

A photograph of two young children, a girl with curly blonde hair and a boy with short brown hair, both wearing white t-shirts with a blue star logo. They are outdoors in a garden, watering plants with blue and purple watering cans. The background shows other people and greenery.

# DCCF COMMUNITY CONVENING

Please join us to discuss  
Housing in Douglas County

Wednesday, April 24, 2019  
5:30pm - 7:30pm  
Lawrence Public Library  
707 Vermont Street

Dear Friends,

As part of our mission to improve the lives of Douglas County citizens through charitable action, we are convening nonprofit organizations, business and government leaders, university faculty and donors for conversations about how we can make progress on safe and affordable housing for our community.

Please join us to discover how we can make a difference together. Questions? Contact Heather Hoy at [heatherhoy@dccfoundation.org](mailto:heatherhoy@dccfoundation.org) or call 785-843-8727.

Very truly yours,  
Chip Blaser, Executive Director

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# Newsletter

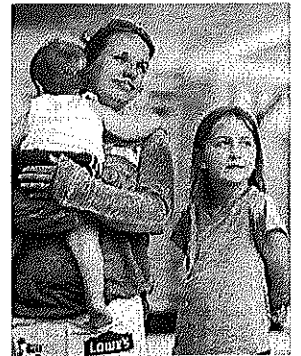
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## Douglas County community collaboration, conversation and charitable action

Last fall, we highlighted the crucial work of the nonprofits in our community that are collaborating to address the issue of homelessness and affordable housing in our community. As a follow-up, we are planning a series of three community conversations around issues that impact the health, future and well-being of all citizens of Douglas County.

As part of our mission to improve the lives of Douglas County citizens through charitable action, DCCF will be convening nonprofit, business and government leaders, university faculty and philanthropists for conversations about how we can be a part of progress on three local concerns: housing, food security and personal health, and behavioral health.

“We hope to be a partner in moving the conversations around these issues forward,” says Chip Blaser, executive director. “Significant work has been done by Lawrence–Douglas County Health Department work groups to create an updated community health plan, and the affordable housing advisory board and the behavioral health steering committee have produced



extraordinary work on plans for making progress. How do we as a charitable community help nonprofits and our city and county government move toward meeting the objectives that have been identified? How can we collaborate, innovate and invest? We believe that together we can make a difference.”

All members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend these conversations. More information will be available on the DCCF website, and in the Lawrence-Journal World.

Join us for community conversations:

### Housing

April 24 • 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library Auditorium

### Food Security and Personal Health

June 27 • 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Flory Building, Douglas County Fairgrounds

### Behavioral Health

September 5 • 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Theatre Lawrence