

DIRECT ACTION for CENTRAL LORAIN CAMPAIGN

c/o BOLD of Lorain County

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PRESS ADVISORY

JUNE 8, 2000

HIGH NOON

at the STOVEWORKS!!

**ONE YEAR LATER.. THE COMMUNITY GIVES AN UPDATE
AND A PLAN FOR ACTION**

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH

13th Street & Long Ave.

LORAIN, OHIO

NOON

One year ago, leaders from Second Baptist Church, BOLD of Lorain County, Lorain County Community Action Agency, residents, the business community and the City of Lorain stood in front of the old Stoveworks in Lorain pledging to launch a campaign to redevelop Central Lorain. They declared that they were going to engage a diverse group of neighborhood and community stakeholders in an in-depth and long-range visioning process. They also said they would generate and develop a community-centered leadership group to direct community redevelopment for the area including increased housing and commercial reinvestment.

One year later on June 9th of 2000 at the very same spot, those leaders and others they have enrolled will share the progress since last year and the process to complete the redevelopment plan by Labor Day. They will also announce plans to create a new community development corporation (CDC) to implement the plan. Specifically, the leadership team will announce the purpose of a community meeting on June 15th and community surveys conducted by city staff, community leaders and residents this summer. Staff from the Enterprise Foundation, a national organization that provides technical assistance to create redevelopment strategies and initiate implementation plans will be on hand to describe their participation in the process.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL:

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**Central Lorain Direct Action
B.O.L.D.
Press Conference
June 9, 2000
High Noon at the STOVEWORKS
Agenda**

Welcome:

Martha Pye

**Second Baptist Church
Chair person-Direct Action
Executive Committee Member-BOLD**

Prayer:

Rev. Dr. Wheeler

Purpose:

Martha Pye

Background:

Rev. Dr. Wheeler

Residents Testimony:

**Mrs. Ann Higginbotham
Frank Rodriguez
Nelson Ramirez
Jackie Smith**

Plan Development:

**Mark McDermott
Enterprise Foundation**

Stakeholders/Partners:

**Greg Turk-Fifth Third Bank
Prudoff/Hopewell-Comm Development**

Closing Remarks:

Martha Pye