

IHCDA Info- October 2013

A monthly e-newsletter from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority to help our partners stay informed of program updates, announcements, trainings & events.

October 6th kicked off National Fire Protection Association's Fire Safety Week: Prevent Kitchen Fires



Unattended cooking is the leading cause of Residential Home Fires in the U.S.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reports:

- In 2011, U.S. fire departments responded to 484,500 home fires. These fires killed 2,640 civilians. Eighty-three percent of all fire deaths resulted from home fires.
- The kitchen is the leading area of origin for home fires. However, bedrooms and living/family rooms are the leading areas of origin for home fire deaths.
- Someone was injured in a home fire every 40 minutes and roughly eight people died in home fires every day during 2008.
- A fire department

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA), chaired by Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann, 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.

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Thank you for making the 2013 Conference on Housing and Community Economic Development a great success!

IHCDA would like to thank all of the participants, sponsors and speakers who attended this year's conference: Impacting Solutions from the Ground Up; Leading Change!

We hope there were valuable take-a-ways as well as important networking opportunities and welcome all stakeholders to complete this [survey](#) as a way to provide feedback and suggestions for future events.

2013 Excellence in Affordable Housing Awards Announced

At the Annual Statewide Conference on Housing and Community Economic Development, Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann recognized recipients of the 2013 Excellence in Affordable Housing

Like the Homeownership Opportunities page on Facebook!



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How Are We Doing?



Don't miss your opportunity to take the 2013 Customer Service Survey

IHCDA would like to thank everyone who completed the 2012 Customer Service Survey. The information you shared with us has been invaluable as we continue to make preparations for the future of IHCDA in the year(s) ahead.

As part of our ongoing mission to provide the best customer service possible, IHCDA would like to once again ask your opinion of our services.

Tell us how we're doing as we continue to strive for stellar customer service and look forward to learning from you whether and how we've improved over the last year.

We would appreciate if you could complete the

responded to a home fire every 23 seconds.

- Almost two-thirds of reported home fire deaths in 2010-2011 resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.
- Cooking continues to be the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries.

For more details on Fire Safety, please see [RED Notice13-23](#).



Important Dates:

- October is National Energy Awareness Month
- November 4th- Energy Assistance Program Winter Heating begins
- November 7th- 2014 IPSHI Applications due
- November 21st- IHCD Board of Directors Meeting (3rd Thursday)

Upcoming Trainings:

Real Estate Tax Compliance Training Workshops in Fort Wayne:

- November 4th- [Qualifying Households](#)
- November 5th- [Advanced Tax](#)

awards which honor Hoosiers for their impact on communities throughout the state.

This year's award winners are:

1. Lt. Governor's Award for Excellence in Affordable Housing and Community Development- Rural

- Recipient: Phoenix on the Square, Paoli

2. Lt. Governor's Award for Excellence in Affordable Housing and Community Development- Urban

- Recipient: YOUnity Village, Terre Haute

3. Key Award for Services Program of the Year

- Recipient: Public Allies Indianapolis (Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center)

4. Robert O. Zdenek Staff Member of the Year Award

- Recipient: David Miller, Chief Executive Officer, Hoosier Uplands Economic Development Corporation

5. Michael Carroll Community Economic Development Leadership Award

- Recipient: Jack Brummett, Senior Vice President, Great Lakes Capital Fund

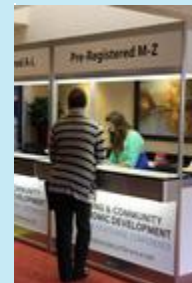
The winners were selected by a panel of judges with expertise in the housing and community economic development fields. Nominees were selected by a separate committee and were judged based upon their impact, initiative, collaboration and financial soundness and creativity in furthering community economic development throughout Indiana.

IHCDA's Communities for a Lifetime Initiative Receives Further Recognition at the National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA) Annual Conference

survey by November 12th. Please click [here](#) to give your feedback.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact [Joe Palus](#), IHCD Research and Innovation Director.

Snapshots from the 2013 Statewide Conference on Housing and Community Economic Development



Credit Compliance

2013 IHCD Lender
Trainings (Webinars):

- December 10th-
[10:00am-11:30am](#)

Upcoming Events:

- November 1st-
IHCD staff build
day with Habitat
for Humanity of
Greater
Indianapolis
- November 8th-
Kingston
Square Grand
Opening (Kokomo)
- November 11th-
NWI Veterans PSH
Groundbreaking
(Gary)
- November 13th-
Indiana's Energy
Day &
Weatherization
Demonstration
(Indianapolis)
- November 13th-
Rom Weber Flats
II Groundbreaking
(Batesville)
- November 19th-
Lincoln
Apartments
Dedication
(Indianapolis)
- November 20th-
Irvington Lofts
Grand Opening
(Indianapolis)

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to be featured in the IHCD
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[Consumer](#) and [Partner](#)
websites, email [Emily
Duncan](#), IHCD Public
Information Officer.

Just last month, IHCD was pleased to announce the Communities for a Lifetime (CfL) initiative was awarded the 2013 Presidential Award for Innovation from the [Council of State Community Development Agencies](#) (COSDA) during the organization's annual conference held in Salt Lake City.

The winning streak has continued as IHCD was one of twenty-two state Housing Finance Agency (HFA) programs who received Annual Awards for Program Excellence during the [National Council of State Housing Agencies](#) (NCSHA) 2013 Annual Conference & Showplace in New Orleans.

Now in its 29th year, the NCSHA Annual Awards for Program Excellence was created to identify and elevate industry best practices as well as encourage continued HFA innovation.

There are seven categories for consideration:

- Communications
- Homeownership
- Legislative Advocacy
- Management Innovation
- Rental Housing
- Special Needs Housing
- Special Achievement

The 147 entries from across the country were judged on originality, innovation, a proven track record in the marketplace, cost/benefit ratio, and measurable benefits provided to targeted customers.

IHCD was recognized in the Homeownership: Home Improvement & Rehabilitation category for the Communities for a Lifetime initiative and Aging in Place Owner Occupied Repair program.

During the initial year of Communities for a Lifetime, 60 homeowners in the three designated communities of Linton, Huntington, and Valparaiso will receive owner occupied repairs to remain living in their homes and since IHCD's adoption of the Aging in Place priority in 2010, over 850 Hoosiers fifty-five and older or persons



Former Colts player Gary Brackett was the guest speaker on Day 1 representing his Impact Foundation.

RED Notices:

RED 13-16: [FINAL REVISION: 2013 Federal Program Rent and Income Limits](#)

RED 13-17: [2013 HOME Application Round](#)

RED 13-18: [Public Comment Period for Revised Claims Process](#)

RED 13-19: [2012 Common Cited Physical Inspection Non-Compliance Issues](#)

RED 13-20: [FINAL 2014-2015 QAP](#)

RED 13-21: [Survey for HOME Training Needs](#)

RED 13-22: [Revisions to 2014-2015 Schedule E](#)

RED 13-23: [Fire Safety Week 2013](#)

RED 13-24: [Request for Public Comment on Improving Owner Certification Exhibit D](#)

RED 13-25: [HUD Handbook Change 4-](#)

with disabilities have been assisted with home repairs throughout 65 communities.

For further information on Communities for a Lifetime, please contact [Megan Coler](#), IHCDA Real Estate Production Analyst.

Now Accepting Applications for the 2014 Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Institute

The 2014 Supportive Housing Institute will exclusively address ending homelessness for Veterans, families, and those experiencing chronic homelessness.

To apply for the institute, please click [here](#).

All applications must be submitted to stephanie.sideman@csh.org by Friday, November 7th at 5:00pm Central Time.

[Effects on Real Estate Department Programs](#)

RED 13-26: [2013 Interactive Compliance](#)

For the complete list of RED notices, please click [here](#).

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