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Housing Collab. to hold Legislative Panel on Affordable Housing

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., (9/25/2024) – Eight local representatives and candidates will discuss their plans to address affordable housing preservation in Springfield at the Community Partnership of the Ozarks’ (CPO) Housing Collaborative’s Legislative Panel Discussion from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at CPO’s O’Reilly Center for Hope located at 1518 E Dale St.

The goal of this panel is to hear from each panelist their plans to address specific areas of focus of affordable housing at the State and local level. These specific areas include affordable owner-occupied preservation, affordable tenant-occupied preservation, and homelessness prevention and transition.

“We know how important decent, safe, affordable, and accessible housing is for Springfield, and we have come a long way. But there are still a number of significant challenges that exist within this market. That’s why it’s important to hear from our local representatives and candidates about these issues,” said Chair of CPO’s Housing Collaborative, Brandon Jenson.

Representatives and candidates from/for the Missouri House of Representatives who will be in attendance are as follows:

- District 130 Representative Bishop Davidson
- District 136 Representative Stephanie Hein
- District 131 Representative Bill Owen
- District 133 Representative Melanie Stinnett
- District 133 Candidate Derrick Nowlin
- District 132 Candidate Jeremy Dean
- District 130 Candidate Leslie Jones
- District 131 Candidate Ashley Cossins

For questions or more information on this Legislative Panel, please contact CPO VP of Affordable Housing and Homeless Prevention, Michelle Garand at 417-631-4483.

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