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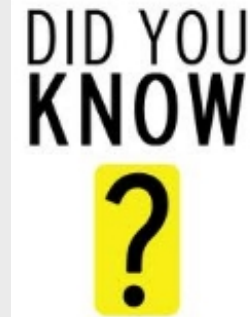


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NMHOA's President Tim Sheahan Welcomes You to i'mPOWERED!

Welcome to NMHOA's educational series,



i'mPOWERED! As they say, "knowledge is power," which inspired NMHOA to create a new and distinctive name that combines the three words I-am-empowered.

The goal of **i'mPOWERED!** is to inform and educate so you have the tools to help yourself in dealing with the precarious situation of owning a home on someone else's land. Knowledge will help ensure your "home/land security" and make your manufactured home living experience more enjoyable and enriched, with reduced stress and anxiety.

For the rest of Tim's welcome go [HERE](#).

Ask Ishbel

Q. *I am concerned that my manufactured home has not been installed properly and has some other design defects. What can I do to get these issues resolved?*

A. The Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has agreements with 37 State governments to conduct periodic checks of factory records where manufactured homes are made and to respond to consumer complaints. These State governments each



The State of Massachusetts requires community owners to provide a 2 year notice of change of use before the community can be closed and the community owner must provide a listing of available sites within 100 miles of the community. This is the longest notice period in the country. **See [HERE](#).**



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designate a State Administrative Agency (SAA). HUD staff conduct checks and respond to consumer complaints in the other 13 States without SAAs.

To read more of Ishbel's answer and to see how to have your home installation checked, click [HERE](#).

If you have a question for Ishbel, please email it to her at: ishbel@nmhoa.org

Social Security Increase for 2015

By: Myra Close



Social Security recipients will receive 1.7 percent [bigger checks in 2015](#), the Social Security

Administration announced today. And some groups of workers will begin receiving benefit statements in the mail with a list of taxes paid and an estimate of their future retirement benefit. Here's a look at the new Social Security benefits, taxes and services workers and retirees will experience in 2015: [HERE](#).

Do you have to file your taxes by April 15 if you

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are **owed** a refund? You may be surprised to see how long you have to file for a tax refund. To find out more about your tax benefits see [HERE](#).



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