



# METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION

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## Greetings!

### **Richard Rothstein, author of *Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, and former National Education Columnist for the *New York Times***

**Keynote speaker in Louisville Thursday, May 31**

Louisville, KY - The Metropolitan Housing Coalition (MHC) will host their 2018 Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 31 from 5:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. at The Olmsted, 3701 Frankfort Ave., in Louisville, KY. The event is the Louisville nonprofit organization's primary annual gathering for conducting coalition business and raising funds to support the organization.

The keynote speaker for this year's event will be Richard Rothstein, the author of *Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, "... the most forceful argument ever published on how federal, state and local governments gave rise to and reinforced neighborhood segregation", William Julius Wilson. Mr. Rothstein was the former National Education Columnist for the *New York Times*, so we asked him to speak on housing policy and education.

As the unified Jefferson County Public School system is involved in a struggle between state and local control, one issue that arises is student assignment. MHC Executive Director, Cathy Hinko asserts, "MHC reports and studies show us that housing is entwined with educational outcomes for our children. We have seen schools in other jurisdictions become re-segregated after the U. S. Supreme Court *McFarland* decision because they did not continue legal student assignment plans despite their segregationist housing history. Louisville had an avowed segregationist, Harlan Bartholomew, involved with our 20th century city planning. The Redlining Project has shown us the legacy of housing segregation left by forgotten policies."

MHC will also be honoring retiring Kentucky Representative Jim Wayne, who, during his tenure, helped establish the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which has created more than 10,000 housing units for low-income families

### **MHC needs YOU!**

Your membership advances safe, fair, and affordable housing for our community!

***Join MHC or Renew Your Membership Today!***

Each new member and every donation makes possible MHC's critical work for our community.

Become a recurring monthly donor for as little as \$1 per month to provide ongoing support of MHC's work or consider gift to MHC in the name of a loved one.

Contact Tony Curtis at  
[tony@metropolitanhousing.org](mailto:tony@metropolitanhousing.org)

or

**502 584-6858** regarding donations & gifts.

To make an online donation, visit us on the web at  
[www.metropolitanhousing.org](http://www.metropolitanhousing.org)

or

**Mail your donation to:  
Metropolitan Housing  
Coalition**

**P.O. Box 4533  
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Metropolitan Housing Coalition is a

since 1994 and now has a steady funding source as a result of advocacy groups and Rep. Wayne's persistent support. To date the fund has invested more than \$90,000,000 in housing for the poor of Kentucky.

"Representative Wayne has been a voice for social justice in many areas; his work in housing has made him a rock star to MHC members", said Hinko.

The Metropolitan Housing Coalition, a nonprofit coalition made up of over 300 member organizations and individuals, has advocated for fair, safe, and affordable housing for all people in the Louisville MSA, often working closely with many grassroots organizations and direct service providers, for more than two decades.

Tickets to the event are \$80 per person and may be purchased online through the donation portal at MHC's Web site ([www.metropolitanhousing.org](http://www.metropolitanhousing.org)) or at the door the day of the event. In addition to Mr. Rothstein's presentation and honoring retiring Kentucky Representative Jim Wayne, there will be a sit-down dinner, cash bar, and raffle.

MHC wishes to thank our sponsors for the 2018 Annual Meeting, especially Wells Fargo as a Fair Housing Champion Sponsor and PNC as a Foundation Sponsor.

We also wish to thank the following sponsors: Keystone Sponsors include LDG Development and the Tyler Park Neighborhood Association. Groundbreaking Sponsors include BB&T, BIA of Greater Louisville, Develop Louisville Office of Housing & Community Development, Habitat for Humanity, Housing Partnership, Inc., Louisville Metro Housing Authority (LMHA), Louisville Urban League/Rebound, Inc. Metro United Way, River City Housing, and Stites & Harbison PLLC. Advocates include AARP, Craig Henry PLC, findCRA, Jewish Family & Career Services, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC), Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund (LAHTF), Spalding University School of Social Work, The Weber Group, and Wellspring.

### **2018 Annual Meeting**

**Thursday, May 31**

**5:15 pm - 7:15 pm**

**The Olmsted**

**3701 Frankfort Ave**

**Louisville, KY 40206**

**Keynote Speaker: Richard Rothstein, author of  
*The Color of Law***

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## **Community Calendar**

**Fair Housing Coalition  
meets 2pm  
each 2nd TUE at New  
Directions,  
1000 E. Liberty**

**Louisville Vacant Property  
Campaign  
meets 5:30pm  
each 3rd Tuesday at the  
Western Library  
604 South Tenth Street  
Louisville, KY 40203**

### **Spalding University School of Social Work Information Sessions**

*Spalding University is holding  
information sessions for their BSW and  
MSW programs..*

**Tuesday, May 29  
All sessions are 5:00-6:00 pm  
Republic Academic Center  
4th Floor  
981 S. 3rd St.**

### **Inclusive Equity (ie) Awards Gala**

Louisville Central Community  
Center, Inc. (LCCC)

**Tuesday, June 19 @ 6:30PM  
LCCC Headquarters  
1300 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd.  
Louisville, KY 40213**

**Contact Debbie Grant  
502-583- 8821  
[DGrant@lcccnews.org](mailto:DGrant@lcccnews.org)**

**KY Habitat for Humanity  
EVENT**



**Guest of Honor: Jim Wayne,  
Kentucky Representative**

**Individual Tickets: \$80**

**For more information, contact:  
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or call 502.584.6858**

*Download and share our Annual Meeting flier below*



*Fair & Affordable Housing:  
Structures for Success*

**Metropolitan Housing Coalition  
2018 Annual Meeting Dinner**

Thursday, May 31st, 2018 5:15 pm - 7:15 pm  
The Olmsted - 3701 Frankfort Avenue

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**Guest of Honor:** Jim Wayne, Kentucky Representative

Kentucky Representative Jim Wayne is retiring after representing District 35 since 1990. Jim is a tireless advocate for affordable housing; he shepherded through the enabling and the permanent funding legislation for the state Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Individual tickets: \$80 per person  
Dinner will be served & a Cash Bar will be available  
Variety of sponsorship opportunities are available.  
*Contact MHC regarding scholarship tickets.*

Tickets may be purchased online on the Donation page of our Website or by mailing a check to MHC at PO Box 4533 Louisville, KY 40204. Please include names of all attendees & number of vegan meals needed.

For tickets purchased online:  
1) Visit: <https://app.etapestry.com/hosted/MetropolitanHousingCoalitionOnlineDonation.html>  
2) Enter the total amount for all tickets you would like to buy.  
3) Include the following information in the "Comments" box: 2018 Annual Meeting Tickets, names of all attendees (if known), and how many vegetarian/vegan meals required. If you cannot attend, but wish to donate ticket(s) as sponsorships for low-income attendees, please type "Annual Meeting Ticket Donation" in the "Comments" box.

For more information regarding sponsorships or any other questions,  
Please contact Cathy Hinko, at [cathy@metropolitanhousing.org](mailto:cathy@metropolitanhousing.org) or at (502) 584-6858.

**"You Don't Have to Live Here": Why Housing Messages are Backfiring And 10 Things We Can Do About It**

**Tiffany A. Manuel, PhD  
Vice President  
Knowledge, Impact, & Strategy  
Enterprise Community Partners, Inc.**

August 14  
8:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m.  
Location- KACo ( KY Association of Counties)  
400 Englewood Dr.  
Frankfort KY 40601

\$10 PP which includes materials and a light breakfast

Please RSVP to Mary Shearer, KY HFH  
502-608-7041  
[mary@kyhfh.org](mailto:mary@kyhfh.org)

**OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**5/3 Home Owner's Loan Assistance Program (HOLAP)**

*If you or your organization are prepared to contribute to our efforts, please contact Tonya Montgomery or Christie McCravy at 502-637-5372.*

**More information available HERE**

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**CONTACT US TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

**Phone: (502) 882-8091**

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**Housing Partnership, Inc.**

**Louisville Metro Housing Authority**

**Louisville Urban League/Rebound, Inc.**

**Metro United Way**

**River City Housing**

**Stites & Harbison PLLC**

**\*\*\*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\*\*\***

**Want to volunteer for the 2018 Annual Meeting? Please email**

**[tony@metropolitanhousing.org](mailto:tony@metropolitanhousing.org)**

**Volunteers needed for check-in, table seating, raffle ticket sales,  
and other tasks the day of the event.**

**Meet Thela Elliott and Learn About the  
Louisville Urban League's Urban Senior Jobs Program**

Email: [ashir@lhomeky.org](mailto:ashir@lhomeky.org)



The [Urban Senior Jobs Program \(USJP\)](#) is authorized by the Older Americans Act through the U.S. Department of Labor. The USJP is a workforce development program that provides subsidized, service-based training for low-income, unemployed persons 55 or older. The Louisville Urban League's USJP program services Jefferson, Bullitt, Oldham, and Nelson counties.

MHC Executive Director Cathy Hinko stated, "MHC and Jewish Family and Career Services have been very lucky to have Thela Elliott working with us. Tasks we thought would take days only take her hours. In turn Thela is getting training in different office skills - from receptionist and phone system operator, to creating Excel spreadsheets. These are the skills we hope help her get a permanent job, although we would be sad to see her go."

USJP participants work an average of 20 hours a week and are paid the highest of federal, state, or local minimum wage.

USJP Services Include:

- \*Community Service Training and Placement
- \*Case Management Support
- \*Individual Employment Plan
- \*Workforce Fundamentals Workshop
- \*Job Placement and Retention
- \*Wages and Fringe Benefits
- \*Financial Literacy Training

For more information call the Center for Workforce Development at (502) 566-3371.

**LG&E's application to have customers pay \$350 million to replace current meters**

MHC intervened in a case filed by LG&E-KU to replace all their current

meters, regardless of age, with an Advanced Metering system that will transmit information electronically and frequently to a collector site. MHC is skeptical of the claims by LG&E that there would be savings over 20 years for a system that we must pay for in the first five years. LG&E will not guarantee the savings they claim will accrue, nor guarantee the costs will not exceed what they are currently proposing. The case is proceeding and MHC has just filed its testimony.

It made MHC wonder: If you had \$350-380 million dollars to spend on our utility infrastructure, what would you want? Would your first choice be the new meters? Would it be financing for alternative energy? Would it be energy efficient rehab of all housing? Would it be protecting our ever hardening grid? Would it include trees to combat the urban heat islands? We are unempowered and subject to whatever whim LG&E has about how to spend our money (not theirs). The least we can ask for is a public meeting when such a significant amount of money is going to be charged to us.

But what we have not seen from the Public Service Commission is any schedule of a public meeting for your input on this. You can write the **Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort KY 40601** to ask for a public meeting on case number 2018-00005. After all YOU will be paying for this, not LG&E. Their telephone number in Frankfort is **(502) 564-3940**.

**Have you completed the Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) for Louisville?**

Click [HERE](#) to complete the survey!

**Attend a Community Meeting on the HNA:**

Take the  
online survey  
and get more  
information at...  
[www.louisvillehna.mandl.net](http://www.louisvillehna.mandl.net)

## Housing Needs Assessment **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The Louisville Housing Needs Assessment is underway. The report will study housing supply and demand for all income levels, all housing types, and all price ranges: who needs it, who is paying more than they can afford, in which locations it is needed most, where is substandard housing found, and much more. The report will also identify which neighborhoods are at greatest risk for displacement due to new investments. Most important, the report will provide strategic actions that can be implemented to enhance housing opportunities across Jefferson County.



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For more information,  
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Development  
(502) 574-3737  
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● **May 23, 2 pm to 4 pm**

The Edison Center, 701 W. Ormsby Avenue, Louisville

● **May 23, 6 pm to 8 pm**

South Central Regional Library, 7300 Jefferson Boulevard, Louisville

● **May 24, 10 am to 12 pm**

Middletown Firehouse, 108 Urton Lane, Louisville



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**If you already HAVE a Kroger.com account:**

- 1) At the top of the main webpage, find & click on "Community" on the top right of the screen, just below the "Sign In" box.
- 2) On the the Community page, click on "Kroger Community Rewards". This will take you to the Community Rewards page.
- 3) At the bottom of the Kroger Community Rewards page, you will see a box for "ENROLL NOW". Click on the box.
- 4) On the next page, you can find MHC by typing our name, "Metropolitan Housing Coalition", in the search box.
- 5) When Metropolitan Housing Coalition appears on the list, select us by clicking the circle next to our name. Then click "Save".
- 6) Confirm that MHC is selected as your Community Rewards organization by checking your account profile.

***That's it!*** Now every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus card, you'll be earning rewards for MHC.

***If you DO NOT have a Kroger.com account,*** click the "Register" button at the top right of Kroger.com. Simply follow the instructions on the website to set up your account & then follow the above instructions.

Want to get involved but need more knowledge on the issues?

**MHC will come to you!**

We're happy to present on the issues and our work to your group, whatever the size and wherever the location.

Contact MHC at (502) 584-6858 or [tony@metropolitanhousing.org](mailto:tony@metropolitanhousing.org) to find out how you and your organization can learn more and get active.



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