



2014 MHC State of Metropolitan Housing Report to be released December 4th

Metropolitan Housing Coalition's 2014 *State of Metropolitan Housing Report* will be released at a public forum and press event at the Louisville Urban League, 1535 West Broadway, on Thursday, December 4; at 12pm. MHC's annual report tracks nine measures of fair and affordable housing in our area and highlights a new focus topic each year.

MHC's SMHR is a valuable tool for many in our community. MHC's report is utilized by many working in government, nonprofits and community organizations, educators, researchers. The reports have helped advance discussion, collaboration, and other efforts to create positive change on many critical issues in our community. Partner organizations tell us the information in the reports has proved invaluable in their funding applications and program planning.

For the 2014 report, MHC is updating focus topic from prior SMHRs. In analyzing what issues should be highlighted in this year's report, MHC realized the SMHR focusing on the Land Development Code was published in 2006, energy costs and energy efficiency as part of housing affordability in 2008, and transportation in 2007.

While these issues, and many others, have since been incorporated into MHC's education and advocacy efforts, many of you were not even introduced to MHC when those prior reports were published. We decided it is time to update and take stock of our gains and the work that remains to be done on this and other issues.

Please join us on December 4th at the Louisville Urban League for the release event, which is free and open to the public. Of course, all MHC reports are available as FREE downloads at the MHC web site:
www.metropolitanhousing.org.

For more information on the 2014 SMHR, contact MHC at (502) 584-6858



2014 has been a great year for MHC, with many hard-fought advances and successes on the issues. As we gear up for 2015, with much work to be done, this is the perfect time to join the coalition, renew your membership, or give a gift in the name of a loved one.

Become a monthly sustaining giver to support MHC's work throughout the year.

Give the gift of safe, fair, and affordable housing with your donation to support the work of MHC. Become part of the unified voice of Metropolitan Housing Coalition today.

Donations can be made by check (made out to MHC at PO Box 4533 Louisville, KY 40204) or online at our Web site at metropolitanhousing.org.



MHC snowflake design by Jeff E. Mayes

Congratulations to Curtis Stauffer, former MHC Development Director, who is now the Executive Director of the Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky!

Find out more about this important organization at their Web site: www.hhck.org/

I support Louisville Metro's 20-Year Action Plan for Fair Housing

I support the principles and seek immediate action from Metro government on steps 1.1 and 1.2 in the plan.

Principles:

- 1) Fair Housing is a high priority.
- 2) All people should be housed in safe, decent, affordable housing.
- 3) Diversity of housing type and cost throughout our community will have a positive impact on education, access to jobs and economic opportunities for all and will help make Louisville a city that thrives over the coming century.

Immediate actions needed:

- 1) Louisville Metro should have a clear policy that states that fair housing must be considered as part of planning and action for all Metro departments. Fair housing will be included in planning and action through use of a Fair Housing Assessment tool, to be developed and coordinated by a designated Metro agency.
- 2) A Louisville Metro agency or department MUST be designated with the authority and responsibility to lead and oversee implementation of the action steps included in the 20-Year Plan for Fair Housing.

Signature

Date

Full Name

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MAYOR FISCHER NEEDS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

MHC is forming a coalition to urge Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer to enact Metro Louisville's 20-year plan for fair housing Louisville Metro, released earlier this year.

What is the 20-Year Action Plan for Fair Housing? The Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission, released *Making Louisville Home for Us All*, a history of housing segregation in Louisville, prepared by the Anne Braden Institute at the University of Louisville, and a 20-Year action plan for fair housing, prepared by MHC, which addresses our hidden legacy and provides measurable, achievable steps to lessen segregation in just one generation.

You can download the full report at MHC's Web site: http://www.metropolitanhousing.org/wp-content/uploads/member_docs/FairHousingReport_2013_15.pdf

What is being asked? Support Louisville Metro as it implements the 20-Year Plan for Fair Housing. Sign on to the plan's principles and the plan's first action steps by completing the form at the top of the page and returning it to MHC.

**Send the completed and signed commitment form to us at Metropolitan Housing Coalition,
P.O. Box 4533, Louisville KY 40204
FAX to (502) 452-6718**

Scan & email form to cathy@metropolitanhousing.org

Call MHC at (502) 584-6858 for additional information or to have MHC speak about the report at your event.

Community Calendar

Fair Housing Coalition meets 2pm each 2nd TUE at New Directions, 1000 E. Liberty

Louisville Vacant Property Campaign meets 5:30pm each 3rd TUE at 1229 S. Shelby St.

Upcoming Bank On Louisville Events:

Thursday, October 30 8am - 4pm 2nd Annual Financial Empowerment Summit: Topics and Strategies for Promoting Economic Inclusion at Hotel Louisville 120 W. Broadway. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Full information and registration at:

<http://www.cnpe.org/learnings/a05C000000CwVwflAF>

Strategies for Slashing Your Debt - Tues. Nov. 4, 6pm-7pm at Shawnee LFPL (3912 W. Broadway)

<http://www.louisvilleky.gov/CSR/Calendar/strategies-for-slashing-debt-nov-4.htm?eventmode=daterange&range=all>

Start Fresh! - Wed. November 12, 5:30-7:30pm at Farnsley Middle School (3400 Lees Ln.)

<http://louisvilleky.gov/CSR/Calendar/Start-Fresh-workshop-Nov-12.htm?eventmode=latest&range=latest>

Start Fresh! - Thurs. November 13, 5:30-7:30pm at Louisville Urban League (1535 W. Broadway)

<http://www.louisvilleky.gov/CSR/Calendar/start-fresh-nov-13.htm?eventmode=daterange&range=all>

Other events:

Ending November 11th, 2014 Louisville Free Public Library Main Branch, 301 York St.

Regular viewing hours: M-F 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Fri/Sat 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Sun 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

The Anne Braden Institute for Social Justice Research, in collaboration with University of Louisville Libraries, the Louisville Free Public Library, and Courier-Journal Media is marking the anniversary with an exhibit about the Bradens' sedition trial and surrounding events of 1954. Supplemental educational resources are available online at www.louisville.edu/braden and at <http://www.kentuckyoralhistory.org/collections/anne-braden-oral-history-project>. For more information and links to media coverage about the exhibit, please visit <http://anne-braden.org/black-freedom-white-allies-red-scare-louisville-1954/>.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014 9:00 am – 11:00 am at the Yearlings Club, 4309 W. Broadway - Anne Braden Institute's 2nd Annual Research Meets Activism Breakfast - The theme for this year's Research Meets Activism Breakfast is "Overcoming Stereotypes and Unconscious Bias." Scholars from the University of Louisville and community activists will address how they are observing and overcoming stereotypes and unconscious bias in law, media, housing, education, and everyday interactions. Breakfast is free, but space limited, must register to attend. Breakfast available for max. 40 people ONLY, so please reserve your spot no later than Nov. 4th. Tickets also available to attend without breakfast. Please click here to register <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/2nd-annual-research-meets-activism-breakfast-tickets-13620490>. For more information, contact Mariam Williams at 502-852-6142 or mariam.williams@louisville.edu.

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014, 5:30 p.m.

The 8th annual Anne Braden Memorial Lecture - "From Freedom Summer to Ferguson: Why We Need a New Culture of Belonging" at the Belknap Playhouse, 1911 S. Third St. ** FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. NO TICKETS REQUIRED.** john a. powell, J.D., professor of law, African American studies and ethnic studies at University of California Berkeley, will speak about his decades of work on structural racism, social justice and spirituality for the 8th Annual Anne Braden Memorial Lecture. He has been a leader in developing an "opportunity-based" housing model that provides a critical and creative framework for thinking about affordable housing, racialized space, and the many ways that housing influences other opportunity domains including education, health, health care, and employment. For more information and to download a PDF of this year's lecture flyer, please visit: <http://anne-braden.org/anne-braden-memorial-lectures/>. *To reserve seating for a class or group of 10 or more, please contact the Anne Braden Institute at 502-852-6142.

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 8 a.m. at The Henry Clay, 604 South Third Street - Advocates and supporters are invited to join **New Directions Housing Corporation** for their 2nd annual Dream Builders Breakfast. For reservations, please call Amy Wade, NDHC, at (502) 719-7143. Proceeds support Repair Affair, Learning Centers, and the Neighborhood Roundtable.

Strengthen the United Voice for Fair and Affordable Housing!

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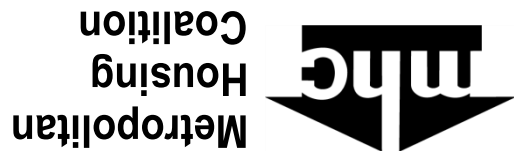
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