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RE: Upcoming Virtual Fair Housing Conference 2022

On Wednesday, April 20, Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California (FHANC) will celebrate Fair Housing Month and the anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act by presenting a virtual conference, "Investing in Our Future: Fair Housing and Race-Conscious Policies."

The presenters will address strategies and possibilities for advancing fair housing and racial equity via race-conscious housing policies, through legislative, legal, administrative, as well as media- and advocacy-driven approaches. The event will bring together community members, non-profits, advocates, real estate professionals, and municipal leaders and staff to address pressing fair housing issues affecting our communities, offering strategies to re-energize fair housing initiatives.

The conference will be moderated by Jorge Andres Soto, Associate Vice President of Advocacy & Government Affairs at the National Fair Housing Alliance, and will feature the following speakers and subjects:

- Andrés Ramos, Legislative Counsel Public Advocates & Fred Freiberg, National Field Consultant –
 Fair Housing Justice Center: Fair Housing Investigations Two-Party Recording in the California
 Legislature
- Erwin Chemerinsky, Dean University of California, Berkeley School of Law: *Legal Perspectives on Race-Conscious Housing Policies*
- Nikitra Bailey, Senior Vice President of Public Policy National Fair Housing Alliance: *Utilizing Race-Conscious Housing Policies to Drive Inclusive Economic Growth*
- Julian Glover, Race, Culture & Social Justice Reporter ABC7 News: *Undervalued | Undefeated: Combatting Appraisal Discrimination in Black & Brown Neighborhoods*
- Margaretta Wan-Ling Lin, Executive Director Just Cities/The Dellums Institute for Social Justice: Fair Housing in a Time of New Jim Crow and Green Gentrification

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Panelists for the Appraisal Discrimination session include Paul Austin and Dominique Colon (FHANC Clients) and Liza Cristol-Deman (Attorney at Law, Brancart & Brancart).

General admission is \$25, with scholarships available upon request. Visit FHANC's <u>conference page</u> for more information, including presenters' bios, or to register for the event:

https://www.fairhousingnorcal.org/fairhousingconference2022.html

For more information, to request a scholarship, or for any special needs, contact Adriana Ames, Education Director, at adriana@fairhousingnorcal.org.

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