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**U.S. Rep. Xavier Becerra (D-Calif.) to Keynote Novogradac & Company LLP's  
Urban Revitalization: An Affordable Housing Conference**

**Industry Professionals To Gather July 25-26 in Chicago, Ill.**

CHICAGO—Novogradac & Company LLP will host its Urban Revitalization: An Affordable Housing Conference, July 25-26 at the Renaissance Chicago Hotel.

Urban revitalization plays a pivotal role in the regeneration of the economic, social, civic and cultural fabric of America's inner cities. From the potential for a single-family tax credit and the New Urbanism trend to Year 15 and Green Building issues, a tremendous number of opportunities exist for the affordable housing industry to participate in the development of affordable rental housing, a vital ingredient in the renewal of cities' health and safety.

Join Novogradac & Company LLP at its **Urban Revitalization: An Affordable Housing Conference** and hear how Washington's most recent rules and regulations are opening doors to the continued success of affordable housing development and learn more about the opportunities that exist for alleviating the nation's affordable housing crisis. "Providing affordable homes contributes to the growth of an area as well as gives residents a sense of community," said Michael J. Novogradac, CPA, managing partner at Novogradac & Company LLP, a San Francisco-based national certified public accounting and consulting firm that specializes in affordable housing issues. "By doing all that we can to make sure that the barriers to decent affordable housing are removed, we become part of the solution, eliminating some of the problems our inner cities are experiencing."

U.S. Rep. Xavier Becerra (D-Calif.), member, House Ways and Means Committee, will keynote the event.

The conference will assemble a cross-section of experienced developers, policymakers, attorneys, lenders, and state and local housing officials to explore how programs and administrative changes will impact the affordable housing industry in 2002.

The **Urban Revitalization: An Affordable Housing Conference** is co-sponsored by Simpson Housing Solutions LLC, one of the nation's largest affordable housing developers and investors in tax credit communities.

The San Francisco-based Novogradac & Company LLP is a national certified public accounting and consulting firm that specializes in affordable housing coast to coast. With offices in San Francisco, Calif.; Atlanta, Ga.; Austin, Texas; Kansas City, Kan.; New Philadelphia, Ohio; and Washington, D.C., the firm provides a full spectrum of attest, tax, valuation, market research and consulting services to affordable housing developers, syndicators, lenders and investors.

For more information about Novogradac & Company LLP's Urban Revitalization: An Affordable Housing Conference, contact Kathy Czajkowski at (415) 356-8037, or visit the firm's web site at [www.taxcredithousing.com](http://www.taxcredithousing.com).