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Springfield Affordable Housing Center opens June 5

Community Partnership of the Ozarks and the City of Springfield are pleased to announce the opening of the Springfield Affordable Housing Center Wednesday, June 5, 2013. Located at 300 E. Central in City Government Plaza, the Springfield Affordable Housing Center is a one stop shop for affordable housing and homeless prevention services.

"The opening of the Springfield Affordable Housing Center is the culmination of years of planning and visioning by the community. Together, we have developed a centralized location where residents can access multiple agencies and organizations that offer safe, decent and affordable housing," said Michelle Garand, Deputy Director of Affordable Housing and Homeless Prevention with Community Partnership of the Ozarks.

The Center offers the community direct access to key housing service providers including, the Springfield Community Land Trust, One Door, the Housing Authority, Veterans' Administration, Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri and more. Each of these agencies provides important steps and services in the continuum of care for people seeking stability and affordable housing solutions.

"The City's support for the Springfield Affordable Housing Center is in keeping with our efforts to work with homeless service providers, One Door, the Springfield Community Land Trust, food pantries and others who assist those in need. Springfield is a giving community with a heart, and we want to do what we can to help those who need affordable housing, whether it's the homeless or those just needing a hand up," said Springfield City Manager Greg Burris.

Please join us at 4:00 PM for a ribbon cutting, tours of the facility, refreshments, and the opportunity to speak with people who can take advantage of the services provided by the Center.

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