NALCAB Policy Priorities

Policy Area		Priorities	Key Partners	Key Targets
Financial Services/ Consumer Financial Protection	•	Strengthen the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA): Support sensible reforms that enhance the ability of regulated banks to meet the credit needs of the communities they serve and that equitably invest in low- and moderate-income communities. Reject attempts to weaken the CRA and lower the bar for compliance, including the one ratio approach described in the OCC's 2018 ANPR on CRA. NALCAB's Role: Play a leadership role in collaborations with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective; Mobilize members in a campaign.	Center for Responsible Lending; California Reinvestment Coalition; Americans for Financial Reform; NACEDA; National CAPACD; Prosperity Now; Greenlining Institute	House Financial Services and Senate Banking Committees; Congressional Hispanic Caucus; Federal Reserve; OCC; FDIC; CFPB
	•	Promote diversity and inclusion within the Federal Reserve System and in the financial services industry: Advocate with the Fed to ensure that the voice of the Latino communities is represented in the governance and senior leadership of the Fed. Support efforts to diversify corporate boards. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective.		
	•	Support an independent Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB): In the context of efforts to weaken the CFPB through legislative and administrative means, defend an independent CFPB free of external political influence. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective.		
	•	Defend the CFPB Payday Rule : Counter attempts to roll back the CFPB's existing rules on payday lending. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective; Mobilize members in a campaign.		
Housing and Community Development	•	Strengthen access to the CDFI Fund for Latino communities: Continue support for emerging Latino CDFIs that seek certification and funding through Treasury's CDFI program. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective.	National Low- Income Housing Coalition; Opportunity Finance	House Financial Services and Senate Banking Committees

Housing and Community Development	 Strengthen fair housing policy for Latino communities: Work to ensure fair housing regulations and policies that foster equitable development and match the needs and opportunities in predominately Latino communities. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective. Mitigate involuntary displacement: Support local housing and land use policies that mitigate involuntary displacement and identify opportunities to acknowledge and address displacement in federal programs. NALCAB's Role: Play a leadership role in collaborations with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective. Support housing finance reform that meaningfully promotes access to affordable housing: Advocate for polices that release the GSE's from receivership in a manner that maintains their affordable housing goals and duty to serve. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners. Increase access to housing counseling: strengthen existing federal housing counseling programs and promote the sustainability of housing counseling agencies. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with partners and lead where necessary. 	Network; CDFI Coalition	
Immigration	 Promote the economic importance of immigrants: Advance public understanding of the importance of immigrants to our economy including as workers, entrepreneurs, consumers and leaders. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners. Advocate for a path to citizenship: Support policies that provide an earned path to citizenship with particular emphasis on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients and families. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners with regard to the economic perspective. 	American Business Immigration Coalition; National Partnership for New Americans	Members of the House and Senate; US Business Community
Small Business	• Increase access to capital for underserved small businesses: Support efforts to improve financial products and services for small businesses and strengthen SBA's lending programs. NALCAB's Role: Play a leadership role in collaborations with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective.	National CAPACD; Prosperity Now; Association of Women's Business	House and Senate Small Business Committees; Congressional Hispanic Caucus;

Small Business	•	Require greater transparency in business lending data: Support improved transparency in lending and loan performance data to increase capital to underserved small firms as well as guard against unsafe and unfair lending practices. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective. Target disaster recovery assistance to small businesses: Advocate for policies that	Centers; CAMEO; NALCAB Subgrantees in the Northwest	Relevant state and local policy makers
	•	help small businesses recover from disasters and expand government contracts to local entrepreneurs for recovery efforts. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective. Support Latino and immigrant entrepreneurs: Address the unique needs of Latino entrepreneurs with culturally-relevant technical assistance and mentoring. NALCAB's Role: Play a leadership role in collaborations with key partners.		
Federal Appropriations	•	Increase federal community development investments: NALCAB will focus on programs that are important to NALCAB members including HUD CDBG, HOME and SHOP Programs; SBA PRIME and Women's Business Centers Programs; US Treasury CDFI and NMTC Programs; USDA Rural Development Programs and HHS CED Program. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective; Mobilize members in a campaign. Fully fund disaster recovery: Advocate for policies that provide robust, timely and equitable distribution of disaster resources to Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) households; advocate for long-term disaster recovery policies that advance equitable development and fair housing. NALCAB's Role: Collaborate with key partners; Lead with regard to the Latino perspective.	Campaign for Housing and Community Development Funding; CDFI Coalition; People and Places Coalition	Appropriations Committees in the House and Senate