

# ONAP TRAINING



## Needs Assessment & Community Engagement

### EVENT DETAILS

February 10-11, 2026 | Phoenix, AZ | 8:30am-4:30pm Mountain Time

#### OVERVIEW

This training will discuss the process of conducting a housing needs assessment to gather data about their current housing needs. Topics to be covered include an overview of what a needs assessment is, why you would conduct a needs assessment, the process for collecting and analyzing data, and how to effectively make decisions about housing programs based on data collected.

#### TRAINING LOCATION

Embassy Suites by Hilton  
Phoenix Downtown North

#### HOTEL INFORMATION

10 E Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ  
85012

(602) 222-1111

**Cut-off date: 1/11/2026**

Please use the following link  
to book directly with the  
hotel:

[https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment\\_Feb2026\\_Hotel](https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment_Feb2026_Hotel)

**Training Materials:** Presentation handouts will be printed. Resource materials will be provided on a USB drive. Participants can bring a device, such as a laptop, that has a USB port.

#### TRAINING REGISTRATION

Registration for this training is at no cost to Tribal housing professionals, but you must register to attend. Registration is available online at:

[https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment\\_PHX\\_Registration](https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment_PHX_Registration)

Tribes may utilize Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds to cover travel-related expenses for this training.

#### HOTEL RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved at Embassy Suites by Hilton Phoenix Downtown North for workshop attendees. The special workshop rate is **\$229/night** for single/double occupancy. The "Cut-Off Date" to book a room at the special rate is **January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Reservation requests received after the Cut-Off Date will be accepted on a space available basis.

To make hotel reservations, please call the hotel reservations number at **(602) 222-1111**. Reservation can be made at the following link:

[https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment\\_Feb2026\\_Hotel](https://bit.ly/NeedsAssessment_Feb2026_Hotel)

## **HOTEL PARKING**

Self-parking is \$32 per night.

## **LOCAL TRANSPORTATION (TO/FROM AIRPORT)**

**Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport** - 3400 Sky Hbr Blvd, Phoenix, AZ 85034 (6.6 mi from hotel)

Local taxi and ride share app are available.

## **MEALS**

All meals will be on your own.

## **TRAINER**

### **Christine Dennis**

Christine Dennis is a CPA registered in Oklahoma with over 28 years of experience in Tribal Housing and Tribal Government. As a former auditor, Ms. Dennis has a full understanding and knowledge of the HUD Compliance Manual issued annually, as well as knowledge of the grant process and reporting requirements for all NAHASDA programs. Ms. Dennis is a frequent provider of admissions and occupancy, procurement, and self-monitoring training for HUD providers. She has also developed and presented training courses in the above subjects through HUD regional offices and works with ONAP to stay current on all developments in HUD regulations and changing developments.