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MENTAL ILLNESS RECOVERY CENTER, INC.(MIRCI) HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE TO UNVEIL PLANS FOR PROJECT HEAT HOUSE

Leadership Columbia Class 2018 partners with MIRCI

COLUMBIA, S.C. – The Mental Illness Recovery Center, Inc. (MIRCI) is holding a press conference to celebrate the unveiling of the plans for Project HEAT located at 1813 Washington Street at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

MIRCI will unveil the exterior and interior housing plans for the 10-bedroom, 2900 square foot residential home. Guest speakers include representatives from the some of the project sponsors including the Nord Family Foundation, Wells Fargo, United Way of the Midlands, the SC State Housing Authority, SC Department of Mental Health, and the Columbia Chamber’s Leadership Columbia Class.

Project HEAT (Housing, Engagement, Access and Transition) is a new supportive housing program for males, age 17-24, in transition from homelessness to independent living. The home will fill a gap in available housing for male youth in transition in Columbia, SC and will benefit the community by creating a space to engage youth seeking shelter and services from qualified health professionals.

To help furnish the home, visit MIRCI’s registry online at <https://www.myregistry.com/giftlist/mirci>. For more information about Project HEAT and the new house please contact Julie Ann Avin, President at (803) 786-1844 ext. 102.

About MIRCI

MIRCI – the Mental Illness Recovery Center, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to assist individuals with mental illness to recover in the areas of their impacted by their illness through housing, behavioral healthcare, and assistance with obtaining and managing their disability income.

About Leadership Columbia

Leadership Columbia is an educational program offered through the Columbia Chamber. The 10-month program provides emerging and existing leaders in the Midlands area with an opportunity to enhance their civic knowledge and network. For over 40 years, Leadership Columbia has helped participants better understand the local community, while building relationships with the region's current and future leaders.

For more information on Leadership Columbia, visit www.columbiachamber.com or contact Charlotte Bian-Lingle at 803.733.1146.

About Columbia Chamber

The Columbia Chamber is a private, non-profit, partner-driven organization comprised of 1,200 business enterprises, civic organizations, educational institutions and individuals in Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry and Richland counties. The Columbia Chamber serves as the voice of its Partners and the business community at large on matters of economic, educational, social, cultural and political concern, as well as supports and promotes the success of its partners through networking, professional development, advocacy and leadership. The organization has represented the interests of the local business community since 1902.

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