



**Robert F. Nielsen,
President of Shelter Properties**

Robert F. (Bob) Nielsen is president of Shelter Properties, Inc., a real estate development and management company based in Reno, Nevada. Shelter Properties currently develops affordable housing for families and senior citizens, working under programs of support and sponsorship offered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Federal Housing Administration, state and local housing authorities, and the Rural Economic and Community Development Services (formerly Farmers Home Administration). Nielsen's experience includes extensive work with the many aspects of the development process, including debt and equity funding; land identification and acquisition; product design and engineering; and fulfillment of state, city and local government requirements. While well-versed in all of these areas, his most notable strength is the ability to satisfy the multitude of diverse and detailed requirements of each institution, company, and government agency involved in the complex financial arrangements that are typical of real estate transactions creating affordable housing. His proven ability to satisfy all of the requirements while pulling together equity and debt has earned him the respect of financial institutions.

Nielsen is an advocate for affordable housing as a leader in the lobbying effort that supports the funding of affordable housing. He was instrumental in the creation of the State of Nevada Low Income Housing Trust Fund enacted by the Nevada state legislature in 1992.

Nielsen was appointed to The Board of Directors of the San Francisco Federal Home Loan Bank for a three year term (1999-2001) by the Federal Housing Finance Board. Nielsen was reelected to the Board in 2008, 2010, and 2013. The San Francisco FHL Bank is a multi-billion dollar institution whose mission is to provide Affordable Mortgage Capital for its member banks. Nielsen served on the 2003-2004 Fannie Mae National Advisory Council. The Advisory Council is a group of influential leaders in housing and finance that includes real estate professionals, home builders, the CEOs of mortgage firms and other financial institutions, as well as government officials and representatives of consumer groups.

Nielsen devotes time to the National Association of Home Builders in the belief that he can effect change by being involved in legislation that has an impact on the housing industry. Nielsen has served in numerous elected offices in local, state and national positions. Nielsen has served as Chairman of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) in 2011. As an organization, NAHB lobbies for legislation that promotes the concept of housing as the strength of our nation, and it also functions as a respected resource used by many, including Congress. As part of his work for NAHB, Nielsen has testified numerous times before Congress on housing issues.

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