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REALTOR® Foundation announces grant opportunity for local homeless service providers

Central Indiana REALTORS® extend annual support effort through 2011

Today, the REALTOR® Foundation announced its annual round of grants earmarked for central Indiana charities that supply critical housing to victims of homelessness.

The funding benefits organizations that assist a wide range of homeless individuals, such as recently emancipated foster children, men recovering from hospitalization, women and children who have been victims of domestic violence and mental health and addiction patients. The deadline for applications is Aug. 27.

“We know that when jobs and other forms of assistance decrease, the need for homeless support services increases,” explained Regina Jones, 2010 president of the REALTOR® Foundation. “So this year, because of the continuing changes in the economy, we feel it’s more important than ever to reach out to the organizations helping people on the front lines of this crisis.”

Established in 1984, the REALTOR® Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of REALTORS® (MIBOR). Through its concentration on transitional and permanent supportive housing — which the Foundation defines as the step between emergency shelter and homeownership — the organization partners with existing organizations which have housing as part of their mission to address homelessness throughout central Indiana. To this end, the REALTOR® Foundation has provided an impressive \$500,000 to regional nonprofits in the past seven years.

The funds allocated for 2010-2011 grants were raised through individual and corporate donations from the real estate community.

Organizations interested in learning more about the Foundation’s competitive grant process can visit www.realtorfoundation.org for more information, or to download an application.

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