



Upcoming Member Events

Join [Near West Theatre](#) for their 2012 Benefit honoring Joanne Lewis on **Saturday, Jan. 28th**. Click [here](#) for more information.

[Adoption Network Cleveland](#) will be holding a Groupon campaign **January 31-February 2**. Visit [this page](#) of their website to learn how to donate!

[The Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy Center](#) will be holding their Respect Kick-Off Happy Hour Event at Great Lakes Brewing Company on **February 2nd**. Visit their event page [here](#) for more information.

Visit [Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity's](#) booth at the Great Big Home & Garden Expo from Saturday, **Feb. 4th - Sunday, Feb. 12th** at the I-X Center. Use the promotional code HABITAT when purchasing in advance and save \$4. Click [here](#) for ticket information.

[Independent Pictures](#) is

Awards in Social Justice

Nomination Deadline March 1

The time of year to recognize those who have excelled in 2011 has come! Each year, Greater Cleveland Community Shares recognizes individuals and organizations in Northeast Ohio that have made significant contributions to building a stronger community and advancing social justice.

Visit the Shares [website](#) to nominate the people and organizations you think have made the most difference in social justice in the past year. Awards will be presented at our Power Lunch & Annual Meeting:

Friday, June 22, 2012

Windows on the River
200 Sycamore Street
Cleveland, OH 44113

The 2012 Awards Include:

Eleanor R. Gerson Leadership in Social Justice Award- *given to an individual who has demonstrated ongoing leadership in the advancement of social justice and has made significant contributions to social justice causes.*

The Distinguished Activist Award - *given to an individual who has actively contributed to Community Shares in a significant and positive way in the past year.*

Social Justice Reporting Award - *for the best media coverage in Greater Cleveland about social justice issues. Nominations can be for individuals, specific news stories or news organizations in print, television or Internet. All nominations should include a contact person and a sample of the work being nominated.*

calling for film and video entries for the 2012 Ohio Independent Film Festival. Deadlines to submit films and videos for the 2012 OIFF are: **February 1, 2012** (early); **March 1, 2012** (regular). Click [here](#) for more information.

[Housing Research and Advocacy Center](#) will be holding a FREE seminar on the visibility movement and compliance with the American with Disabilities Act on **February 9** at the Hilton Garden Inn. For more information, visit their page [here](#).

Save the date!

[Cogswell Hall's](#) Night at the Races is **Thursday, Mar. 31st**. To purchase tickets or inquire about sponsorship or advertising, contact Danyell Boyd at dboyd@cogswellhall.org

[Domestic Violence & Child Advocacy Center](#) presents 2012 Power of Prevention featuring Dr. Bruce Perry on **Tuesday, Apr. 24th**.

**Need a job?
Want to post a job?
Check out Community Shares' website for a list of non-profit employment opportunities!**

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Join 5,000 other donors who believe in Greater Cleveland.

Member Organization of the Year Award - given to the *Community Shares* member organization that has made the most notable and significant contributions to building a stronger local community and to advancing social justice in the past year.

All nominations due by March 1, 2012

What's New with our Member Organizations?

Sadly, **InterAct Cleveland** will be closing their doors after 20 years of service to the community. Due to increased financial strain over the past two years, they are no longer able to operate and will cease to do so on January 31, 2012. Several nonprofits will be continuing their programs, including HandsOn Northeast Ohio. The Homeless Stand Down will be taking place as planned. To read the letter from InterAct Cleveland's Executive Committee, visit their website [here](#).

We bid a fond farewell to Terri Burgess Sandu, Executive Director of Hard Hatted Women, who will be leaving to take a position as the Director of the Entrepreneurship Innovation Institute and Executive Director for Workforce Development at Lorain County Community College.

Cory Riordan, former Executive Director of St Clair Superior Development Corporation, has been hired as the new executive director of Tremont West Development Corporation. We wish him all the best!

Enter your pet's picture in the [Cleveland Animal Protective League's](#) 2013 Pet Calendar Contest for the chance to have your pet featured in the Cleveland APL pet calendar! For more information on the contest or how to enter, click [here](#).

[NAMI Greater Cleveland](#) has many family and peer education courses available. These free-of-charge programs offer a great way to educate the community about mental illness. Contact NAMI at 216-875-7776 for more information, or visit the education page of their website [here](#).

Did you know?

Did you know that [CityMusic Cleveland](#) provides FREE childcare for each of their FREE concerts? Thanks to them, everyone has a chance to enjoy beautiful music throughout Northeast Ohio. So be sure to check out their next concert series **Wednesday, Mar. 14th - Sunday, Mar. 18th!** Click [here](#) for venue information.

Your Gift. Your Choice.

Does your workplace have an employee giving program? **Encourage them to offer Community Shares as a choice!**

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Cleveland a great place to work and live!
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