

HELPING ABUSE VICTIMS FIND HOUSING & HOME Training Event

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

8:45 A.M.-12 Noon

Compass Family & Community Services

535 Marmion Ave., Youngstown 44502



Featuring

Co-Presenters

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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.

***Public Housing Authority**

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 - Advocacy Panel Presentation will include perspectives of domestic violence advocates, Legal Aid attorneys and public housing authorities.

Subjects to be covered are 1) Understanding the complex world of subsidized housing, 2) Process to obtain subsidized housing, 3) Overcoming barriers and denials to victims seeking housing, 4) Advocacy for victims facing termination from subsidized housing, 5) How PHAs develop plans & preferences, and 6) Opportunities to modify PHA plans impacting victims.

Who Should Attend?

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

RSVP by April 28 by calling or faxing or e-mailing

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

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