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CHCSA Forum - Vision Plan for Community Housing - 5th December 2006

Further to previous information provided to our Membership, the CHCSA wishes to advise that there will be a *"Vision Plan Forum for CHOs"* on **Tuesday 5th December 2006 from 2pm to 4.30pm.**

The Forum will be held at the **Payneham Library Complex**, corner Turner St and OG Rd, Felixstow.

The Forum will provide all CHOs with the opportunity to provide input into CHCSA's response to the **Vision Plan** and assist us to engage with the Office for Community Housing more purposefully. It is intended that this will be a Forum for CHOs only.

During the Forum we will break up into two separate meeting rooms, one each for Housing Associations and Housing Co-operatives. This recognises that the issues are somewhat different for the two sub-sectors. However, we will reconvene with enough time to share and compare viewpoints.

We invite all CHOs to send representatives to this Forum so that we can gather your feedback and response to the **Vision** presentations being conducted by the Office for Community Housing.

It is necessary to register for the Forum, please register by phone on (08) 83621022 or via <mailto:info@chcsa.org.au>

CHCSA Survey to Community Housing Organisations

The Community Housing Council of SA Inc (CHCSA) provides a range of services to Community Housing Organisations (CHOs); including information and advice on a range of issues as well as advocacy on behalf of CHO, representation of CHOs' interests to government and others, and networking between CHOs.

As a responsible customer focused organisation, the CHCSA is seeking feedback on CHOs on how well our services meet their needs.

This information will be used to help guide and shape our services in the next year or two and ensure that they are relevant to your needs.

The CHCSA has posted out the Survey to Housing Co-operatives and Associations and provided a 'reply paid' envelope for Members to return the completed survey to us.

The CHCSA encourages all CHOs to complete the survey and return it to us. Alternatively, CHOs can access their relevant survey from our Website, complete it online and e-mail it back to us. Please click on the relevant following link to access the survey.

- http://www.chcsa.org.au/reports_chcsa_coop.htm
- http://www.chcsa.org.au/reports_chcsa_assoc.htm

Further information on the Survey can be obtained by contacting David Kilner, Senior Policy Officer at the CHCSA on (08) 8362 1022 or via <mailto:info@chcsa.org.au>

South Australian Awards for Excellence in Community Housing ~ Congratulations

The Office for Community Housing hosted the South Australian Awards for Community Housing on Friday 3rd November 2006 at the *Pavilion on the Park*.

The CHCSA would like to extend its sincerest congratulations to the following Award recipients;

• **Excellence in Service to Tenants and Communities in Rural & Remote Communities**

Award presented to, **Riversgate Housing Association Inc**

Commendation to, **Kangaroo Island Community Housing Association**

• **Innovative Responses to Housing & Environmental Needs**

This Award was presented to equally to, **Anglican Community Care Housing Association** and to, **Multi Agency Community Housing Association**.

• **Excellence in Education and Training**

Award presented to, **Inner City Housing Co-operative**

• **Outstanding Personal Contribution to Community Housing**

Award presented to, **Irene Leighton ~ Paris Flat Housing Co-operative**

Commendations to, **Noel Hocking ~ Frederic Ozanam Housing Association** and, **Paula Graham ~ Turtle Housing Co-operative**.

Congratulations to all of the nominees, commendations and Award winners. Congratulations also to the Office for Community Housing and in particular the **Awards Organising Committee** for co-ordinating this event.

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DIARY DATES

Monday 13th November	CHCSA Hills & Southern Forum
Tuesday 14th November	CHCSA Northern Forum
Wednesday 29th November	CHCSA Public Information Session
Friday 24th November	CHCSA Management Committee Meeting

Tuesday 5 th December	CHCSA Member's Workshop for Vision Plan
Friday 8 th December	CHCSA Policy Committee
Friday 8 th December	CHCSA Co-op Rep Council Meeting
Saturday 9 th December	CHCSA Spanish Speaking Forum
Monday 11 th December	CHCSA Hills & Southern Forum
Tuesday 12 th December	CHCSA Northern Forum
Wednesday 13 th December	CHCSA Central Forum

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