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POINT-IN-TIME HOMELESS COUNT SCHEDULED FOR BOONE COUNTY

Boone County, KY December 21, 2007 –The Kentucky Housing Corporation, the state housing finance agency, is coordinating a point-in-time count of homeless persons in every county in the state. The count will take place in Boone County between the hours of 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., local time, on Thursday, January 24, 2008.

The count is important because it helps determine how much funding will be available for homeless assistance in the state. The Kentucky Housing Corporation estimates that the total count should result in over \$7.5 million in funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Kentucky's homeless program funding.

Due to the wide geographic area that is covered during the count, it is vital that the Kentucky Housing Corporation secure the help of as many volunteers as possible. If you would like to volunteer in this year's count please contact Rigel Behrens, with the Boone County Human Services Department, at (859) 334-2102 or if you would like to volunteer and receive additional information about the volunteer training session on January 16th, contact Michael Hurysz at the Northern Kentucky Area Development District: (859) 283-1885.

To self-report on the day of the count call the United Way Line at 211. They will also have resource information for people who need help. This year, Kentucky is counting those who are living "doubled-up" (temporarily staying with friends/family for economic reasons) and in motels, in addition to those who are completely homeless (sheltered and unsheltered), or will be evicted within two weeks.

The results from this year's study are expected to be released by the end of April.

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