



JUST THE FAX

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THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) has announced that homeowners, renters and business-owners in eleven Kentucky counties are eligible for federal disaster assistance following the severe storms, tornadoes and flooding last month. I know many homes, especially in South Louisville, were affected. The counties include **Jefferson**, Boyd, Crittenden, Graves, Hardin, Hickman, Marshall, McCracken, Livingston, Union and Webster.

FEMA is encouraging affected individuals to begin the process of applying for federal disaster assistance by phone or online. FEMA officials say flood survivors do not have to wait for an insurance inspection to register.

There is registration information both in the flyer, attached, and in the Mayor's Press Release, below. If you know of anyone personally or are working with an agency who suffered from any flood damage you might want to forward this information to them.

THE CLARK COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION is looking for an individual to fill the position of Executive Director for a new shelter that will be opening in the summer of 2011. We are seeking someone with strong administrative and case management skills. Interested persons should review the attached job description and send resume to:
clarkcountyhomelesscoalition@gmail.com

The Cathedral of the Assumption presents:

DESSERTS! DESSERTS!

A Benefit for House of Ruth
Friday, June 3rd from 11-3PM

A variety of decadent desserts from local Louisville restaurants will be offered along with scrumptious soups and refreshments!

(Event will occur in the undercroft of the Cathedral, located at 433 S. 5th Street)

BIKERS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS HAVEN

Saturday, June 25th
Bowman Air Field Hangar, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Bring your bike or ATV to our *Bikers for Boys and Girls Haven*. You can exhibit your bike in a judged or spectator class or simply bring the family to view all the bikes. We will have music all day and bands will begin playing at 4 p.m. Food and drink will be available. Admission can be purchased online at www.boyshaven.org or at the door.

DADS UNITE

Join fellow fathers of Louisville and Southern Indiana as we do our part to rise Awareness of dating violence and support respectful, nonviolent relationships.

Monday, June 13 2011 4:00pm-6:00pm
Jefferson Square Park at Sixth & Jefferson

Featured Speakers

Rus Ervin Funk
Councilwoman Vicki Welch
Marta Miranda, CEO of Center for Women and Families
Rev. Kilen Gray
Shawn Gardner, 2Not!: Fathers and Families
Scott Davenport

PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS

Beginning June 6, 2011, homeless persons will be able to get one-year, \$4 photo IDs.

For a list of sites to obtain an ID in Jefferson County, go to:
http://www.louisvilleky.gov/Residents/drivers_license.htm

We recommend that you contact the office and/or send a staff person along for the first few times you try this new process because it will be new for everyone. Also, remember that homeless persons still have to bring all the same documentation required by anyone for an ID or drivers license. This includes a birth certificate, social security card and proof of residency. For more information on these requirements or if moving from another state or trying to get a driver's license, check out the Kentucky Department for Transportation website for details at: <http://drlic.kytc.ky.gov/general/general.htm>. To get the one year ID, the client must also provide documentation of homelessness. For documentation of homelessness, we recommend a signed letter from your agency stating that they are homeless and being served by your agency on your agency letterhead and, if possible, an HMIS print out to show that they are being housed at your agency.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY! CONFERENCE.

This conference is sponsored by Seven Counties Services, Inc., Bridgehaven, Wellspring, Our Lady of Peace, the Department of Behavioral Health/Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, the Olmstead Coalition and many other friends. Each year, our numbers grow and we expect this to be our largest yet, with over 600 participants. This celebration, along with the many other events we share throughout the year, moves us closer to actualizing a community where people with a mental illness can live, work and enjoy relationships, free of stigma and discrimination.

The Fourth Annual Celebrate Recovery! Conference will be a two-day event !

THURSDAY, JULY 14TH, 7-9PM

Baxter Avenue Theatres
1250 Bardstown Rd.
Louisville, KY

Victoria Maxwell, an award-winning actress and individual diagnosed with bipolar disorder, is internationally renowned for her one-woman plays depicting mental illness and recovery. She has performed in movies and on television with John Travolta, Johnny Depp and others. On Thursday evening, Ms. Maxwell will perform **“Funny....You Don’t Look Crazy”** at the Baxter Avenues Theatres. Cost of admission is \$10. For those unable to pay, there will be a limited number of free seats available. CEUs are pending.

FRIDAY, JULY 15TH, 9:30A – 3P

Hyatt Regency Hotel
320 W. Jefferson
Louisville, KY

In addition to lunch and our **Annual Champion of Recovery Awards**, we are joining with Bridgehaven and Wellspring for an Art display and sale, as well as an opportunity for individuals with performing art talents to display their skills. At the conference, Ms. Maxwell will perform **“Wilderness Tips for the Comeback Trail: Reclaiming Joy and Balance.”** CEUs are pending.

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 15TH

Ms. Maxwell will perform, **“Head over Heels,”** a play about dating and relationships for individuals with a mental illness. The time and location are still pending.

We hope that through the conference we will be able to bring providers, consumers and family members together to celebrate the role that each of us plays in creating a recovery environment throughout Louisville and surrounding counties. Please mark these dates in your calendars. You will be receiving additional correspondence soon regarding nominations for our annual **Champion of Recovery Awards**. Registration brochures and conference posters are in the works and will be distributed soon, as well.

ATTACHMENTS WITH JUST THE FAX

- SOAR Training in Ashland, Kentucky
 - FEMA Flyer

- Position Description

SOAR - SSDI OUTREACH, ACCESS, AND RECOVERY)

Have you attended a SOAR training but are having problems getting started with your first SSI/SSDI application?

Do you have questions about the process?

Do you need answers from Social Security or DDS people?

Do you need help doing the Medical Summary and Functional Report?

If you responded “yes” to even ONE of these questions, we invite you to our monthly SOAR Planning Committee meetings held every second Thursday of the month (11 a.m. – 12 p.m.). The next meeting will be Thursday, June 9 at 11 a.m. at St. John Center (corner of Clay and E. Muhammad Ali Blvd). Take the stairs to the left of the registration desk.

BJA RELEASES SOLICITATIONS FOR REENTRY PROGRAMS TARGETING SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS OR CO-OCCURRING MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS; NATIONAL REENTRY RESOURCE CENTER ANNOUNCES WEBINAR

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice, recently released solicitations for two Second Chance Act grant programs targeting individuals with substance use disorders or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders.

The deadline for applications is 11:59 p.m. ET on June 23, 2011.

- The Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders will provide funding to state and local government agencies and "federally recognized Indian tribes" to establish or enhance residential substance abuse treatment programs in correctional facilities that include *aftercare and recovery supportive services*. To download the solicitation for the Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders, click [here](#).
- The Family-Based Offender Substance Abuse Treatment Program will provide funding to state and local government agencies and “federally recognized Indian tribes” to establish or enhance residential substance abuse treatment programs in correctional facilities including *family supportive services*. To download the solicitation for the Family-Based Offender Substance Abuse Treatment Program, click [here](#).

Upcoming Meetings

Board of Directors	July 15, 2011	8:00 a.m.
Executive Board	June 15, 2011	8:00 a.m.
Continuum of Care, MUW	June 6, 2011	3:30 p.m.

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