

# Bio for nominations for NCRC NAHRO

## William A. (Bill) Pluta

### **NCRC Position you are running for on the ballot:**

Vice-President of Community Revitalization & Development (CRD)

**Agency and job title:** Illinois Housing Development Authority; Director of Strategic Planning and Reporting Department. Previously worked for State and local housing/community development agencies in Texas, Louisiana, and Illinois (Springfield) managing CDBG and other housing programs.

**Years with current agency:** 27 years/since February of 1992

**Years in housing industry :** 41 years; since August of 1977

### **What are some of your responsibilities at your agency?**

Coordinate development of the State's HUD-required Consolidated Plan and a State-mandated Annual Comprehensive Housing Plan, including staffing advisory committees; coordinate and provide technical assistance on all IHDA housing programs, with emphases on HOME, LIHTC, HTF, and others; operate housing information clearinghouse to better coordinate available assistance with other State and federal agencies; review and track federal and State housing/CD legislation; also represent my agency on a variety of advisory groups, including the Governor's Rural Affairs Council and Rural Partners.

### **Why are you running for a position on the NCRC Board?**

I have had a longstanding professional interest and respect for NAHRO as the nation's oldest and best housing/CD membership organization. I helped revive the Illinois chapter in 1993, and have served on its Board since then, including serving as Chapter President from 1999-2001. I served as the NCRC-VP for CRD from 1994-1998, and also was twice elected as Chair/VP of the national CR&D Committee (2001-2003 and 2007-2009). I have found my involvement in CR&D the most enjoyable and beneficial part of being a NAHRO member, and bring a unique combination of State and local perspectives to housing and community development issues, especially as they impact rural areas and smaller communities. I would welcome getting back involved in both NCRC and CRD, and feel that I can contribute related benefits to our members.

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