

"What Home Means to Me"

Poster Contest

National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials ■ Housing America Campaign

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Kansas NAHRO Poster Contest

As part of its 2025 Housing America campaign, NAHRO will hold a poster contest for children associated with affordable housing and community development programs owned or administered by national NAHRO member agencies. Posters will reflect the national theme of "What Home Means to Me." The contest is a collaborative effort of NAHRO's chapter/state, regional, and national organizations. National honorees will be selected from chapter/state-level winning entries. To be eligible for national honors, all entries must come through the local chapter.

Contest Dates: April 17, 2024

Submission Information: Submit your posters to the registration desk at the 2024 Spring Conference. If you are not attending the conference, you may submit poster contest entries by mail to the address below. If submitting by mail, posters must be received by April 17th to be qualified for judging.

Kansas NAHRO Service Office
12246 FM 1769
Graham, TX 76450

Poster Specifications:

- Theme - "What Home Means to Me"
- Size – All posters must be 22" x 28" and have a LANDSCAPE/HORIZONTAL orientation to be considered for national judging and may be featured in the 2025 "What Home Means to Me" calendar.
- Media - Contestant may use any art media (marker, crayon, paint, collage, textiles, etc.), but please consider that posters will need to be packaged, mailed and reproduced.
- All entries must be mailed flat.
- All contestants must sign a release making their entry the property of NAHRO and permitting duplication/publication thereof. The release should be secured to the back of the entry.
- All regional finalists and national winners must sign a photo release waiver giving NAHRO permission to use their picture for online and print publication.
- All contestants are asked to provide a short narrative on the inspiration, vision, and importance of their poster design. The narrative should be secured on the back of the entry.
- Contestant's name, grade level, and housing authority must be written on the back of each poster entry in addition to being listed on the release form also attached to the entry.
- NAHRO is only responsible for returning the original poster to the national grand prize winner. NAHRO is not responsible for returning posters except for the grand prize-winning poster.

- National winners will be selected based on how well the artwork uses the “What Home Means to Me” theme.

Eligibility and Selection Categories:

Contest participation is open to all children in grades K-12 residing in affordable housing assisted directly, supported under community development, or participants in affordable housing programs administered by a NAHRO member authority (i.e., public or Section 8-assisted housing CDBG, HOME, LIHTC). Entries must be created by only one person. Entries created by two or more people will not be accepted.

Age Categories:

Elementary: K to 5th grade; Middle: 6th to 8th grade; High: 9th to 12th grade

Contest Overview:

Local/state NAHRO chapters may submit entries to their regional council. The regional councils hold separate contests and send their top three winners (one from each age category) to NAHRO. National NAHRO holds a contest to pick the 13 national winners. **National NAHRO will not accept submissions from individual housing authorities. Any submissions sent directly to national NAHRO will be disqualified.**

For More information, contact:

Kansas NAHRO Service Office
940-521-9982
ksnahro@brazosnet.com



Application

Name of Applicant-artist: _____

Address: _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip code** _____

Housing Agency: _____

Age category: Elementary: K-5th (___) Middle: 6th-8th (___) High: 9th-12th (___)

Applicant's Age: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

(Required if applicant is under 18 years of age)

Conditions of submission:

Applicant and parent or guardian understand and agree that upon submission of the applicant's poster, the poster will become the sole property of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO). NAHRO shall have exclusive and full rights to copy, reproduce and distribute the poster in connection with its poster calendar and may retain the original of any poster. Applicant, and parent or guardian for and on behalf of applicant, hereby release and discharge NAHRO and any and all Regional Councils, State Chapters or other affiliates of NAHRO from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or actions, including without limitation any claim to payment of compensation, in connection with NAHRO's possession, use, copying, reproduction, and/or distribution of the applicant's poster.

By signing this application below, applicant, and any parent or legal guardian signing on applicant's behalf, hereby indicate agreement to the conditions stated above. Any person signing as guardian further represents that he or she is fully and lawfully empowered to act as guardian for the applicant.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent Guardian: _____

Local Housing Agency Contest Representative Contact Information (Local Housing Agency Office Only)

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

"What Home Means to Me"

Please write a short paragraph (100 words or less) explaining your poster.



NAHRO PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I hereby grant NAHRO permission to use my likeness in a photograph, video, or other digital media ("photo") in any and all its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration.

I understand and agree that all photos will become the property of NAHRO and will not be returned.

I hereby irrevocably authorize NAHRO to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish, or distribute these photos for any lawful purpose. In addition, I waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photo.

I hereby hold harmless, release, and forever discharge NAHRO from all claims, demands, and causes of action which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE PHOTO RELEASE. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURES BELOW. I ACCEPT:

Print Name

Signature

Date

If under 18, PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN

Parent/Legal Guardian

Date