networking events for you to attend at the 2018 Virginia Governor's Housing Conference. Join your colleagues for Salute our Veterans as we take time to celebrate our veterans. If you see a conference attendee wearing a red, white and blue ribbon, please thank them for their service. Enjoy music by Gallatin Canyon and network with other conference attendees as we kick off this year's VAGHC on Wednesday evening from 5:30-7 p.m.

On Thursday, join us for the Networking Reception, Urban Flair, as we taste the urban flair of Northern Virginia. Enjoy the sounds of Bechma Trio and network with colleagues from across the state. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served at both receptions. You will also be provided with one drink ticket for each reception, so please use the designated color ticket for your free beverage on the designated night. Tickets for each reception for nonconference registrants are available at onsite registration for \$50.



Sessions, Sessions and Sessions

The Virginia Governor's Housing Conference is filled with a variety of thought-provoking and interactive plenary sessions, 90-minute concurrent sessions and 30-minute snap sessions. For more information about the sessions and speakers, visit the website or download the mobile app.

Don't forget to bring business cards!

You will want to be sure to bring plenty of business cards. We have numerous networking opportunities, as well as drawings for door prizes and other events happening in the exhibit hall. If you do not have your business cards, your name, email and phone number on a slip of paper will work!

Driving Directions

The Hyatt Regency Crystal City is located at 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

Parking is available at the Hyatt Regency for attendees staying for a reduced rate of \$25 per day. All parking at the Hyatt is valet. There are other parking options located around the venue.

[Click here for full list](#)

MOBILE APP



The **mobile app** will keep you updated on all of the conference happenings. Create a custom profile by using the same email address that you used to register, and build your custom itinerary to make the conference perfect for you!



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