

Shaun Donovan, Director

Shaun Donovan was sworn in as the 40th Director of the Office of Management and Budget on July 28, 2014. Donovan has committed his life to public service focused on good government and smart investment, while also building his leadership skills in the private, non-profit and academic sectors.



Prior to OMB, Donovan served as the 15th Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, where he managed the Department's \$47 billion budget – helping families buy homes, aiding households in fighting off foreclosure, revitalizing distressed communities and combating homelessness. While at HUD, Donovan made critical investments to speed economic growth, while also offering new savings proposals and ensuring fiscal responsibility.

In December 2012, President Obama signed an Executive Order creating the *Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force* and appointed Donovan as Chair. The *Task Force* was charged with creating a comprehensive regional plan, based on local vision for redevelopment, to guide long term disaster recovery efforts. This appointment built on his experience with disaster-related recovery and rebuilding challenges from a national perspective in response to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Together with U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, he led the President's *Long-Term Disaster Working Group* composed of more than 20 federal agencies. The Group worked closely with State and local communities, as well as experts and stakeholders from around the nation, to create the National Disaster Recovery Framework published in 2011.

Prior to his service in the Obama Administration, Donovan previously served as Commissioner of the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) where he created and implemented HPD's New Housing Marketplace Plan to build and preserve 165,000 affordable homes, the largest municipal affordable housing plan in the nation's history.

His work at HPD included the New York City Acquisition Fund, an award-winning collaboration with foundations and banks to finance affordable housing; an innovative inclusionary zoning program; an ambitious supportive housing plan; and the Center for New York City Neighborhoods, one of the earliest responses to the foreclosure crisis. Before his service as HPD Commissioner, Secretary Donovan worked in the private sector on financing affordable housing, and was a visiting scholar at New York University (NYU).

He was also a consultant to the Millennial Housing Commission on strategies for increasing the production of multifamily housing. The Commission was created by the United States Congress to recommend ways to expand housing opportunities across the nation. Secretary Donovan also served in the Clinton administration as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Multifamily Housing at HUD, where he was the primary federal official responsible for privately-owned multifamily housing. At that time, he ran housing programs that helped 1.7 million families access affordable housing.

He also served as acting FHA Commissioner during the Clinton/Bush presidential transition. Prior to his first service at HUD, he worked at the Community Preservation Corporation (CPC) in New York City, a non-profit lender and developer of affordable housing. He also worked at the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University and as an architect. Donovan holds a B.A. and Masters degrees in Public Administration and Architecture from Harvard.