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Public Forum to Address Issues Facing Fathers

With the rise of single dads, local agency helping men become better fathers

What: The Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency's (CAA) 4th Annual Fatherhood Forum – *"From Males to Men: Transforming the Face of Our Community"*

The conference will include workshops, exhibits, and resources for fathers on: financial literacy; understanding the child support system; being a hands-on parent; Hispanic families; smart communication within the family; health and wellness; domestic violence; and much more.

When: Saturday, June 25, 2011, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast and lunch are provided.

Where: Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency
Gwen L. Robinson Conference Room
1740 Langdon Farm Road
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Who: Fathers, father figures, youth, social workers, and fatherhood practitioners will take part in a series of workshops and discussions centered on males in our community. John Moore, President of Cincinnati's *100 Black Men*, will provide the keynote address at 9:30 a.m.

A roundtable discussion at 1:00 p.m. will include: Shawn Butler, *Director of Community Affairs – Office of Mayor Mallory*; Jason Dunn, *Cincinnati USA Convention & Visitors Bureau*; Sam Malone, *Urban Strategies and Solutions Group*; Chris Nelms, *Cincinnati Public Schools*; Sean Parker, *Cincinnati Public Schools*; and Jason Riveiro, *League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)*.

Why: A recent study by the Pew Research Center ("A Tale of Two Fathers") reported that the percentage of fathers living apart from their children has doubled within the last five years. Fatherlessness is linked to poverty, high school dropout rates, crime, adolescent drug use, and teenage pregnancy. These problems have become systemic as one generation experiences them and then passes on the legacy of fatherlessness.

The Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency is a private, non-profit organization that has served as a lifeline for low-income children and adults throughout Hamilton County for more than four decades. Delivering a seamless system of services, CAA provides assistance with employment, emergency services, home energy bills, home weatherization, early childhood education, housing, and youth programs.

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