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*“Another fresh new year is here . . .  
Another year to live!  
To banish worry, doubt, and fear,  
To love and laugh and give!*

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

*The Coalition for the Homeless Staff*

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## IDENTIFICATION CARD BILL

With the coming of a new year, we also begin a new legislative session in Frankfort. On December 16, 2010, Senator Tom Buford filed BR78, an act relating to identification cards for people experiencing homelessness. This bill makes two small amendments to KRS 186.531 which is the legislation outlining the process to obtain an identification card in Kentucky. BR78 defines a homeless person as anyone without a fixed, permanent address and allows homeless persons to acquire a one-year identification card at the fee of \$4 versus the usual four-year identification card at the fee of \$12.

It is our hope that this bill will help homeless service agencies be able to afford assistance to homeless persons accessing ID cards so that they can get benefits, employment and housing. We also hope the person assisted can then be on their feet to pay for a four year ID by the end of the year. Meanwhile, the bill does not cost the state because each person is still paying the same amount per year for their ID.

The Coalition for the Homeless will keep you up to date through the session on this bill. Meanwhile, be sure to ask your legislators to support the bill any time you get a chance.

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## BED BUGS! UGH!

Here is a link to the document “Bed Bug Prevention in Shelters & Group Living Facilities,” developed by Cornell University and the State of New York. It’s an easy-to-use manual that provides valuable guidance on best management practices, intake procedures, social worker procedures, room preparation and more. Bed Bug Prevention in Shelters & Group Living Facilities (Cornell U) [http://www.nysipm.cornell.edu/publications/bb\\_guidelines/](http://www.nysipm.cornell.edu/publications/bb_guidelines/)

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## Blueprint University Training Session

### **BED BUGS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW DONNY BLAKE, PRESIDENT OPC PEST CONTROL**

Open to all Coalition Members  
JANUARY 18, 2011  
10:30 AM  
HOTEL LOUISVILLE  
(2<sup>nd</sup> and Broadway)

Please email [[sward@louhomeless.org](mailto:sward@louhomeless.org)] or call Senlin Ward at  
The Coalition for the Homeless [636-2550] to RSVP)

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### **LOUISVILLE METRO HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION'S 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL RACE AND RELATIONS CONFERENCE**

The Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Race and Relations Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25, 2011, at Kentucky Center for African American Heritage, 1701 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd., Louisville, Kentucky 40203. This year's conference, entitled "***Leveling the Playing Field***", will include luncheon keynote speaker Lilly Ledbetter, fair pay activist and namesake of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act (signed into law by President Obama on January 29, 2009), and workshops to address social issues in the areas of Civil Rights for Immigrants, United Front in Post-Racial America?, Empowering Youth Today to Build Community Capacity Tomorrow and Beyond, Housing and Employment Legal Updates, Economic Assistance for Small Businesses. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission is returning to conduct its annual session on legal updates in employment.

Interested persons and groups may register with credit card on-line at [www.louisvilleky.gov/humanrelations/](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/humanrelations/) or mail the attached registration form with payment to the Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission. Please submit a separate form for each attendee. The deadline for registration is January 18<sup>th</sup>; however, we encourage you to register early as we anticipate yet another increase in attendees.

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### **STREET COUNT 2011**

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 26, 2011, 6p.m.-8p.m., we will be doing the Street Count again. We will need lots of volunteers, even if it is just for an hour. We need people to help on the streets; people to be inside to distribute clothing and sleeping bags, people to "direct traffic" inside the shelter, etc.

For 2010 we had over 70 volunteers and it was the most successful count to date. This show of support is invaluable to the homeless community. This census helps us determine the amount of funding needed for homeless services in Louisville. I am looking forward to seeing many of you again and hope to see some new faces too! Start out 2011 with a good deed!! Please reply to [sbinford@sevencounties.org](mailto:sbinford@sevencounties.org) to sign up or for further information. (No one under 18 years old, please.)

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## SAVE THE DATE FOR RAISIN' THE RENT

The holidays are here and it won't be long until 2011 is upon us. That's why it is important to mark Feb. 26 on your calendar. Our largest annual fundraiser, *Raisin' the Rent*, will be held on that date at The Olmsted, 3701 Frankfort Avenue, from 7-11 p.m. Tickets are for \$25 each. Sponsorships are available. It will be an evening of fun, food, friends, silent and live auctions, music, dancing and games of chance.

Get all the latest information about this important St. John Center event on our website, [stjohncenter.org](http://stjohncenter.org) or on Facebook

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## WELCOME THE NEW DIRECTOR OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ROGER A. LEONARD, CPD DIRECTOR – LOUISVILLE, KY

Roger A. Leonard joined HUD in November 2010 as the Louisville Field Office Director of Community Planning and Development (CPD). Roger has more than twenty years of experience in community planning, economic development, strategic planning, program and project management, technical writing, risk assessment and financial management. Prior to coming to HUD, he was the Community/Strategic Planner and Policy writer for J.M. Waller and Associates, Inc. He was assigned as the Strategic Planner/Communicator for the Army Reserve Command HQ for, The Assistant Commander for Installation Management; in Washington DC. He also served at the 81st Regional Sustainment Command (USAR) in Columbia South Carolina, as the Community Master Planner. Prior to these assignments he was the Senior Program Analyst and Project Manager for RSR Development Associates, LLC in Norfolk Virginia, working on public policy development, affordable housing and commercial economic development projects. He served in the US Navy (Submarines) for 20 years as a technical engineer and program manager, before starting a career in the private sector. Roger is a graduate of St. Leo University in Norfolk, Virginia with a BA in Criminology and Psychology and has a graduate degree in Public Administration/Management (MPA) from Troy University in Troy Alabama. Roger is a longtime and active Pilot with over 3500 hours of flight time. He is married to Dorothy A. (Cooke) Leonard, and they have two daughters and three grandchildren.

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The Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky has scheduled a legislative luncheon for February 16, 2011 at the Capital Annex Cafeteria in Frankfort at 11:30 a.m. All Coalition for the Homeless members are invited to join this luncheon meeting to meet with legislators to support the homeless ID bill BR78 or other legislation of interest to you. To find out more, contact Penny Young at 502-223-1834.

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**CHILI BOWL FUNDRAISER**  
*SPONSORED BY A NEW  
BEGINNING FOR WOMEN*

1261 SO. BROOK ST.  
PHONE: 634-4252 OR 262-8421  
FAX: 634-1385  
DATE: January 7, 2011  
TIME: 11AM – 3PM

CHILI BOWL-----\$3.00  
DESERTS-----\$ .75  
SODA-----\$ .50  
LARGE ORDERS CAN BE DELIVERED

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The [930 gallery](#), 930 Mary Street Louisville, KY 40204, invites you to attend the opening reception of

"What I Keep" Photographs of  
the New Face of Homelessness and Poverty"  
by Susan Mullally

Friday, January 21, 2011  
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
Artist Talk at 7:15

A free concert by Cheyenne Marie Mize and husband & wife will begin at 8:00 p.m.  
The exhibit will be on view January 21 - March 6, 2011

Feel free to forward this to others in your organization or the general public. If you would like postcards or posters to hang, please contact us at: [julie@the930.org](mailto:julie@the930.org).

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**THE SALVATION ARMY CULINARY PROGRAM IS NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS  
FOR OUR NEXT CLASS STARTING JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**

This is open to any individual, 18 and over, homeless or below the poverty line who is seeking to gain marketable skills that lead to employment in the food service industry. Please apply in person or fill out the attached application and return to:

The Center of Hope  
831 S. Brook Street  
Louisville, KY 40203

Applications will be accepted until Tuesday, January 11, 2011

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## MENTAL HEALTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE MEETING

There will not be a Mental Health Meeting in November and December. The Mental Health Substance Abuse Meeting will be every other month beginning in January since December is such a busy month for most of us. In January the topic will be "eating disorders." It will be an informational session conducted by Debbie Slagle Pike from St Vincent de Paul's St Jude House. Everyone is welcome. Please RSVP by e-mail to [pams@thehealingplace.org](mailto:pams@thehealingplace.org).

Women's Healing Place  
1503 S 15th Street

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# Upcoming Meetings

Board of Directors	January 21, 2011	8:00 a.m.
Executive Board	February 10, 2011	8:00 a.m.
Service Provider, CWF	January 11, 2011	9:30 a.m.
Continuum of Care, MUW	January 10, 2011	3:30 p.m.

## THE COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS STAFF

<b>Natalie Harris</b> , Executive Director	<a href="mailto:nharris@louhomeless.org">nharris@louhomeless.org</a>
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