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The Mission

The NorthWest Initiative is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization working to strengthen and sustain healthy communities in Lansing's 'grand neighborhoods' - the City area bounded by the Grand River on the north, east, and south. The Ingham County Health Department and the City of Lansing sponsors the Initiative. Program partners include residents, neighborhood organizations, local nonprofit organizations, human service agencies, and units of Michigan State University.

Please Welcome ARRO's 2009 Advisory Board

ARRO would like to introduce the Advisory Board for 2009. This year's Board is made up of a unique group of people. Their backgrounds and work experience range from substance abuse to law to education. The members include: Thomas Carmoney (not pictured), Stephanie Fisher, Robert Fluke, Lisa Haston, Valerie Johnson (Treasurer), Wrae Loring (Secretary), Jamar McDonald (Vice President), Robert Snow and Chaunte Sterling (President).



Please help us welcome our new board who is here to diligently help those who are re-entering into the community. If you have any questions on need more information, please contact NorthWest Initiative at (517) 999-2895.

Vision 2020's Exterior Repairs are Under Way

Last month, Vision 2020 held their first exterior home repair event at the Letts Community Center. It was very exciting! Many people came to make a difference in their community. Future dates for those already signed up are, August 15th & September 26th. Assistance is still needed to help keep the volunteers fed & hydrated during these events. We need your help!

Vision 2020 would also like to inform you about the H.E.R.O. Tool Truck, which has everything you need for indoor or outdoor - home maintenance or repair projects. For more information on borrowing any type of tool to complete "your" home project, please join us at our next Vision 2020 meeting, Thursday, July 30th between 5:00 and 6:30pm at the Letts Community Center, located at 1220 W. Kalamazoo St. in Lansing. We will also have information available on the hassle free weatherization program offered through Capitol Area Community Services. Don't forget, various community resource information and current events happening in the Greater Lansing area are tabled monthly.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like more information on this program, feel free to contact Janine (your Vision 2020 Coordinator) at (517) 999-2894 or email her at janine@nwlansing.org.

Ingham Health Plan (IHP) Information Session

Are you a member of the IHP? Do you need health coverage? Want to learn more about IHP?

IHP is a county sponsored health coverage, created for those who cannot afford health insurance and who do not have any other health coverage.

If you are interested in learning more, please join the NWI Outreach Team on Tuesday, July 28th from 5:30 - 6:30 pm at 1012 N. Walnut St. Suite 107 to see if you:

1. Qualify for IHP.
2. Are using it wisely.
3. Have the right health care coverage?

If you would like to sign up that same day, please bring in your current ID and most recent proof of income.

We are here to help you and can sign you up any day of the week. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Maria for an appointment at (517) 999-2895 or email her at maria@nwlansing.org.

