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New Board, Officers Set to Guide REALTOR® Foundation in 2013

INDIANAPOLIS – The REALTOR® Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of REALTORS® (MIBOR), today announced its new board members and leadership team for 2013.

The REALTOR® Foundation's new board members will focus on the Foundation's ongoing commitment to community projects geared toward supporting local organizations combating homelessness in central Indiana.

The new board members include:

Clay Bowden, Encore Sotheby's International, Indianapolis
Janice Ruiz, Keller Williams Indianapolis Metro West, Avon
Michelle Collins, Meridian Title, Indianapolis
Vicki Kenworthy-Wright, Carpenter REALTORS®, Indianapolis
Priscilla Russell, Hall & Russell Real Estate Group, Indianapolis
Dave Goff, Carpenter REALTORS®, Carmel

In addition, the Foundation has appointed new leadership to steward the organization's activities for the next year. The Foundation's 2013 officers are:

Gail Watts, president – RE/MAX Ability Plus, Fishers
Dean Hicks, president-elect – Prudential Indiana Realty Group, Greenwood
Jodi O'Neill, secretary – First American Title Insurance Company, Avon
Dan Bowden, treasurer – F.C. Tucker Company, Indianapolis

"The REALTOR® Foundation has positioned itself to continue making a strong impact within our communities in the coming years," commented Bruce Bright, current REALTOR® Foundation president. "We are so fortunate to have these dedicated community leaders lending their talent and passion to the cause of making sure central Indiana residents have safe, decent housing."

Each year, the Foundation looks to support the vital work of organizations that serve people displaced because of domestic violence, natural disaster or economic hardships that have made them temporarily homeless. About 1,500 people are homeless in Indianapolis every night. In response to this problem, the Foundation awards grants to support central Indiana organizations working to provide transitional housing solutions.

To date, the REALTOR® Foundation has provided more than \$750,000 to regional nonprofits in the past seven years. In June, the REALTOR® Foundation completed the *Building a Living Legacy: Centennial Project*, which provided 32 renovated and new homes to families in need on the city's Near Eastside.

To learn more about the REALTOR® Foundation, visit www.realtorfoundation.org.

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The REALTOR® Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of REALTORS® (MIBOR) and serves to support homeless service providers throughout central Indiana. MIBOR is the professional association representing central Indiana's REALTORS®. MIBOR serves the needs of more than 5,500 members and affiliate members in Boone, Brown, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan and Shelby counties. MIBOR also supplies the Broker Listing Cooperative® service to REALTORS® in Decatur, Madison and Putnam counties. To learn more about MIBOR's centennial, visit www.mibor100.com.