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**Community Properties of Ohio (CPO) Hosts Annual Prom for Senior Community Residents**

*(A night of "Blooms & Blues" will be held at the Franklin Park Conservatory for senior residents of local affordable housing communities)*

**Columbus (OH)** - Community Properties of Ohio (CPO Management), the property management affiliate of Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing, is hosting its 8th annual Prom, "Blooms & Blues," on Thursday June 30th at the Franklin Park Conservatory from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Invited guests include senior/disabled residents of the CPO portfolio and local residents of other affordable housing communities in Columbus, including Cambridge Arms, Michigan Avenue, Worley Terrace, Central Community House, Jenkins Terrace, Bollinger Tower and Homeport Rental Living. This event, originated in 2003, has grown in popularity and numbers over the years and provides more than 250 seniors a night of dinner, dancing and socialization - a night these residents eagerly anticipate.

"The CPO Prom has become a huge success," said Isabel Toth, CPO President. "This is a great opportunity for residents to dress up, dance to amazing music, and relax with their peers while enjoying the botanical gardens of the Conservatory – right in their own backyard."

After dinner guests will dance to the music of The Jimmy McGee Band. This event provides CPO and Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing staff an opportunity to volunteer and serve residents personally. Additionally, local alumni of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and members of the local community have volunteered to assist with the event and seniors of Central Community House have made corsages for each guest. The highlight of the evening will include the crowning of a King and Queen from each community.

The success of this event is credited largely to friends and sponsors, who lend their financial support to the event. Funding is raised through Community Properties Impact Corporation (CPO Impact), the 501(c) 3 foundation of Community Properties of Ohio. This year's event could not be possible without the sponsorship of Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, Computer Site Columbus (CSC), and the JF Company. Generous contributions were also made by Greg Miller Photography, Radabaugh Lawn Care & Landscaping, Mop & Mess, Continental Message Solutions, First Merit Bank and Fentress & Barnes.

CPO Management Services, established in 2003, is the property management affiliate of Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing. CPO manages a portfolio of more than 1,100 low-income housing units in 221 buildings scattered in seven urban Columbus neighborhoods (such as Weinland Park, Old Town East, Harrison West and others). CPO celebrated the completion of a \$100M renovation of these properties in 2010. Additionally, CPO manages 820 units of low-income and special needs housing across Ohio on behalf of its affiliate and partners such as YWCA, Homeport Rental Living (a division of Columbus Housing Partnership), Homes on the Hill, Buckeye Hope Foundation and the Ohio Affordable Housing Trust. For more information, visit our website at [www.cpoms.org](http://www.cpoms.org).

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