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Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund Announces Executive Director Rachel M. Hurst

The Louisville Metro Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Inc., is pleased to announce Rachel M. Hurst as their Executive Director. The LAHTF is a nonprofit organization dedicated to receiving and disbursing monies to organizations dedicated to addressing Louisville's affordable housing needs of low-income individuals and families. The LAHTF serves as a catalyst for low-income housing by assessing the community housing situation and needs, convening partners, and securing, investing, and leveraging funding.

The LAHTF was established with bipartisan sponsorship by Louisville Metro County Ordinance 40.41-45 in 2008 after a local advocacy effort, incorporated as an independent nonprofit organization to conduct the work in 2010, and secured \$100,000 in Mayor Fischer's first Metro budget to begin the work.

Ms. Hurst has 15 years' experience in the nonprofit sector. She previously chaired the mayoral task force on the AHTF and served as political strategist and Co-Campaign Manager for both the Kentucky and Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund campaigns. Her background includes work on poverty, civil rights, and affordable housing. She is also President of Hurst Consulting.

Immediate goals of the LAHTF include releasing in Fall 2012 an inaugural community assessment regarding affordable housing, leveraging and investing public and private funds for affordable housing, and securing a source of dedicated public revenue for the LAHTF.

The Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board is a catalyst for low- and moderate-income housing action. The Board:

- secures, invests and leverages funding,*
- assesses the community housing situation and needs,*
- convenes current and potential partners, and*
- communicates needs, actions and results to the public,*

while serving as a voice for safe, affordable, and sustainable housing.

The Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board performs its mission to order to make progress toward their vision: *In Louisville we all live in safe and sustainable housing we can afford, in welcoming and diverse neighborhoods.*

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