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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS

Advance4, LLC, specializes in serving nonprofit and governmental sectors with extensive experience in addressing planning, capacity and resource development issues. Advance4 has a variety of strategic planning experience assisting such organizations as The Council on Aging of Southwest Ohio, Habitat for Humanity of Ohio, and Maumee Valley Habitat for Humanity. Vice President, Bill Simon, has over 30 years of housing development, planning, and community development experience.

Jerolyn Barbee of J.D. Barbee & Associates has over 20 years experience in developing innovative community-based programs and customer service delivery coordination for federally and foundation funded programs. She has raised over \$2.5 million for non-profit organizations from federal, foundation and corporate funding sources and managed budgets in excess of \$3 million over a 14 year period. As a skilled grant writer and special event organizer, Ms. Barbee provides training in the areas of proposal development and grant writing and volunteer mobilization and provides technical assistance with board development and formation of effective partnerships and collaborations. Ms. Barbee has a background in the areas of community development and citizen engagement.

Patricia Barnes, OCDCA Executive Director, is a HUD Certified HOME Specialist. Ms. Barnes has skills in the areas of organizational development and certification of new CHDOs. One example of how these skills have been used is in the design and delivery of “Introduction to the CDC Field” workshop presented in 2006 and 2007 with funding from the Ohio Department of Development. Ms. Barnes developed the concept for the workshop, prepared a slide show and organized panels of CHDOs and resources available to CHDOs and CDCs. Information presented in the workshop by Ms. Barnes included an overview of CHDO requirements as well as information on resources available to CHDOs. Ms. Barnes has also assisted potential CHDOs with nonprofit incorporation, tax exempt status, applications for CHDO certification, organization of boards, and information on resources.

David Brainin is a Housing Management and Development Consultant with close to 30 years of experience in developing and managing affordable housing and elderly care facilities. Mr. Brainin has served many faith-based or related organizations such as Episcopal Retirement Homes, Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio, National Church Residences, and First Community Village. As Executive Director for Housing Services at Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio (1997-2005), he was responsible for development, construction and management of 21 affordable elderly facilities. He obtained HUD 202 funding on three out of four applications in 2003, and developed successful proposals for the turn-around of two troubled CHDOs. Mr. Brainin has provided consulting services on nine projects largely related to pre-development. Mr. Brainin's areas of expertise include site selection, applications for funding, acquisition of facilities, transition of ownership, management of facilities, marketing, budgeting and financial management, and troubled projects.

Michael Childs has over eighteen years of financial service and banking experience. He has a proven track record in community reinvestment initiatives, partnership development, outreach management and training. He had developed courses in financial literacy which is designed to increase the ability of individuals to manage their personal finances and board development that focuses on the role and responsibilities of board members.

Barbara Conover-Webb is the Executive Director of Three Rivers Housing Corp., a grassroots nonprofit housing developer located in The Plains, Ohio. Ms. Conover-Webb is a 1995 Basic Skills graduate and has given presentations on home-ownership in the Basic Skills program over the past several years. She is particularly skilled in the area of homeownership and providing housing for special populations, such as individuals with mental retardation and developmental disabilities. Ms. Conover-Webb is an experienced housing developer and trainer as well as a licensed lead paint risk assessor. Three Rivers Housing Corporation received the Housing and Economic Development Meritorious Service Award from the Ohio Housing Finance Agency in 1998. Ms. Conover-Webb is a member of The Trainers Guild.

Jeanine Colozza of Colozza and Associates has skills in all aspects of the development process from feasibility to completion of construction. Ms. Colozza currently works with non-profit and for-profit developers in the Greater Cleveland, Akron and Canton areas. Recent clients include Neighborhood Progress, Inc., Enterprise, LISC and the Cleveland Housing Network. She recently served as a Senior Project Manager for the New Village Corporation with Neighborhood Progress, Inc. where she managed real estate development projects from inception to completion of construction and as a CDC Executive Director for Tremont West Development Corporation. Ms. Healy-Colozza has skills in the areas of packaging HOME and HDAP projects, foreclosure prevention, acquisition and title clearance, marketing/leasing/sales, partnerships, collaborations and mergers, obtaining bank financing, grant writing, business plan development, strategic planning, and operating budgets and reserves.

Gerald Diaz, Principal, Gerald Diaz Associates, Property Rehabilitation

Consultants Gerald Diaz has over twenty years experience in providing community development program analysis, consultation, and training for housing and development programs and practitioners, and has participated in HUD's national technical assistance contracts for both CDBG and HOME programs. He has designed and implemented affordable housing and homeownership programs with both rehabilitation and new construction components. He has assisted many localities in housing program design, program policy, procedures and information systems. He has more than twenty-five years experience in residential and light commercial construction in both government and private sector environments. Building analysis, investigative testing, lead-based paint hazard management, code compliance scope of work determination, energy conservation, specifications, material application, cost analysis, construction management, and contractor development are topics upon which he has provided training for thousands of housing and community development practitioners nationwide over the past twenty years. He has directed the Community Revitalization Training Center (CRTC) since 1987 and has served on the boards of non-profit housing providers. He has assisted in the planning foundation and board development of non-profit housing corporations and CHDOs.

Amy Griffith, Director of Training and Technical Assistance, has primary responsibility for the delivery of affordable housing training and technical assistance. Ms. Griffith joined OCDCA in April 2008. Ms. Griffith received Certification as a HOME Program Specialist-Regulations in September 2008. She brings a strong background in community development and housing consulting experience with work experience in the private consulting firms. Prior to joining OCDCA, she conducted market and feasibility studies, resulting in development of multi-family, retail, industrial, office, and mixed-use projects. Ms. Griffith has technical assistance experience in assisting City of Columbus CHDOs on a city-wide basis to develop their organizational capacity through developing a streamlined process for the financial and construction management of HOME-assisted projects. This streamlined process was developed to improve the HOME program production and performance of existing and potential CHDOs. Ms. Griffith is recently received her master's degree in City and Regional Planning and Public Policy from The Ohio State University and is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati with a Bachelors of Urban Planning.

Charles Gunnell, President of VCS Ltd has over twenty years of experience in affordable housing. Gunnell has housing experience in rehab program management, sales strategy, construction management, program design, project development, and development strategies.

Kate Harkin, Harkin Consulting Services has twenty years of experience in program development and project management for initiatives within non-profit organizations and businesses. She has experience in assessment and analysis, change management, managing mergers, strategic planning and management, appreciative inquiry, creating sustainable organizations, and large group facilitation. Her professional experience includes Director of Central Ohio B-16 Initiative for the Educational Council of Franklin County, Interim Assistance Director, Human Resources Coordinator at Columbus State Community College, and Project Manager for Concorde Capital Corporation. In addition, she has research and consulting experience with assessing organizational culture for Educational Service Center of Franklin County, facilitating the Louisiana Recovery and Rebuilding Conference, and strategic planning for Ohio Dept. of Education's Reading First Ohio Project. Harkin served in the U.S. Peace Corp as an Educator/Community and Economic Development Specialist.

Martin Jarret, President of Jarret Consulting Services, Toledo, Ohio, brings over 30 years of experience and accomplishment in community development, housing and economic development and community planning. Mr. Jarret directed the City of Toledo's Neighborhood Planning Program – the first city program to provide direct technical assistance to community based organizations. Ten years ago, Mr. Jarret began a consulting firm, Jarret Consulting Services (JCS). JCS has helped a wide range of community development corporations and other community-based organizations, city government and private organizations. The firm's emphasis has been strategic planning, organizational development, community planning, feasibility analysis and housing/economic development. He has also served as the Interim Executive Director of two established Toledo CDCs during the past two years. He has an Engineering degree from Northeastern University and a Master of City Planning degree from Georgia Tech.

Laura Junglas of The Org Doc, based in Cleveland, Ohio, has over twenty years of experience working with nonprofit organizations, including Community Development Corporations. Ms. Junglas has extensive expertise in developing and delivering training on local, state and national levels covering a wide range of topics, such as roles/responsibilities training for Boards, Strategic Planning, Asset Management, Creating a Proformas, and Implementing the Lease Option for Year 15 of Housing Credit developments. She is familiar with managing real estate development project teams including the management of construction teams, coordination of financing and working with a variety of partners. Ms. Junglas also has community development lending experience that includes real estate development projects, commercial and mixed use financing and operating lines of credit.

Frances Leighty with Leighty and Snider, Inc. has 44 years of experience in CDBG, NSP, HOME and assorted other related programs. He has been responsible for obtaining and assisting entities to carry out more than \$105 million in CDBG Programs. Mr. Leighty was an Associate Partner with Woolpert Consultants in Dayton, Ohio where he directed their Urban Renewal Program. Subsequently, he worked with more than 200 governmental entities, private developers, and non-profit groups to undertake a wide variety of projects and programs. Mr. Leighty served as a Field Representative for the HUD.

David Maywhoor is a private consultant, based in Columbus, specializing in organizational development, strategic planning and board governance training and capacity building. He has years of community experience starting with fifteen years in a rural community action agency where he advanced from Head Start teacher to Executive Director. Mr. Maywhoor also spent seven years with the Ohio Hunger Task Force, managing a \$9 million statewide advocacy and direct service anti-hunger organization. He has provided services to ReSTOC, a CHDO in Cincinnati, during 2002-03 with board roles and responsibilities and strategic planning and to the Coalition on Housing and Homelessness in Ohio (COHHIO) where in 2002 and 2003, he provided trainers materials and resources for 10 half-day capacity building workshops for nonprofit organizations.

Meera Parthasarathy, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP is a Green Building Consultant and trainer based in Columbus, OH. Ms. Parthasarathy has taught Green Building at Columbus State College, and serves the affordable housing industry as a consultant for green-building development. Ms Parthasarathy is also the Founder and President of the Columbus Green Building Forum. She a registered architect is certified as a designated Building Operator (BOC) and has passed the LEED accreditation examination conducted by the US Green Building Council. She is capable of providing training on various aspects of green affordable housing including energy efficiency measures, sustainable land use, planning, design and material selection, and strategies to improve durability and performance for the home. She also provides an Introduction to Green Affordable Housing in which she presents green housing initiatives around the country and resources available to nonprofit housing developers.

Stephen Percy Real Estate Consulting Services (SPREC), based in Cincinnati, Ohio, brings 23 years of experience in housing/community development and property management services. A consultant since 1993, Mr. Percy has been involved in all aspects of development and management for market rate housing, condos, retail and office complexes, Sections 202, 221d(3), 235, 236, Sec. 8 public housing and LIHTC developments. He has obtained over \$5,000,000 in grants from various sources for these projects. Mr. Percy has extensive experience in community organizing, consumer education, resident empowerment, housing counseling and employee supervision and management.

Paul Webb is a HUD-Certified HOME Specialist. He is Principal of the Paul Webb Company and a member of The Trainer's Guild, located in Albany, Ohio and provides both training and on-site technical assistance for CHDOs in Ohio. Mr. Webb has extensive experience in the provision of training and technical assistance for CHDOs. He provides training and technical assistance in the HOME program in the areas of program management, regulations, CHDO requirements, monitoring and compliance, rental housing programs, homeownership projects and program design. Mr. Webb also provides training in other federal requirements such as financial management (e.g. 24 CFR Parts 84&85 and OMB circulars A-110, A-133 and A-122), relocation and acquisition, labor standards, equal opportunity and fair housing, lead-based paint, environmental reviews and performance measurement. He has trained for HUD, NeighborWorks, TDA, the Ohio Consortium on Housing and many state governments and organizations. Mr. Webb is the lead trainer for the Basic Skills in Affordable Housing workshop series which takes participants from pre-development to project completion.

Rhonda Robinson, President of RDR Public Relations, LLC has a professional career portfolio encompassing more than 25 years in government and business combined. Specifically in the areas of workforce development for low-income families and socially and economic disadvantage business enterprise, including marketing and promotion, fundraising and donor development.

Wendy Smith is a HUD Certified HOME Specialist. She is a Senior Consultant at Capital Access, Inc (CAI), located in Philadelphia, PA. She has a breadth of experience working with municipalities, intermediaries, and CHDOs. She specializes in facilitating Housing Program Management Planning, developing program management tools and templates, analyzing housing markets, and creating neighborhood revitalization strategies. Ms. Smith worked rigorously with City of Fort Wayne housing staff to assess, redesign, and launch housing programs such as Emergency Repair, Homeowner Rehab, TBRA, and Revitalization/Stabilization. She developed Homeowner Affordability Analysis spreadsheets that help staff adhere to program guidelines and improve recordkeeping. Ms. Smith has helped create revitalization plans in Fort Wayne, IN, Ypsilanti Twp., MI, Covington, KY, Aurora, IN, and Cincinnati, OH. Ms. Smith brings 14 years of experience in community development ranging from executive director of a CHDO in Dayton, OH, CDBG Project Manager for the City of Dayton, an Associate Consultant for a real estate consulting firm in Cincinnati. Ms. Smith recently conducted the Advanced Level CHDO Strategic Planning Training for OCDCA. Ms. Smith works remotely from Central Kentucky and therefore has a preference to work with CHDOs in the Cincinnati region.