

News Release

On October 6, 2008, Doug Evenson of Community Action Partnership of Greater St. Joseph received certification as a Housing Development Finance Professional (HDFP) from the National Development Council (NDC). Certification is a designation given to individuals who successfully complete an intensive housing development finance training series that is conducted by NDC. The courses provided individuals working the field of housing development with training in single-family home ownership finance, multi-family housing development finance, housing development finance including problem solving and deal structuring, and the creation and implementation of development programs.

The courses range from three to five days in length and end with a written review which must be passed before a certification candidate is allowed to continue in the HDFP program. When a candidate has completed the entire three-week series, a comprehensive examination is given.

The New York based National Development Council was established in 1972 and is a private non-profit corporation, which specializes in economic/housing development training and technical assistance for economic/housing development. NDC has provided training to approximately 20,000 development people working in the field of economic and housing development. Participants come from many diverse groups: city and state governments, public agencies, community-based organizations, professional organizations, bankers, etc.

Community Action Partnership of Greater St. Joseph (CAPSTJOE) is a private not for profit agency serving Andrew, Buchanan, Clinton and DeKalb Counties in Northwest Missouri. Helping people, changing lives and ending poverty defines the agency's mission and purpose. CAPSTJOE serves thousands of families always with a goal of helping them achieve self-sufficiency. We work with the entire community to find solutions to poverty.

With more than 12 years experience in real estate, including property management, appraisal, brokerage, and development, Doug Evenson is able to apply this experience to his current position as Director of Housing Development at Community Action Partnership. Doug's responsibilities include new housing development projects throughout Northwest Missouri, the management of six company owned rental properties, researching and applying for operating grants for existing and future housing programs, and to continue forming and strengthening partnerships within the communities the agency currently serves. At CAPSTJOE, it is the housing department's goal to help provide safe and decent living conditions for low- to moderate-income individuals. Since 1999, the agency has been able help create more than 400 units of safe, quality decent housing for low- to moderate-income households. For more information regarding the housing department please feel free to contact Doug at 816-233-8281.