



# METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION

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## Greetings!

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## YOU'RE INVITED!

Join MHC on May 30th for the 2019 Annual Meeting  
Dinner, "Prosperity and Housing Justice For All!"

### 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)

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Mail your donation to:  
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Coalition

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Metropolitan Housing Coalition is a



**Keynote Speaker:**

Andrea Levere, President of Prosperity Now

Levere will focus her talk on building wealth for residents in predominantly black communities and MHC's 22,000 Equities campaign focused on creating housing opportunities for black households, as 36% of black households are homeowners, compared to 70% of white households.

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**Tickets:** \$80 per person  
Scholarship Tickets are Available

Click [HERE](#) for more information on purchasing tickets online and by mail

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501 (c)(3) organization. Your contribution is tax deductible within IRS regulations.

## **Community Calendar**

**Fair Housing Coalition  
meets at 2:00 P.M.  
on the 2nd Tuesday of each  
month at New Directions,  
1000 E. Liberty**

**Louisville Vacant Property  
Campaign  
meets at 5:30 P.M.  
on the 3rd Tuesday of each  
month at the  
Western Library  
604 South Tenth Street**

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**Third Annual Craft Beer  
Throwdown**  
Thursday, May 30th  
5:00 - 8:00PM  
Louisville Water Tower Park  
3005 River Rd.

Contact Erica Johns for  
additional information.  
[ejohns@louhomeless.org](mailto:ejohns@louhomeless.org)

# 2019 ANNUAL MEETING DINNER

The Olmsted  
3701 Frankfort Ave. Louisville, KY 40206

Networking / 5:15pm  
Dinner & Program / 6:15pm

Tickets - \$80/person  
Includes dinner / Cash bar available

Sponsorship opportunities available  
Contact MHC regarding scholarship tickets

## 22,000 EQUITIES: PROSPERITY & HOUSING JUSTICE FOR ALL

Keynote Speaker / Andrea Levere, President of Prosperity Now



Since 2004, Andrea Levere has served as president of Prosperity Now (formerly CFED), a private nonprofit organization with the mission of ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to gain financial stability, build wealth and achieve prosperity. Prosperity Now designs and operates major national initiatives that aim to integrate financial capability services into systems serving low-income people, build assets and savings, and advance research and policies that expands economy mobility for all with a special focus on closing the racial wealth divide. Levere is currently the chair of the Community Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve System. She will be talking about building wealth for residents in predominantly black communities and MHC's 22,000 Equities campaign focused on creating housing opportunities for black households, as 36% of black households are homeowners, compared to 70% of white households.

To purchase tickets online:

1. Visit [www.metropolitanhousing.org/donate](http://www.metropolitanhousing.org/donate)
2. Click "Donate"
3. Enter the total amount of all tickets you are purchasing
4. Include the following information in the Comments box:
  - a. "2018 Annual Meeting tickets"
  - b. Names of all attendees (if known)
  - c. How many vegetarian/vegan meals required
  - d. If not attending but donating tickets as sponsoships for low-income attendees, type "Annual Meeting Ticket Donation."

To purchase tickets by mail:

1. Mail a check to MHC at P.O. Box 4533, Louisville, KY 40204
2. Include the following on a separate piece of paper:
  - a. Names of all attendees (if known)
  - b. How many vegetarian/vegan meals required

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.



## MHC 30th Anniversary Board Reunion

The Metropolitan Housing Coalition recently hosted a 30th Anniversary Board Reunion at Metro United Way--30 Years of MHC History together for one night, as many former and current board members gathered to reconnect with one another, share successes, and recommit to the fair and affordable housing work ahead.

Thank you to ALL of the former Board members, current Board members, and former MHC staff who were able to attend the event!

# EVENT PHOTO GALLERY





A Special **THANK YOU** to Total Wine & More for supporting MHC, the Board Reunion, and our community!



**The Kentucky Supreme Court Wants to Talk with YOU about Race and the**

# Court System

The Kentucky Supreme Court, under the leadership of Chief Justice Minton, is starting a series of sessions with the public on race and the court system. The first session is May 16- see the information. There will be resource people from all aspects of the court system and the systems that attached, like Corrections, Public Defender, Prosecutor, and more. You can attend this session and learn about the sessions on specific topics that will occur such as the bail system, evictions and others.

The Court system affects us, our families and the people we work with - it is important for you to talk about how you experienced the court system and what can be better.

This is **YOUR** chance to be heard. You can begin by filling out a confidential survey that is online

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JeffCoCOURTS> .

## The Housing Needs Assessment: Impact on Fair Housing

On April 18 many groups sponsored a forum on the impact of the new Housing Needs Assessment on fair housing. What is the Louisville Housing Needs Assessment? The study is the first full assessment of housing needs across all of Louisville/Jefferson County. The Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund (LAHTF) and Develop Louisville's Office of Housing & Community Development (OHCD) commissioned this assessment, including recommendations. The report identifies the need for 31,412 units at or below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI). Click [HERE](#) to visit the LAHTF website and access the full report, executive summary, appendix, and all 21 housing market area profiles.

The forum had a deep history of racial discrimination in housing in Louisville, presented by **Art Crosby** of the Fair Housing Council. **Christie McCravy** of the LAHTF and **Marilyn Harris** of the OHCD did a great job discussing what the HNA found, the report

recommendations, and how this affects protected classes. **Kendall Boyd** of the Louisville Metro Human Relations Commission talked about the report recommendations and how to create true housing choice for all.

## **Did you know that 2019 is the 30th Anniversary of the Metropolitan Housing Coalition (MHC)?**

STAY TUNED FOR UPCOMING  
EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS



**CAN YOU AFFORD TO RENT THIS UNIT?**



With grant funding from the [Louisville Bar Foundation](#) and the [Louisville Affordable Housing Trust Fund \(LAHTF\)](#), the Metropolitan Housing Coalition (MHC) is partnering with the [Louisville Urban League](#), [Legal Aid Society Louisville](#), and the [Lexington Fair Housing Council](#) to create [Renter Center](#), a rental readiness program designed to educate renters about their rights and responsibilities and how to have a successful tenure as a renter.



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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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