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**REALTOR® Foundation Grants to Help Local Homeless Organizations in 2012**  
*Grant applications due Aug. 26*

INDIANAPOLIS – Each year, the REALTOR® Foundation distributes grants dedicated to central Indiana charities that provide critical housing to victims of homelessness. Today, the REALTOR® Foundation announced the start of the 2012 application cycle. Interested organizations should submit a grant application by **Friday, Aug. 26**.

As in the past, the funds will benefit organizations that assist a wide range of homeless individuals, such as recently emancipated foster children, men recovering from hospitalization, women and children who have been victims of domestic violence and mental health and addiction patients.

“The need for homelessness support services continues to be critical as the national economy struggles to climb out of recession,” said Joyce Scotten, 2011 president of the REALTOR® Foundation. “It is important that we, as REALTORS®, provide what we can to those vital organizations that are helping members of our community who have just fallen on hard times.”

Established in 1984, the REALTOR® Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of REALTORS® (MIBOR). Through its concentration on transitional and permanent supportive housing — which the Foundation defines as the step between emergency shelter and homeownership — the organization partners with existing organizations which have housing as part of their mission to address homelessness throughout central Indiana. To date, the REALTOR® Foundation has provided more than \$600,000 to regional nonprofits in the past six years.

The real estate community raised the funds allocated for 2011-2012 grant cycle through individual and corporate donations.

Organizations interested in learning more about the Foundation’s competitive grant process can visit [www.realtorfoundation.org](http://www.realtorfoundation.org) for more information or to download an application.

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