

# Shaun Donovan



## Biography

Democrat Shaun Donovan currently serves as President Obama’s Director of the Office of Management and Budget. Until 2014, Donovan was Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. While Secretary, Donovan guided the agency through the mortgage crisis recovery, making investments focused on speeding economic growth and working to ensure fiscal responsibility. A native New Yorker, Donovan is a strong proponent of affordable housing. After working as an architect in New York and Italy, Donovan joined the Community Preservation Corporation, a non-profit affordable housing developer. In 2004, Mayor Bloomberg appointed Donovan as the Commissioner of the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development. During Donovan’s tenure, he preserved 165,000 affordable homes. Before entering the public sector, Donovan researched public housing conservation and financing as a visiting scholar at New York University. Donovan then spent two years working on Federal Housing Administration and affordable housing issues for Prudential Mortgage Capital. Bradley Tusk, an advisor to Bloomberg and active critic of current New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio, is championing Donovan as a candidate for next year’s mayoral race. Donovan could be open to criticism as Mayor de Blasio has closely targeted Bloomberg and his administration for being affordable housing free marketeers. Donovan has never been elected to public office.

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Currently:  
Director of the Office of Management and Budget

Education:  
Harvard, B.S., Engineering 1987  
Harvard, Masters in Architecture and Public Administration, 1995

Born: Jan. 24, 1966, New York

## Public Sector Experience

Special Assistant, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1998

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Multifamily Housing, 2000

Acting Commissioner of Federal Housing, 2000

Consultant, Congressional Millennial Housing Commission, 2001

Commissioner of the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development, 2004

Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2009

Director, Office of Management and Budget, 2014

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