



COMMUNITY FORUM

TAX ISSUES & POLICIES AFFECTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26th
7:00 – 9:00 PM
Catholic Social Services- 4925 Packard



SPEAKERS:

Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer – OVERVIEW OF THE STATE AND LOCAL TAX CONTEXT

Ruth Ann Jamnick, Supervisor Ypsilanti Township and former State Representative– THE TAXATION PERSPECTIVE OF LOCAL AND STATE OFFICIALS AND WHAT ROLE FOR CITIZEN ADVOCACY

Local Housing Organization representatives – MODELS FOR MAKING TAX POLICY A CONTRIBUTOR AND A PARTNER—NOT A BARRIER-- TO PRODUCING & MAINTAINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING

MODELS INCLUDE: permanent restricted equity covenants, land trust limited equity leases, PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes), tax abatements, and others.

DISCUSSION:

The Forum will include ample time for a discussion of affordable housing tax related questions, issues, and strategies among attendees and resource people.

SPONSORS: Washtenaw County Treasurer's Office, RAAH (Religious Action for Affordable Housing), City of Ann Arbor & Washtenaw County's Office of Community Development, Ypsilanti Township, and Washtenaw County MSU Extension.

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS include: Huron Valley Habitat for Humanity, Homeplace Community Land Trust, Avalon Housing, Michigan Ability Partners, and Washtenaw Affordable Housing Corporation.