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ANNOUNCING UPCOMING INDY RESOURCE CONNECT
Event to offer assistance to families and individuals in financial crisis

INDIANAPOLIS – The Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention (CHIP) announced today that the second Indy Resource Connect (IRC) will be held on Thursday, June 3, from 1 – 6 p.m. at Lafayette Square Mall.

IRC will provide families and individuals who are in financial crisis with the resources they need to *avoid* becoming homeless.

WHAT: Indy Resource Connect

WHEN: Thursday, June 3, 2010
1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Lafayette Square Mall (old Steve and Barry's)
3919 Lafayette Rd.

Marion County Health Department Director, Dr. Virginia Caine will serve as honorary chair. Caine, who has worked in the health sector for many years, knows the direct link to health problems and poverty.

“I am honored to chair of the Indy Resource Connect events; it could not have come at a better time. There are too many people living on the edge of homelessness that simply need to be connected to our community resources,” said Caine.

This one-day event will offer core services to families and individuals in a financial crisis such as credit and foreclosure counseling, financial education, mental health counseling, legal advice, employment resources, and housing assistance – all under one roof. Many of the Township Trustee Offices and Community Centers will be present. This event is open to all Marion County residents.

“This is a community-wide effort to present opportunities for families to ask for help in order to prevent suffering and homelessness,” said Timothy Joyce, CHIP’s executive director.

The first IRC took place this past November and served more than 100 families and individuals. Many individuals received help through the Homeless Prevention and Rapid re-Housing Program. Others met with employment counselors and enrolled in Indiana Career Connect and WorkOne services.

Free childcare will be provided by KinderCare.

Residents, businesses, service providers or charitable organizations interested in volunteering or making donations to Indy Resource Connect should visit www.chipindy.org or call (317) 472-7640.

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