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City of Rockford Holds Community Development Public Input Sessions

ROCKFORD – March 24, 2009 - On April 1, 2009 and April 2, 2009, the City of Rockford's Community and Economic Development Department (CEDD) is hosting the *2010 – 2014 Consolidated Plan Public Input Session* to gather feedback related to the housing and community development needs of Rockford.

For the convenience of our citizens, three (3) meetings have been scheduled. On April 1st, there will be two meetings to choose from: The first from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM at the Goodwill Abilities Center, 1907 Kishwaukee Street and the second from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Rockford Housing Authority, 223 S. Winnebago Street. A third meeting planned for April 2, 2009 will be held from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM at Anderson Gardens, 318 Springcreek Road.

The 2010 – 2014 Consolidated Plan is required for the allocation of federal resources via the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program; funds which are vital in the continued revitalization of the City of Rockford's urban core. "Gaining public input is vital in the success of long-term planning for our community and is a practical step in ensuring we are meeting the needs and expectations of our citizens," stated CEDD Director Reid Montgomery

All three input sessions are open and free to the public.

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