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A newsletter from the GKCCEH,
containing information from
members,
community partners and anyone else
that has great, fun, informative "bits
& pieces" to share with you.

Enjoy!

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1. Who is Hillcrest?

On February 28th, Hillcrest Transitional Housing will present a unique opportunity for our fellow Kansas City area nonprofits. Executive Director Tom Lally will host this professional event designed to facilitate conversations

among peers. Participants will also learn about Hillcrest's transitional housing and rapid re-housing programs for youth and adults. Join us!

Who Is Hillcrest?

Wednesday, February 28th

8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Eleos Coffee House

3401 Independence Avenue

Kansas City, MO 64124

Registration is free but limited, so [RSVP on Eventbrite](#) today!

Who is Hillcrest?



Join Hillcrest Transitional Housing Executive Director Tom Lally for a unique opportunity to learn about our transitional housing and rapid re-housing programs. Educate yourself to better serve your clients! Coffee is on us. RSVP to Lhays@hillcrestkc.org by Feb. 26th.

8:00 Networking
8:30 Hillcrest presentation
9:00 Best practices roundtable

Wednesday, February 28th
8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Eleos Coffee, 3401 Independence Ave
Kansas City, MO 64124

2. Youth 4 Change KC

Did you know that more than 8,500 children and youth across the KC metro experienced some form of homelessness last year? Those who are older and unaccompanied often end up crashing on a friend's or a stranger's sofa—even though it may put them in harm's way.

[Walnut River Brewing Company, LLC](#) and Youth 4 Change KC are teaming up to make a difference.

Youth 4 Change KC is a group of young people who have experienced homelessness and now work with local service providers and public agencies to identify and advocate for solutions. They're dedicated to educating the community about youth homelessness and helping their peers find safe, stable places to live ... and they need your help!

Come raise a few pints from Walnut River Brewing Company and help us raise some support for Youth 4 Change KC's efforts. We'll have great raffle prizes, an interactive game, and plenty of great beer!

Find out more by following the links below!

[Facebook Event Page](#)

[Youth 4 Change KC Fundraiser Video](#)

3. MHAH Workshop: Self Care: Stress-Busting Strategies to Raise Resilience & Banish Burnout, February 16th



Overview:

Eliminate stress AND still show up to work? Yes! Learn how to identify and stop the downward spiral stress that can erode resilience and lead to burnout. Bring balance back into your life with profound self care strategies. You'll learn ---and practice--- specific in depth profound self care exercises. Praised for her easily understood and accessible style, Dr. Clark will provide you with practical, actionable knowledge and tools that you can use in your life and practice right away.

Who Should Attend:

This workshop is designed for case managers, social workers, psychologists, therapists, professional counselors, masters prepared psychologists, marriage and family therapists, addiction counselors, nurses and health care workers. Community is welcome to attend.

Registration: Workshop is \$10.00.

Pre-register only. Please obtain registration form by clicking onto [registration form](#) or visit "Events" at www.mhah.org or contact Stacy Davis. Please send registration form with payment (either check or visa) to Mental Health America of the Heartland, [739 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101](#) or fax at [913-281-3977](tel:913-281-3977) or [email:sdavis@mhah.org](mailto:sdavis@mhah.org). If you have any questions and/or need translation or other accommodation, contact Stacy Davis at sdavis@mhah.org or [913-281-2221, ext. 112](tel:913-281-2221).

Location:

Keeler Women's Center, [2220 Central Ave., Kansas City, KS 66102](#).

Registration deadline is February 11, 2018.

4. February GKCCEH Membership Meeting

Interested in learning more about the work we do at GKCCEH? Curious about how to join over fifty other agencies across the bi-state area working together to end

homelessness? Join us at our monthly membership meeting!

This month, the meeting is on:

February 21, 2018

9:15 am

Kansas City Public Library - Central Branch (Downtown)

14 W 10th St

Kansas City, MO 64105

5th Floor Conference Room

[Our Website](#)

5. Application Deadline for HUD Healthy Homes Awards



Attached is the announcement for the 2018 Secretary's Award for Healthy Homes. The Award provides a national platform to showcase results from a range of housing and indoor environmental health programs. It highlights some of the nation's most significant work on the relationship between living environments and resident health, and lays the foundation for future healthy homes work. Please take a look and distribute widely to your networks.

The application window is now open and will remain open until February 28. Applicants will be notified of their status beginning May 1, and awards will be announced at the NEHA AEC and HUD Healthy Homes Conference, June 27 in Anaheim, California.

[Healthy Homes Award Pamphlet](#)

6. Caseworthy Training Opportunities for February/March

We just wanted to inform everyone about a few upcoming training sessions in February and March. Please pass this along to everyone who will be using CaseWorthy. Please note that if you cannot attend one of the training sessions in February, there will be the same CaseWorthy Refresher Training and Privacy/Security training sessions every month:

All training is posted in our website – www.KCmetroHMIS.org. If there are individual agencies who need training, let us know. We are happy to come out and provide in-person training or arrange for training here in our computer lab at MARC (pending availability).

CaseWorthy Training Refresher - Tuesday, February 13th, 12pm - 2pm

Content will include CaseWorthy basics, Run APR/DataQuality Reports, data clean-up, etc. If you are interested, please sign up [here](#).

CaseWorthy Training Refresher - Tuesday, February 27th, 12pm - 2pm

Content TBD - If there are suggestions, please let us know when you sign up. If you are interested, please sign up [here](#).

CaseWorthy Training Refresher - Tuesday, March 6th, 12pm - 2pm

Content will include CaseWorthy basics, Run APR/DataQuality Reports, data clean-up, etc. If you are interested, please sign up [here](#).

Privacy and Security Training - Friday, March 9th, 12pm - 1pm

Everyone who uses CaseWorthy must attend this training webinar. If you have already completed this training, there is no need to attend it again.

If you are interested, please sign up [here](#).

CaseWorthy Training Refresher - Tuesday, March 20th, 12pm - 2pm

Content TBD - If there are suggestions, please let us know when you sign up. If you are interested, please sign up [here](#).

Other Announcements:

-We will begin Data Quality monitoring by agency very soon. Data Quality overview and training sessions will be held via webinar and in person. More info soon!

-MHDC, KCMO, and Wyandotte County ESG reports are due by the end of January. If you have questions about how to run these reports or clean up your data, reach out to [Helen Krosky](#) as soon as possible.

7. 2018 Missouri Symposium on Homelessness



Please save the date for the **2018 Missouri Symposium on Homelessness!**

The Symposium is free to all participants and vendors and will take place at Camden on the Lake Resort in Lake Ozark, Missouri on April 3-4, 2018.

[Vendor Registration](#)

[Call for Presentations](#)

Attached you will find a Save-The-Date announcement, Vendor Registration Form, and Call for Presentations. We hope you will consider attending, being a vendor, or speaking at this conference. It is a great opportunity to network with

8. The Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program has dropped!

As many of you have probably heard, HUD's Youth Homeless Demonstration Program application dropped last week. That being said, staff members of GKCCCEH and loyal Coalition partners have begun to prepare a strategy to best represent ourselves on the application. The time is now to end youth homelessness!

If you are interested in helping us work through the application, please email Sean Anderson, Engagement Coordinator, at sanderson@gkcceh.org. Please let us know if we can count on your help as soon as possible!

Brunch and Brainstorm!

The Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness is pleased to announce that CoC 604M will be applying again this year for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program funding opportunity created by HUD. If funded, the Kansas City area would receive additional funds targeted specifically to youth-focused, youth-driven homeless programs and services.

As it seeks to expand its knowledge base in the area of youth homelessness, HUD is seeking CoC lead agencies to demonstrate in this application new and inventive ways to approach ending youth homelessness in their communities through a systems-oriented approach focused on maximizing resources and assets already existing in our area, and how our community could make incredible things happen if afforded the additional resources offered through this amazing opportunity.

Please share with us your knowledge and practice wisdom in a brainstorming session immediately after our CoC meeting February 21, 2018.

We look forward to seeing you!

Date: February 21, 2018

Time: 10:45 AM

Location: Central Library- 14 W. 10th Street, KCMO 64105 -- Meeting Room TBD

Parking: Free w/ Validation (parking stamp from CoC meeting will still work.)

RSVP: Please fill out the form [here](#) to indicate you will be attending and which topic area you prefer to work on in a group.

9. GKCCEH Committee Meetings for February

Committee Dates/Times/Locations

Some of you have asked what are the committees and when they meet...here is the current committee line up. We would love more involvement in committees as we carry out the work of ending homelessness across the Greater Kansas City Region!!

Grants Committee

Open to any who are interested--Please, if you have questions or topics for discussion, email them ahead of the scheduled meeting time to Heather Hoffman, Executive Director, at hhoffman@gkcceh.org. 9:00 am - 11:00 am
Location: Community Services League, 404 N Noland Road, Independence, MO

HMIS Committee

(3rd Wednesday of the month, 8:15am)
Next Meeting: February 21, 2018
Location: MARC, 600 Broadway, KCMO

Mainstream Benefits Committee

(3rd Tuesday of the month, 10am)
Next meeting: February 20, 2018
Location: City Union Mission, 1100 E. 11th St., KCMO

Point In Time Committee

(2nd Thursday of the month, 8:30am)
Next meetings: February 8, 2018
Location: reStart's Multi Purpose Room

Permanent Housing Committee

(2nd Friday of the month, 9am)
Next meeting: February 9, 2018
Location: MARC, Heartland Room, 600 Broadway, KCMO

Workforce Committee

(4th Thursday of the month, 3:30pm)
Next meeting: February 22, 2018
Location: 727 Minnesota Avenue, KCK

Special Populations Committee

(Last Tuesday of the month, 1pm)
On Hiatus, Stay Tuned
Location: KCK Public Schools Central Office, 2010 N 59th ST, KCKS



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www.EndKCHomelessness.org

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