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As we begin the New Year, filled with challenges and opportunities, The Coalition Staff and Board of Directors would like to wish you a New Year filled with love, peace and happiness.

COMING UP MONDAY MORNING JANUARY 9TH:

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FORUM ADDRESSES JAIL/MI POPULATION

MHA-Kentucky will present John Fallon, director of "Returning Home" in Chicago for the Corporation for Supportive Housing, in a continuing education workshop in Louisville on Monday, January 9, from 9-11 am. The forum is related to the work of the "Jail/ Mental Illness" subcommittee of the Louisville Metro Criminal Justice Commission, of which MHA-Kentucky is a member. The subcommittee, chaired by Judge Judith Bartholomew, is reviewing the needs of about six dozen Louisvillians who are frequently jailed and have severe mental illnesses and addictions. John Fallon has extensive experience with several evidence-based interventions for this population, including Permanent Supportive Housing and Assertive Community Treatment; he will review the models and discuss their practical application with people who are frequently jailed.

MHA-Kentucky has requested pre-approval of 2.0 Continuing Education credits for most mental health professions (cost for CEU documentation is \$30). Attendance without CEU documentation is free, but first-come first-serve. The registration table and a continental breakfast open at 8:30 am. This workshop is presented by MHA-Kentucky in collaboration with the Louisville Metro Criminal Justice Commission, Louisville Metro Department of Corrections, Seven Counties Services and the Kentucky Division for Behavioral Health. LEARN MORE REGISTER ONLINE. Call MHA-Kentucky at 502-893-0460 for more information or as an alternative to online registration.

“TRAUMA 101: AN INTRODUCTION TO UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA ON PEOPLE WE SERVE AND THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE”

This 3- hour workshop will cover basic information about trauma, the prevalence among those experiencing homelessness, signs of traumatic stress as well as an introduction to providing trauma-informed care as the best practice for working with those affected by trauma.

Workshop presented by Laurie S. Hardin MSSW, and Trauma Informed Care Specialist

TWO WORKSHOPS WILL BE OFFERED THURSDAY JANUARY 12th

SIGN-UP for EITHER (9a.m.-12 noon) or (1p.m. – 4p.m.)

Email sward@louhomeless.org and provide your name and agency name

2012 STREET COUNT

It is that time! Every year the Coalition for the Homeless conducts a "street count" to compile a census of people who are living on the street. On Wednesday, January 25, 2012, 6p.m.-8p.m., we will be doing the Street Count again. We will need lots of volunteers. We mostly need people to help on the streets. We will need some people to be inside to distribute clothing and sleeping bags, people to "direct traffic" inside the shelter, etc.

For 2011 we had over 150 volunteers and we were able to get to a lot of people. This show of support is invaluable to the homeless community. I am hoping to have more volunteers and get to even MORE people this year. This census helps us determine the amount of funding needed for homeless services in the community. I am looking forward to seeing many of you again and hope to see some new faces too! Start out 2012 with a good deed!! Please reply to sbinford@sevencounties.org to sign up or for further information. (No one under 18 years old, please.)

TAG SALE & TREASURE HUNT A BENEFIT FOR RX: HOUSING DOLLARS FOR DEPOSITS FUND

WAYSIDE HOTEL LOUISVILLE 2ND AND BROADWAY

Friday, February 3 rd	Noon to 6:00 pm
Saturday, February 4 th	8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sunday, February 5 th	8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Donations may be dropped off at the hotel all day Friday, February 3rd starting at 7:00 am. Items being accepted are new and vintage clothing, jewelry and accessories, handbags, shoes, household gift items (all those unwanted Christmas gifts), books, small furnishings, etc. We cannot accept upholstered items. We will accept some toys but not stuffed animals. And, donations of baked goods! A bake sale is always popular. All proceeds will benefit the Rx: Housing Dollars for Deposits fund. Items not sold will be donated to the Wayside Thrift Store. We will also be offering children's crafts; face painting, paper flower making and a coloring contest.

NOTE: Volunteers are need to:

- help with set-up and display
- serve as cashiers
- host the children's activities
- work the bake sale table

Contact Julie Rowling at jrolwing@louhomeless.org for more information.

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Upcoming Meetings

Board of Directors	March 16, 2012	8:00 am
Executive Board	February 15, 2012	8:00 am
Continuum of Care, MUW	January 9, 2012	3:30 pm

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