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Mayor's YP Kitchen Cabinet Launches Cincinnati Open House

Initiative aims to educate YP's about buying a home in Cincinnati

Cincinnati – Mayor Mark Mallory and his Young Professionals Kitchen Cabinet (YPKC) are kicking off the Next YPKC project: Cincinnati Open House this weekend at the Over-the Rhine Tour of Living. The *Cincinnati Open House* series is aimed at attracting and retaining young professionals by providing information on home ownership, financing, and the urban lifestyle and by creating enthusiasm around Cincinnati's urban core neighborhoods and new residential development.

"Cincinnati is an incredibly affordable and easy city to buy a home for young professionals," Mayor Mallory said. "In many cities around the country, it would be virtually impossible to afford to live in the urban core. YPs are forced to choose between renting and commuting."

The first event of the *Cincinnati Open House* series will take place in conjunction with the 2007 Over-the-Rhine Tour of Living on Sunday, June 3 in the Gateway Quarter District of Over-the-Rhine. At the event, housing professionals from around the region will educate attendees of the Over-The-Rhine Tour of Living about the ease of becoming a homeowner in Cincinnati. The *Cincinnati Open House* will focus on new developing property in Cincinnati's urban neighborhoods and will provide tips on how you can save money in the process.

To help kick off the *Cincinnati Open House*, the YPKC Housing Committee is hosting a pre-party on Saturday, June 2, 2007, from 8:00 PM to close at Mr. Pitiful's on Main Street in Over-The-Rhine. The event will feature music entertainment, drink specials and giveaways. Admission is free and open to everyone. Parking is available. Guests are encouraged to wear their favorite t-shirt, button or sticker which demonstrated pride in their Cincinnati neighborhood.

In attendance will be young professionals from around the region, real estate and development professionals, summer interns from various local companies, local government leaders and community leaders and members of the Over-the-Rhine and Downtown neighborhoods. Guests are encouraged to come and meet community leaders and small business owners who have enjoyed success in the Over-the-Rhine and other Cincinnati neighborhoods.

The YPKC Housing Committee members are: Sean Suder (Hyde Park), Chair; Layla Doston (Over-the-Rhine), Vice Chair/Secretary, Lawanda Anderson (Over-the-Rhine); John Back (Over-the-Rhine); Marion Haynes (Walnut Hills); Jack Keating (Downtown) ; Joe Mumper (Newport); Kristen Myers (Downtown); Brett Paguirigan (Blue Ash); and Jay Ross (North College Hill).

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