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## **City of Springfield and Community Organizations Team Up for Tenant Education Program**

SPRINGFIELD, OHIO – August 11, 2017 – The City of Springfield, Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Graceworks, Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Neighborhood Housing Partnership and Project Woman have joined together to present a Tenant Education Certificate Program for residents. The program will take place on Wednesday, August 30, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. in the Lincoln Park Community Center Multi-Purpose Room, located at 1900 Huron Avenue in Springfield.

During the training, attendees will hear several presentations from the above organizations covering topics such as personal budgeting and financial planning, housekeeping and stress maintenance, available city services such as fair housing and mediation, code enforcement and home ownership. There will also be an inspirational speaker, Tiffany Wanzo, who will share her experiences as a former tenant in Springfield and her current experiences as a homeowner.

At the conclusion of the training, all attendees will receive a certificate of completion, which they can use to demonstrate to potential landlords that they are working to become better tenants.

“This is a long-standing community partnership to benefit residents of the City of Springfield,” said Nancy Flinchbaugh, Fair Housing/Mediation Coordinator for the Springfield Community Development Department. “The Springfield/Clark County Fair Housing Advocates first organized the program several years ago, and the City continues to coordinate it because we believe it truly helps residents become better tenants and become more aware of their rights.”

Refreshments will be provided at the training. To attend, please RSVP to Nancy Flinchbaugh at 937-324-7696 or [nflinchbaugh@springfieldohio.gov](mailto:nflinchbaugh@springfieldohio.gov).

If you cannot attend this training, it is offered on a quarterly basis. Check the Human Relations page at [www.springfieldohio.gov](http://www.springfieldohio.gov) to watch for upcoming dates.

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