

June 2012 IHCD Info



The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD), chaired by Lt. Governor Becky Skillman, creates housing opportunity, generates and preserves assets, and revitalizes neighborhoods by investing financial and technical resources in the development efforts of qualified partners throughout Indiana. Growing Indiana's economy starts at home.



Sherry Seiwert honored for her Supportive Housing Advocacy

On Tuesday, June 19th IHCD Executive Director Sherry Seiwert was honored at the First Annual Indiana Supportive Housing

Celebration held at the [Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center](#). The evening featured keynote speaker Pete Earley (pictured with Seiwert). A former Washington Post reporter and author of [The Hot House](#) and [Crazy: A Father's Search Through America's Mental Health Madness](#), Earley spoke to the audience of 150 about his personal experiences with his son navigating through the support systems for people with mental illness. Sherry was awarded the Champion Award for her dedication and continued application of Indiana's resources for the planning, designing, and building of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH). A true advocate of PSH, Seiwert has worked with IHCD staff and partners around the state to ensure Indiana's most vulnerable citizens have quality housing and services afforded to them. With the combined efforts, Indiana is a national leader in permanent supportive housing.

Important Info

RED Notices

RED 12-15: [Rebuilding Through Homeownership Roundtable Discussion](#)

RED 12-16: [QAP Round Table](#)

RED 12-17: [2012 Utility Allowances](#)

RED 12-18: [Notice of Public Hearing: Consolidate Plan](#)

RED 12-19: [Updated Environmental Review Record Documents](#)

RED 12-20: [Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs](#)

[Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity](#)

RED 12-21: [2012 Annual Private Activity Bond Round Application Deadline](#)

RED 12-22: [Revised Strategic Investment Process Application](#)

[Policy and Forms](#)

RED 12-23: [Guidance on FFATA Requirements](#)

RED 12-24: [Availability of Community Development Block Grant- D1 \(CDBG-D1\)](#)

RED 12-25: [Availability of Tax Credit Assistance Program \(TCAP\)](#)

Clarification on IDA Tax Credits vs. IDA Program

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority has announced the availability of \$100,000 in Individual Development Account (IDA) tax credits for purchase by individuals or companies. By investing in the IDA tax credit program, contributors receive 50 cents back on each dollar contributed in the form of a credit which is then subtracted from their state tax or bank fee liability and then they are able to deduct the full amount of the contribution from their federal tax return.

Overall, by individuals and companies purchasing IDA tax credits, they have the opportunity to directly invest in their communities because their investment in the tax credits allows local program providers to utilize the funds to create new or grow existing Individual Development Account Programs which are available for Indiana residents who are below 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines in building assets and achieving a targeted amount of savings to use for the purpose of purchasing or rehabilitating a home, furthering educational opportunities, or starting or expanding a small business.

Anyone wishing to invest in the IDA Tax Credits or apply for an Individual Development Account should contact Jackie Troy at JTroy@ihcda.in.gov or 317-232-3560

Around the Board in 60 Seconds

IHCDA's Energy Department uses federal Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) funds to provide critical energy efficiency improvements for low-income households. WAP funds can be used for a wide array of improvements, such as new insulation or repair/replacement of combustion appliances (such as furnaces and hot water heaters). In the course of a program year, many homes are denied weatherization services due to a preexisting condition in the home that deems it unsafe to weatherize. Examples of such circumstances range from roof issues, moisture breaches, and electrical systems that are not

RED 12-26: [RFP-Multifamily and Single Family Property Inspection Services](#)

RED 12-27: [Survey-Partner Training Needs](#)

RED 12-28: [Survey-CHDO Training Needs](#)

RED 12-29: [Rebuilding Through Homeownership Roundtable Discussion June 21, 2012](#)

RED 12-30: [Cancellation Policy for Tax Credit Compliance Training Sessions](#)

RED 12-31: [Housing Needs Index](#)

RED 12-32: [Change to Davis Bacon policy](#)

RED 12-33: [QAP Forum Sponsorship Opportunity](#)

RED 12-34: [2013 QAP Round Boost Policy Feedback Request](#)

RED 12-35: [Reminder on Section 3 Reporting Requirements](#)

Important Dates

- **August 17th-**
Bond
Application
Deadline
- **September 5th-**
QAP Forum
- **September 18th & 19th-**
Annual Housing
and Community
Economic
Development
Conference

Upcoming Trainings Funds Management Trainings:

- **July 16th-**
[1:00pm-2:00pm HOME Training](#)

compliant with current building codes, and structural damage.

The Community Development Block Grant Supplemental Disaster Recovery (CDBG-D) Program provides subsidies in the form of loans and recoverable grants for owner-occupied rehabilitation in the Counties declared disaster areas as a result of the 2008 floods. Through the Disaster Recovery Action Plan, approximately \$23 million is available to fund such activities. IHCD has designed the Weatherization/Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Deferral Program to help those homeowners leverage additional funds in order to make necessary repairs and receive the energy efficiency benefits. The program guidelines dictate that priority must be given to:

- Elderly – IHCD's definition of elderly is 62 years of age or older.
- Persons with Disabilities - defined as (1) a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of such person's major life activities, (2) a record of having such an impairment, or (3) being regarded as having such an impairment, but such term does not include current, illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance (as defined in section 802 of Title 21).
- Individuals/families residing in homes that have been documented by local or state official as being a prominent threat to health/safety.
- Families with children under eighteen years old as of the date of income verification.

At the meeting held on Thursday, June 28th the IHCD Board of Directors voted to allocate \$3,357,678 in CDBG-D funds to twenty organizations to assist homeowners throughout Indiana utilize the Weatherization/Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Deferral Program.

Funding Opportunity

The U.S. Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Strong Cities, Strong

- [July 17th- 1:00-2:00pm CDBG-D Training](#)
- [July 19th- 11:00am-12:00pm CDBG Training](#)

RHTC Compliance Trainings:

- [July 24th- Qualifying Households](#)
- [July 25th- Preparing for an IHCD Physical Inspection](#)

Single Family Trainings:

- [August 16th- 9:30am-11:30am](#)
- [December 13th- 9:30am-11:30am](#)

Save the Date



Mark your calendars to join us as we explore how housing and community economic development specialists are incorporating innovation to stretch their resources and increase productivity.

This year's conference

Communities (SC2) initiative seeks to strengthen neighborhoods, towns, cities, and regions around the country by enhancing the capacity of local governments to develop and execute their economic vision and strategies, providing necessary technical assistance and access to federal agency expertise, and creating new public and private sector partnerships.

The recently released SC2 Economic Planning Challenge is a key component of the initiative that includes a series of competitions in which six separate cities will work closely with the EDA to offer cash rewards for new solutions to Strategic Economic Transition planning in each community. Winning plans will be selected by local leaders.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the SC2 Planning Challenge.

will again be held at the Indiana Convention Center in downtown Indianapolis.

For more information on IHEDA please visit www.iheda.in.gov.

For updates from Lt. Governor Skillman and the agencies she oversees, sign up at www.lg.in.gov