

HELPING ABUSE VICTIMS FIND HOUSING & HOME

FREE Training Event

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

10 A.M.-3:15 P.M.

Alcohol, Drug Addiction, Mental Health Board

7990 Dairy Lane

Athens, OH 45701



Featuring

Attorney Joe Maskovyak

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Managing Attorney Anne Rubin

SEOLS - Athens

Staff Attorney Rob Henry

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My Sister's Place

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ACTION OHIO

Coalition For Battered Women

Goals

To instruct advocates who serve battered victims

- 1) How to help victims obtain subsidized housing and maintain or terminate housing in order to escape from abuse and stay safe and
- 2) How to advocate with PHAs* for policy changes that will benefit battered victims.

Objectives

To educate advocates about

- Subsidized housing options & how to access them.
- PHA* plans & existing preferences.
- VAWA's housing provisions.
- Advocating for individual DV victims.
- Advocating for policy changes to better accommodate all DV victims.

Agenda includes

Advocacy Panel Presentation - Agencies represented on the Panel include staff from My Sister's Place, several Legal Aid organizations and AMHA (Athens Metropolitan Housing Authority).

Subjects to be covered are 1) Process to obtain subsidized housing, 2) Assistance provided to victims seeking housing, 3) Advocacy for victims with PHAs, 4) How PHAs develop plans & preferences, and 5) Opportunities to modify PHA plans impacting victims.

Who Should Attend?

Anyone who assists abuse victims by providing support, resources & referral.

RSVP by March 10 by calling or e-mailing

Toll Free 888 622-9315 or actionohio@sbcglobal.net

Participants may brown bag lunch or visit nearby restaurants.

Application for CEUs for Counselors, Social Workers & Marriage & Family Therapists is pending.

***Public Housing Authority**

Name _____ Agency _____

Phone/Fax/Email _____

This training event is being presented in conjunction with ACTION OHIO's Family Violence Prevention & Services Act Grant Project, Safe At Home.

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Event Outline

- 10:00 – 10:05 a.m. **Welcome, Introductions & Logistics by ACTION OHIO & Co-Sponsor**
- 10:05 – 11:00 a.m. **I. Overview of Subsidized Housing + Q&A (55 min)**
- 11:00 – 11:10 a.m. **BREAK**
- 11:10 – 11:50 a.m. **II. Application Denials Process + Q&A (40 min)**
- A. Public Housing**
 - B. Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher**
 - C. Section 8 Project Based Housing**
- 11:50 – 12:30 p.m. **III. Termination Process + Q&A (40 min)**
- A. Public Housing**
 - B. Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher**
 - C. Section 8 Project Based Housing**
- 12:30 – 1:15 p.m. **LUNCH (45 min)**
- 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **IV. Violence Against Women Act Housing Provisions + Q&A (1 hr)**
- 2:15 – 2:25 p.m. **BREAK**
- 2:25 – 3:05 p.m. **V. Advocacy by Representatives of PHA/s & DV Program/s (40 min)**
- A. Advocacy & Negotiation for Individuals**
 - B. Advocacy for Policy Change & Adoption of Federal Recommendations**
- 3:05 – 3:15 p.m. **VI. Wrap Up & Q&A (10 min)**
- 3:15 p.m. **Adjourn**

