



With these Updates, we hope to encourage you with news of local progress on the strategies of the ten-year plan, educate you with information re: projects, services, homeless issues, and inspire you with news of other activities around the country!

Vol. 4, No. 3

June 2008

**Inside this issue:**

- Work of the Commission on Homelessness 1-2
- Upcoming Meetings & Events 2
- Spotlight on ... Community Action Program of Evansville (CAPE) 2
- Contact Information 2
- Destination: Home* on the Internet 3

## Champions for Ending Homelessness

**New Commitments to the Spirit & Philosophy of *Destination: Home***  
*We welcome recent organizational, individual and elected official endorsements from these "Champions" for ending homelessness:*

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:** Commissioner Jeff Korb, Vanderburgh Co. Commissioners; John E. Friend, Evansville City Council-5th Ward; Rick A. Davis, Chief Deputy Recorder  
**ORGANIZATIONAL:** Boys & Girls Club of Evansville, Career Choices, Inc., CHAIN Neighborhood Association, Dayspring Ministries, Inc., Eastview Neighborhood Association, Evansville Weed & Seed, Girl Scouts of Raintree Council, Helfrich Neighborhood Association, Lorraine Park Neighborhood Association, St. Vincent's Day Care Center, United Neighborhoods of Evansville, Westside Improvement Association, Inc.  
**INDIVIDUAL:** Jan Barnes, Stephanie Caudle, Janet Coleman, Chris Cook, Ron Cox, Crystal Favela, Diana Finnin, Marcia Gordon, Robert Head, Linda K. Jones, Maryann Joyce, Delores Mason, Joette McKasson, Richard McKasson, James E. Morgan, DeAnna L. Outlaw, George Postlethweight, Lyneve Scott, Franks Siscel, Connie Stewart

*We continue to actively solicit endorsements, both from organizations and individuals. Contact 428-3246 x 28 to request an endorsement form. Please submit in your endorsement if you support the spirit and philosophy of *Destination: Home*.*



### Indiana Housing Now

*Are you looking for a place to rent in the area?*

*Are you a landlord with rentals?*



This website is a free and anonymous tool to search for and list affordable and accessible housing for rent & for sale:

www.indianahousingnow.org  
or call toll free 1.877.428.8844

## Commission Announces New Coalition

The Commission on Homelessness oversees the implementation of *Destination: Home*. Its committees are active in addressing the strategies of the city/county ten-year plan.

The Discharge Planning Committee has hired Mindy Niehaus to serve as the Discharge Planning Coordinator. This position's initial funding has come through the support of Vanderburgh Co. Corrections, City of Evansville, Deaconess Hospital, and St. Mary's Medical Center. The Coalition Coordinator will assist area institu-

tions with developing plans that include housing considerations when

releasing clients, patients, inmates or wards of the state.

The committee has launched an ongoing Discharge Planning Coalition, inviting interested agencies, ministries, and community members to become involved in this broad-reaching means of preventing homelessness.

**NEXT MEETING:**  
Thurs., Sept. 4 at 11:00 a.m. at Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library (Browning Events Room, Central branch). Please RSVP to Mindy at 774-1480 or email [homelink@destination-home.info](mailto:homelink@destination-home.info) Visit the DPC homepage at [www.destination-home.info/dpc.htm](http://www.destination-home.info/dpc.htm)

The Housing Committee is

## Commission on Homelessness

continuing to promote a web-based service that connects prospective tenants with landlords and rental units (visit [www.indianahousingnow.org](http://www.indianahousingnow.org) or a link is available from the *Destination: Home* site) **NEXT MEETING: Wed., Aug. 20 at 1:30 p.m. at United Way of Southwestern Indiana.**

The Prevention Committee has completed its Housing Risk Assessment Tool and is working on developing instructions for use and a list of intervention suggestions. The tool will aid agencies in the community in discussing housing needs and options with those they serve.

(continued pg. 2)

## Upcoming Meetings & Events

### Commission on Homelessness

Thu., Aug 14 at 10:00 am, Mayor's conference room, Civic Center, Evansville

### Homeless Services Council of Southwest Indiana

Fri., Aug. 8 at 12:00 noon at YWCA, 118 Vine St., Evansville

**Ducks on the Ohio**  
Sat., Aug. 9—Dress Plaza in downtown Evansville; call 479-DUCK (3825)

**Destination: Home booth at "Maternity 2 Tweens Day"**  
Sat., Sept. 13 at Tri-State Athletic Club

**Bridges Out of Poverty Day 2 training**  
Wed., Aug. 27  
**Day 1 training**  
Wed. Oct. 8

call 428-4975 x 30 for a registration forms or download from [www.destination-home.info/bridges.htm](http://www.destination-home.info/bridges.htm)

### Commission on Homelessness

Thu., Sept. 11 at 10:00 am, Mayor's conference room, Civic Center

### Homeless Services Council

Fri., Sep. 12 at 12:00 noon at YWCA, 118 Vine St., Evansville

## Homeless Youth Coalition

The Homeless Youth Coalition (HYC) has committees (Community Awareness, Legislation, Prevention, Services, & Data Collection) which are addressing the various recommendations approved by the Commission earlier this year.

For more information, visit the HYC home page at [www.destination-home.info/hyc.htm](http://www.destination-home.info/hyc.htm) or call 428-4975 x 28

(continued from pg. 1)

NEXT HYC MEETING:

Mon., Aug. 4 at 12:00 noon at Old National Bank, Blue & Gold Room (downtown Evansville).

The new **Raising Incomes Committee** will hold its NEXT MEETING on Thurs., July 31 at 2:30 p.m. at WorkOne. This group will be addressing the strategies in *Destination: Home* regarding incomes and work skills.

## Commission on Homelessness

The next Commission on Homelessness meeting will be Thurs., Aug. 14, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. in the Mayor's conference room at the Civic Centre.

Commissioner Troy Tornatta serves as Chair until the end of 2008, when the chairmanship will switch to Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel for 2009.

## Spotlight on ...

### Community Action Program of Evansville (CAPE)



**MISSION** CAPE addresses the customer's needs in a non-judgmental and respectful manner to promote economic and social self-sufficiency.

Offers these programs:

#### HOUSING SERVICES

- Housing Counseling, Financial Literacy, Foreclosure Mitigation
- Individual Development Accounts
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program
- Purchase/Rehab/Resale Program

#### CUSTOMER SERVICES

CAPE's *Summer Cooling Program* can assist qualified households with utility assistance-call 492-3939 or 492-3934! (contact CAPE for more services)

#### EDUCATION

- Head Start
- Early Head Start
- Enterprise Zone Child Development Center
- Learning Center
- Teacher's Recycling Program

#### FOSTER GRANDPARENTS

Retired seniors, age 60 and over, to work one-to-one with individ-

ual children who have special needs in Vanderburgh, Gibson and Posey Counties

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Serves 3 counties

Vanderburgh Co.  
812-425-4241  
[galeb@capeevansville.org](mailto:galeb@capeevansville.org)  
Posey Co.  
812-838-4839  
[aboberg@capeevansville.org](mailto:aboberg@capeevansville.org)  
Gibson Co.  
812-386-6576  
[rshelton@capeevansville.org](mailto:rshelton@capeevansville.org)  
website  
[www.capeevansville.org](http://www.capeevansville.org)

## Destination: Home on the Internet

*Thank you for your ongoing interest in the progress of implementing our community's 10-year plan to end and prevent homelessness!*

Send your friends and colleagues to Destination: Home's home on the Internet to sign up for e-newsletters, like this "Destination: Home Update," *Housing Matters!* activities, *PlaySpaces* progress, Volunteer Opportunities, and others related to projects and strategies of the ten-year plan.

Simply, type an e-mail address into the "Sign up for our E-mail newsletters" button at the left of each page and click "Go."



#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Destination: Home  
PO Box 74, Evansville, IN 47701-0074 P: 812.428.4975 x 28  
E: [info@destination-home.info](mailto:info@destination-home.info) W: [www.destination-home.info](http://www.destination-home.info)