



HELPING ABUSE VICTIMS FIND HOUSING & HOME

FREE Training Event

Tuesday, April 24, 2012

10 A.M. – 2 P.M.

Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority

880 E. 11th Ave., Columbus, OH 43211

Featuring

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&

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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

Advocacy Panel Presentation

Agencies represented on the Panel include DV Shelter, Legal Aid & Public 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 April 20 by calling or e-mailing

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

Participants may brown bag lunch or order box lunch for \$10 each.

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

Name _____ Agency _____

Phone/Fax/Email _____

Box Lunch (Optional) No Yes (\$10 per person) (Regular or Vegetarian)

Box lunches must be pre-paid. Mail check, payable to ACTION OHIO:

ACTION OHIO, 5900 Roche Dr., Suite 445, Columbus, OH 43229.

Event Outline

10 A.M. Welcome, Introductions & Logistics by ACTION OHIO & Co-Sponsor

10:05 A.M. I. **Overview of Subsidized Housing + Q&A (40 min)**

10:50 A.M. II. **Application Denials Process + Q&A (30 min)**

A. **Public Housing**

B. **Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher**

C. **Section 8 Project Based Housing**

11:20-30 A.M. Break

11:30 A.M. III. **Termination Process + Q&A (30 min)**

A. **Public Housing**

B. **Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher**

C. **Section 8 Project Based Housing**

12 Noon Lunch Break

12:30 P.M. IV. **Violence Against Women Act Housing Provisions + Q&A (45 min)**

1:15 P.M. V. **Advocacy Panel Presentation (DV Shelter, Legal Aid & PHA) (35 min)**

A. **Advocacy & Negotiation for Individuals**

B. **Advocacy for Policy Change & Adoption of Federal Recommendations**

1:50 P.M. VI. **Wrap Up & Q&A (10 min)**

2 P.M. **Adjourn**

2-2:15 P.M. **Attorneys will be available for consultation regarding individual housing cases.**

