

You are receiving this email from Community Legal Resources because you are a client or associate. To ensure that you continue to receive emails from us, add agaabo@michiganlegal.org to your address book today. If you haven't done so already, click to [confirm](#) your interest in receiving email campaigns from us. To no longer receive our emails, click to [unsubscribe](#).



CLR e-Briefs

A legal information resource for Community Legal Resources' clients

August 9, 2006

Please note that if you prefer not to receive future issues of CLR e-Briefs you may click on "Safe Unsubscribe" at the bottom of this e-mail.

Upcoming CLR seminars: Predatory Lending and Code Enforcement

No cost to nonprofit staff and board members

As a result of a summer survey of issues facing our nonprofit client organizations, Community Legal Resources is pleased to present two upcoming educational seminars:

["A Predatory Lending Seminar for Nonprofit Organizations"](#)



will identify common consumer scams targeted at low-income people and seniors, highlight resources where people can get help, and present information about alternative asset building, IDA accounts, etc.

Tuesday, August 29, 2006

10AM - noon

University of Michigan Detroit Center

Orchestra Place Building, Woodward @ MLK Boulevard

"A Conversation about Ordinance Enforcement and the Detroit Department of Administrative Hearings" is an opportunity for community groups to meet with representatives of Detroit's DAH and Buildings and Safety Engineering Department to discuss what's working-- and what's not-- with our new civil infraction system.

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

9:30 - 11:30AM

YouthVille Detroit

7375 Woodward @ Grand Boulevard

For more information or to register for either seminar, click on the title to access a fax-back form, or contact [Sarida Scott](#) by email or at (313) 964-4130 x227.

General Motors lawyers offer free legal audits

Friday, September 15 @ UDM Law School



Attorneys from [General Motors Corporation](#) are offering one-hour legal audits to up to 12 of CLR's nonprofit client organizations at a clinic scheduled for Friday, September 15th at the [University of Detroit Mercy Law School](#) in downtown

Detroit. Nonprofit executives and/or board members will have an opportunity to meet one-on-one with an attorney versed in nonprofit accountability. The lawyer will then prepare a report for the nonprofit organization suggesting next steps, such as amending its bylaws, having a lawyer review its personnel policies, etc. A great way to introduce new board members or leadership to the legal issues involved in running an "accountable, high-performing" nonprofit organization. Individuals interested in participating in GM Audit Day should contact [Heidi Mucherie](#) by email or at (313) 964-4130 x226 by September 1, 2006.

WSU Law Clinic Providing 501(c)(3) Services

Clients sought for Fall term



The Nonprofit Corporations Clinic at [Wayne State University Law School](#) is seeking up to 4 clients for its Fall term. New nonprofit organizations requiring Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and applications to the IRS for 501(c)(3) status will be represented by law students working under the supervision of two skilled attorney professors. Clients must be prepared to

provide [documentation necessary to submit the IRS form](#). Interested individuals or groups should contact [Heidi Mucherie](#) by email or at (313) 964-4130 x226 by September 1.

Notes from the National Community Land Trust Conference

July 12-15, Boulder, CO

In July CLR staff attended the National Community Land Trust Conference in Boulder, Colorado. CLT staff and experts from around the country assembled to discuss best practices, common problems and trends in affordability preservation. Click [here](#) to read our staff's notes from the conference. For Michigan-specific information and sample documents, please visit CLR's Community Land Trust [page](#) or our Affordability Preservation [page](#), or contact [Sarida Scott](#) by email or at (313) 964-4130 x227.



Stop OverSpending (SOS) Amendment Would Threaten State and Local Services

...information from the Michigan League for Human Services



On July 10th supporters of the Stop Overspending (SOS) ballot initiative submitted signatures to the Michigan Secretary of State's Office in support of placing a restrictive spending formula into the state constitution. This initiative, promoted primarily by out-of-state interests at a time when real per capita state spending in Michigan is approaching a 50 year low, is patterned after Colorado's "Taxpayer Bill of Rights" (TABOR), a constitutional spending limit implemented in 1992 and suspended by Colorado voters last fall in response to dramatic reductions in critical public services. The Michigan League for Human Services' analysis suggests that if SOS is adopted by Michigan voters it would, like TABOR in Colorado, necessitate deep reductions in public spending for K-12 and higher education, health care, fire and police protection, senior services, highways, libraries and a range of other public services.

The Defend Michigan Coalition is a broad-based bi-partisan coalition focused on protecting essential public services and the related quality of life those services afford over 10 million Michigan citizens. To learn more about SOS and the League's analysis, or to join the Defend Michigan Coalition, visit the Michigan League for Human Services [website](#).

Contact CLR with any questions or legal needs

Request Assistance

Community Legal Resources (CLR) provides free legal assistance to community-based organizations.

Contact us at 313-964-4130 or visit our [website](#) for more information.

email: agaabo@michiganlegal.org
phone: 313-964-4130
web: <http://www.clronline.org>

This publication is intended to provide general information, and is not a substitute for legal advice.

[Forward email](#)

 **SafeUnsubscribe™**

This email was sent to azemboy@michiganlegal.org, by agaabo@michiganlegal.org
[Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Powered by



Community Legal Resources | 220 Bagley, Suite 900 | Detroit | MI | 48226