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Housing Navigator Training Course



Orientation Session

January 15, 2026

Because There's No Place Like Home..



Objectives

- Introductions
- History of Housing Navigation
- Video: Role of a Housing Navigator
- Course Overview
 - Session Schedule & Structure
 - Expectations
 - Assignments & Readings
- Reminders



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Meet the Faculty

Seth Greenman; Consultant

John Maltby; Emeritus

Carol Napierski; NY Alliance



History of Housing Navigation

- Why housing navigation
- What is housing navigation
- How we got started
 - First Housing Navigator Course
- Decade of training students
- Current Housing Navigator Network

Next up: Role of a Housing Navigator video

Available at <https://youtu.be/GAEysRKzUzw>



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Winter Class 2026

Introductions:

- Name
- Your Role
- Region / Area of State
- What is Your Interest in Housing



Course Overview

Instructional Sessions (Thursdays) 9:00-12:00

Orientation 1/15/2026 (9:00-11:00*)

1/29/2026 2/05/2026 2/12/2026 2/26/2026

3/5/2026 3/12/2026 3/19/2026 3/26/2026

Wrap-Up 4/10/2026 (9:00-11:00 FRIDAY*)

Work Sessions (Fridays) 9:00-10:00:

1/30/2026 2/6/2026 2/13/2026

2/27/2026 3/6/2026 3/13/2026

Optional Office Hours (Fridays) 9:00-10:00:

3/20/2026

Add to Calendar!



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Session Structure

Instructional Sessions

- Themed Sessions
- Mix of recordings & live presentations
- Regional breakout rooms
 - Readings
 - Critical topics
- Large group discussions

Work Sessions

- Live, working session
- Focus on application and assignment development
 - Housing Planning Instrument
 - Housing Budget Calculator



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Expectations

- **Assignments:**
 - Completed in stages aligned with course sessions
 - Faculty will review and provide written comments
 - Corrections must be completed prior to final submission
 - Readings to be completed before the class
- **Participation:**
 - Ensure computer system is equipped with camera & mic
 - Notify faculty in advance of any conflicts with course schedule



Required Readings

From Snake Pits to Cash Cows: Politics and Public Institutions in New York

Author: Paul J. Castellani

Available through Amazon at <https://a.co/d/cIH9Kit>

Housing Resource Guide

Available through the NY Housing Resource Center (<https://nyhrc.org>)



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Assignments for Certification

Housing Planning Instrument (PDF)

- Based on a fictional case study
 - Florence
 - Anthony
- Six Parts

Housing Budget Calculator (EXCEL)

- Based on a case study
- Seven Sheets



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What is Next

Familiarize yourself with the Course Page

Choose a Case Study

Complete Pre-Test Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GT9R5Z6>

Contact Information

Webinars to Watch:

- Video: We Have Choices, SANYS: <https://vimeo.com/371150790>
- Video: Remembering Willowbrook, CDD: <https://youtu.be/ev80qEtp2u4>



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Questions

See you on January 29th!



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