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Survivors Can Explore Housing Options at the Affordable Housing Expo

BATON ROUGE (December 6, 2016) - Survivors affected by the August flooding can explore possible housing solutions at the **Louisiana Affordable Housing Solutions Expo at the Celtic Media Centre, Dec. 9-10**. The Expo, sponsored by the Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Association, will be a showcase for exhibitors to present housing solutions in a trade-show atmosphere.

Other Expo sponsors are the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Louisiana Housing Corporation, Office of Community Development and the Louisiana Business Emergency Operations Center. Manufactured homes, a tiny house (a residential structure style under 500 square feet, often featured on home improvement programs), park trailers and prefabricated housing options will be available for survivors to view and walk through.

Recovery resources, legal services, mitigation advisors, realtors, suppliers, restoration services and other housing-related exhibitors will be at the Expo to display their products and services.

Kids have a hand in recovery as well, so there will also be a Kids' Corner with activities such as coloring, face painting and face cut-out photo ops.

Noted local artist Dayna Breaud of Hammond, La., is donating two "Louisiana Great Flood 2016" posters, one to be given away each day of the Expo.

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The Expo will be held at the following address:

Celtic Media Centre
10000 Celtic Drive
Studio 6 – Caitlin Building
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

The Expo will be open Friday, Dec. 9 from 12 p.m. until 8 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 10 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Admission is free.

The adjacent Disaster Recovery Center at the Celtic Media Centre will be open during the Expo.

The Capitol Area Transit System is providing free shuttle service to the Expo from regular Route 58 stops 2516 and 2570. The shuttles are fully accessible.

“We are really excited about the Expo,” said Clay Rives, Director of Operations for the Louisiana Business Emergency Operations Center. “So many different members of the community have come together to make this one of the best collections of recovery resources I have seen.”

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