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### **NNA Announces New Executive Director**

The National NeighborWorks Association (NNA) Board of Directors recently unanimously selected Lou Tisler as NNA's next Executive Director.

Lou brings a depth of understanding about the NeighborWorks network, a successful track record of executive-level experience and a commitment to furthering the interests of housing and community development organizations. Currently, he is the Director of the Housing Counseling Network for the National Community Reinvestment Coalition. From 2005 to early 2017, Lou served as the Executive Director of Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland, an exemplary-rated NeighborWorks organization. During this time he simultaneously held leadership roles with NNA, including serving as chair of the External Policy Committee in 2008 and 2009 and the President of the Board of Directors from 2010 to 2012.

Before joining the NeighborWorks Network, Lou served as the Executive Director of the First Suburbs Development Council and the Westtown Community Development Corporation. He holds a Masters of Business Administration and a Bachelors in Finance, both from Cleveland State University and has long been active in local, state and federal policy efforts to promote and strengthen affordable housing.

Lou looks forward to this new role: "I am very excited to continue the great work of National NeighborWorks® Association as its next Executive Director. Times of uncertainty create windows of opportunity. It is my mission to work with NNA members to unite housing and community development practitioners to advocate for housing and economic opportunities for individuals, families, communities and neighborhoods across the country."

Lou will officially join NNA on January 16, 2018.

### **ABOUT NNA:**

The National NeighborWorks® Association (NNA)'s unites housing and community development practitioners to advocate for housing and economic opportunities for individuals, families, communities and neighborhoods across the country. NNA is a 501c6 organization with a membership of approximately 200 non-profit "NeighborWorks-chartered" organizations that envision a united field of the best housing and community development practitioners producing safe, quality affordable housing and economic opportunities for all Americans. For more information, visit [www.nnwa.us](http://www.nnwa.us).

Attachment: Lou Tisler headshot