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ANNOUNCING THE 2010 INDY HOMELESS CONNECT

Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard and his wife Winnie, and Indiana Pacers head coach Jim O'Brien and his wife Sharon will serve as honorary co-chairs for the fifth annual event.

Indianapolis – The City of Indianapolis and the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention (CHIP) announced today that the 2010 Indy Homeless Connect will be held on Tuesday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Indiana Convention Center.

What:	Fifth Annual Indy Homeless Connect
When:	Tuesday, March 23, 2010 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where:	Indiana Convention Center, Hall D 100 South Capitol Avenue Indianapolis, Indiana

Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard and his wife Winnie, and Indiana Pacers head coach Jim O'Brien and his wife Sharon will serve as the honorary co-chairs for the second year.

“Indianapolis is full of compassionate people who come together to pick up their neighbors and help those who need it most,” said Mayor Ballard. “Last year I saw first hand this event change lives and I am excited to be able to be a part of it again.”

This one-day event offers dozens of core services to homeless clients such as acute medical care, food, mental health counseling, legal advice, employment guidance, and housing assistance – all under one roof. Indy Homeless Connect also provides non-essential “extra care” services, like free phone calls, massages, books, and haircuts.

Last year, nearly 600 volunteers and 50 organizations served the needs of more than 960 homeless neighbors. Residents, businesses, service providers or charitable organizations interested in volunteering or making donations to Indy Homeless Connect should visit www.chipindy.org or call (317) 472-7640.

Indy Homeless Connect is made possible by the generosity of several sponsors. These sponsors include Castleton United Methodist Church, Duke Energy Foundation, Indiana Convention Center & Lucas Oil Stadium, and WellPoint, Inc.

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