



Housing Colorado 2019 Board of Directors

Housing Colorado's Board of Directors members are appointed professionals who work in and serve the affordable housing industry in Colorado. Together, these members govern the organization and are the voice of the membership community. Board members serve a 2 or 3-year term and are liaisons on all Housing Colorado committees. Get to know the 2019 Board:



Amy Case
Board Chair
Controller, Grand Junction Housing Authority

As Controller, Amy manages accounting and finance functions for an agency with a portfolio of over 1100 vouchers, 700 residential units including Section 8, 202, LIHTC, and market rate units in addition to management of her agency's HUD approved housing counseling program, which serves over 500 households in Northwest Colorado. Prior to joining the Housing Authority, Amy had worked for many years in the financial services industry, including consumer and mortgage lending. In addition to volunteering her time to Housing Colorado on the Editorial and Conference Planning committees, she also dedicates time to serving her community through her membership in Rotary and as Chair of a Mesa County K-12 charter school.



Shelley Marquez
Board Chair-Elect
Senior Vice President, Community Development, Wells Fargo

Shelley Marquez is senior vice president and Community Relations senior manager at Wells Fargo, managing the community development and philanthropy teams across 11 states. Marquez and her team are responsible for community outreach, stakeholder engagement, charitable contributions, and reputation activities impacting Wells Fargo's Community Reinvestment Act. Marquez has 33 years of experience in financial services and has been with Wells Fargo over 24 years. Prior to her current position, she was part of Wells Fargo's Business Banking Group where she developed an extensive lending experience. She is active in the community and is currently serves as a board member for Housing Colorado, Community First Foundation, and Asset Funders Network Steering Committee. Previously, Shelley served on the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas Community Development Advisory board, was board president for Habitat for Humanity Metro Denver, past board president and member of Mile High Community Loan Fund, and past board president for Colorado Enterprise Fund. She resides in Littleton, CO with husband Mark and has two daughters, Nicole and Stephanie.



Brian Cohen
Director of Business Development, Taylor Kohrs

Brian Cohen is a veteran to the construction industry with over 30 years of experience. As Director of Business Development for Taylor Kohrs, he builds his career on harboring client relationships from the first phone call through project close-out. His dedication to teamwork and attention to detail make Brian a leader in strategic planning, connecting with clients, building sustainable partnerships and meeting client objectives. He serves on the Housing Colorado Membership committee, ULI Impact Awards Committee and NAIOP Rocky Mountain Real Estate Challenge Committee.



Joe DelZotto
President & CEO, Delwest Capital LLC

Joe DelZotto has extensive experience in the development of real estate. Joe's experience includes land development, apartments, assisted living centers, single family, condominium and town home construction. Joe attended McGill University in Montreal, Canada and earned his BA in Economics from the University of Toronto. Joe moved to Denver in the early 1990's. Joe is also part of a family run company in Toronto Canada. The companies roots trace back to his grandfather, a stone mason from Northern Italy who migrated with his family to Canada and started in the construction business in 1934. Joe enjoys traveling, skiing, golf and most importantly spending time with his family.



Stefka Fanchi
President & CEO, Elevation Community Land Trust

Stefka holds a Bachelor degree in International Affairs from the George Washington University and has completed graduate work in International Management with a specialization in Sustainable Development from the School for International Training. Stefka specializes in affordable home ownership, large-scale non-profit fundraising and finance, and public policy, and she has held executive level positions with Habitat for Humanity of Colorado and Qualistar Colorado, as well as development positions with the Smithsonian Institution and the City of Lakewood, Colorado. She has raised more than \$100 million dollars over the course of her career, and currently serves as President & CEO for Elevation Community Land Trust.



Alison George
Director of Housing, Colorado Department of Local Affairs

Alison George is the state director of housing serving the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), Division of Housing (DOH), where she directs all DOH programs, ranging from housing voucher programs and manufactured housing and code regulatory oversight, to funding for constructing new affordable housing. Alison brings more than 20 years of experience in affordable housing development and finance to her work for Colorado.



Chris Gunlikson
Partner, Holland & Hart

Christopher Gunlikson is a partner at Holland & Hart; he has a diverse practice that focuses broad aspects of real estate development and finance. In addition to his traditional real estate and finance practice, Christopher specializes in servicing clients at every stage of multifamily and affordable housing development and finance. He serves as counsel on a local and national level to for-profit developers, nonprofit organizations, local and state housing authorities, conventional lenders and investors involved in all phases of development and operation of multifamily and affordable housing projects. Christopher also maintains a robust commercial real estate transactions and finance practice. Christopher supplements his legal skills with accounting and tax skills. Prior to earning his juris doctorate, he gained valuable industry insight as a CPA serving as CFO for a national developer and construction firm.



Patricia Hippe
Chief Financial Officer, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority

Patricia Hippe, Chief Financial Officer, joined the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority in October 2011. Prior to joining the Authority, Ms. Hippe spent 16 years at the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, the first five years as Finance Director and later as the Deputy Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer. Prior to her work with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Ms. Hippe was an Assistant Vice-President and Corporate Trust Officer at Wells Fargo Bank, formerly Norwest Bank. Prior to her work with Wells Fargo, Ms. Hippe was the manager of secondary market programs for Higher Education Management and Resources (HEMAR) Management Corporation where she was responsible for student loan secondary market operations and overseeing the accounting for multiple for-profit and non-profit entities. Ms. Hippe received her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Minnesota, and earned her Master of Business Administration Degree from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota and is licensed as a Certified Public Accountant (inactive status) and Certified Management Accountant.



Craig Maraschky
Executive Director, Aurora Housing Authority

Craig Maraschky has served as Executive Director of the Aurora Housing Authority since 2008. Prior to his position in Aurora he's held positions with the Douglas County Housing Partnership, Adams County Housing Authority, Arapahoe County, and the City of Thornton. Craig has nearly 25 years of experience working on affordable housing and community development issues in the Denver metro area. Craig has served as President of the Colorado Chapter of NAHRO and currently serves on two national NAHRO committees. Craig has worked along side his peers on several successful Congressional reforms to the Housing Choice Voucher Program. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and holds a Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Colorado.



Anthea Martin
Senior Vice President, Bellwether Enterprise

Anthea is a senior vice president and based in the Denver office of Bellwether Enterprise. She has 18 years of experience in multifamily finance specializes in loan origination for both market rate and affordable multifamily properties with an emphasis on FHA/HUD, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac. Throughout her career, Anthea has been responsible for structuring, underwriting, and closing nearly 80 transactions with over \$550 million in total volume. Prior to joining Bellwether, Anthea was vice president at Walker & Dunlop. Preceding Walker & Dunlop, she served as vice president and senior MAP underwriter at CBRE. In Anthea's previous positions at Colorado Business Bank and Signet Partners, she gained experience with construction lending and the refinancing of several nationwide Section 8 contracts. She began her career working in the CMBS department of Lehman Brothers and as an investment analyst for NorthMarq Capital. Anthea has a Bachelor of Science degree from Stern School of Business at New York University in information systems and marketing and a Master's degree from the Burns School of Real Estate and Construction Management at the University of Denver. Anthea was the recipient of Housing Wire's 2016 Women of Influence award.



Lee Patke
Board Member
Executive Director, Greccio Housing

Lee has twenty-seven years in corporate and non-profit settings that combined business operations, execution of strategic plans, workforce readiness, and service to clients across a variety of settings. Lee has served as Executive Director for Greccio Housing in Colorado Springs since 2010. During his tenure with Greccio, Lee has overseen acquisition of 5 properties, over 200 additional units, approximately \$4,000,000 in rehabilitation, new supportive services for residents, and the distinction of El Pomar's Pikes Peak Award for Excellence in 2014 for Greccio Housing. Immediately prior to Greccio, Mr. Patke was Chief Operating Officer of Residential Services at Griffith Centers for Children, having served as Therapist, Program Director, and COO over 12 years. He holds a Bachelor's in Communications from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, TX, and a Master's of Science in Social Work for the University of Texas in Arlington.



Brian Sample
Asset Management Vice President, Mercy Loan Fund

Brian joined MLF in January 2011 as an Asset Manager. Since then, he has moved into increasingly responsible rolls as Senior Asset Manager, Director of Asset Management and his current position of Asset Management Vice President. Brian oversees operations staff for Mercy Loan Fund (MLF). In addition, he manages MLF's portfolio risk by evaluating loan renewals and extensions, tracking loan monitoring information, analyzing status reports and borrower financials, and maintaining databases containing all information relating to loans in the portfolio. In addition, Brian is responsible for maximizing the capabilities of the loan accounting system and streamlining report functions. He comes from Megastar financial where he worked as a Commercial Loan Officer. Prior to that, he was Production Manager for Silver Hill Financial, a small balance commercial lender focusing on multifamily and owner occupied properties. He previously spent 8 years working for the Developmental Disabilities Center in Boulder where he managed 11 group homes. He has a BS in sociology from Colby College.



Jim Stretz
Senior Vice President
National Housing Group, George K. Baum & Company

Third generation, Denver native Jim Stretz has over 30 years of experience working in the housing finance industry. Prior to joining George K. Baum & Company National Housing Group as a Senior VP in 2005, Jim served in CEO positions for commercial banks, high tech startups, a housing non-profit and 14 years as the Executive Director of a neighboring state's Housing Finance Authority. Rounding out his resume, he also has experience in multifamily and single family construction and development. George K. Baum & Company is a municipal investment banking firm serving specialized markets. Jim currently works with 17 state housing finance authorities and has been involved with over a billion dollars of affordable housing financing. Jim is also the Vice Chairman of Cinnaire Capital (formally known as Great Lakes Capital) Cinnaire is a not for profit, multi-state, LIHTC syndicator headquartered in Michigan. He is a former board member and treasurer of the National Council of State Housing Agencies and a past recipient of their Leadership Award as well as the U. S. Treasury's National Social Compact Award. Jim holds an MBA from the Anderson School of Management, and a BS in economics from Colorado State University.



Alisa Wilson
Vice President, S.B. Clark

Ms. Wilson is the Vice President of S.B. Clark Companies, a public finance consulting company based in Denver. She joined S.B. Clark Companies in May 2018. Ms. Wilson has a background in affordable housing lending, grantmaking, and public policy and extensive experience with debt and equity finance of mixed-income and LIHTC transactions. Ms. Wilson specializes in deal structuring, project-level underwriting, subordinate financing, and transactional due diligence. She provides significant perspective around public-private partnerships from her previous positions in county and state government. Ms. Wilson has over 12 years of experience in community development finance. Prior to joining S.B. Clark Companies, she was the Housing Development Manager at the Colorado Division of Housing where she oversaw the Division's grant and loan underwriting team and multifamily loan closings. She has also worked at national community development lenders Mercy Loan Fund and Enterprise Community Loan Fund, and Maryland's Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs where she underwrote and closed multifamily loans, managed affordable housing development projects, and administered local housing trust fund, HOME and CDBG funds. Ms. Wilson earned her Bachelor of Art's degree in Economics from Wake Forest University and her Master's in Urban Planning from New York University's school of public service. Ms. Wilson serves on the Board of Directors for Senior Housing Options, a non-profit owner and manager of assisted living and independent living communities that serve elderly and disabled Coloradans.