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Emergency Electrical Reconnect Priority for Codes & Building Safety



Emergency Electrical Reconnect

Priority for Codes & Building Safety

Experiencing power outages is no fun and presents many real problems if not addressed quickly.

If an emergency occurs and there is a need to perform an “electrical” reconnect, Metro Codes and Building Safety provides 24 hour –seven day a week assistance for all emergency electrical service reconnect calls .

In fact, last year, our staff performed 185 emergency reconnect inspections. In 2007 there were 169 and in 2008 there 110. This shows there is a definite need for such service.

“When the power goes out, we are on call 24 hours per day, seven days per week, ready to make certain that an electrical reconnection is performed in a safe manner,” Terry Cobb, Director of Codes and Building Safety said. “It’s a service the professionals are well aware of, but I suspect the general public isn’t aware of our role in this type of emergency situation.”

“Emergency Reconnects” are emergencies that must be addressed when there are power outages or destruction of electrical services. These normally include:

- Thunderstorms, windstorms, hailstorms, snowstorms or ice storms
- Prolonged freezing temperatures
- Fires
- Explosions
- Vehicular crashes into buildings

Of course other catastrophes (tornado, earthquake, building collapse and similar situations) require immediate response.

“If you operate a business and for some reason your power is lost during the night or over the weekend, you have an expectation of being able to reopen for business as scheduled. It’s our job to make sure you are able to reopen safely after the electrical problems have been professionally repaired,” Cobb said.

The Codes and Building Safety Electrical Inspection Division, works as an emergency working unit.

Here is how it works:

The property owners’ responsibility begins at the point of the property where Nashville Electric Service connects the (service drop wires) that are run from the NES pole and transformer to the owner’s building or house and connects to the service wires that are going into the owner’s service riser and meter base where the NES meter is installed.

Any damage to the electrical system from this point to the electrical breaker panel or fuse box must be repaired by a licensed electrical contractor at the owner’s expense.

If there is damage at the structure and the property owner has to secure the services of a licensed contractor the following steps must be taken to have electrical power reconnected by Nashville.

Electric Service:

Secure the services of a licensed electrical contractor in Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County to make the necessary repairs to the electrical system.

After the electrical contractor has completed his work he will contact the Metro Codes Electrical Inspector who is on duty and request an electrical inspection.

When the electrical inspector arrives at the requested location he will inspect the work that has been repaired by the electrical contractor. If the inspector approves the work that has been completed the inspector will fill out a yellow approval card with the date, address, and his name that shows he has inspected and approved the repairs that have been made. The yellow card will be attached to the meter base. As soon as the electrical inspector has approved the work required a release number will be issued to Nashville Electric Service emergency line department to restore the electrical power.

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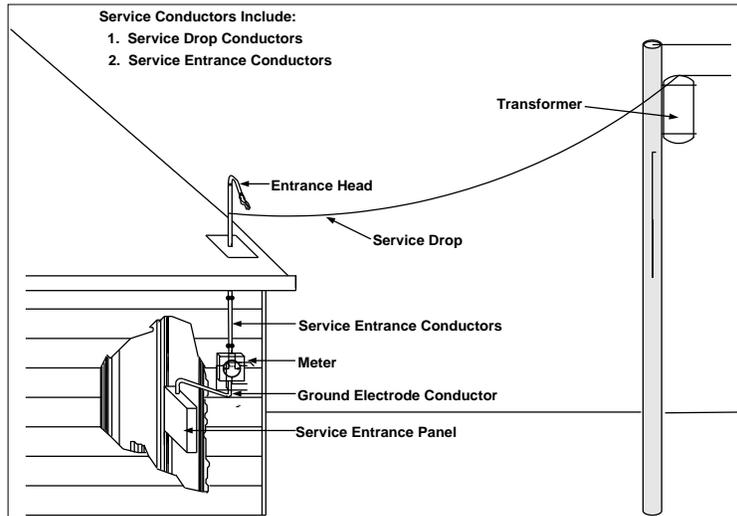
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If the electrical inspector rejects the work done by the contractor, the inspector will place a red tag (rejection notice) on the meter base. The inspector will call the contractor and tell the contractor what corrections must be made for the repairs to be approved. When the electrical contractor has completed and corrected the items that were rejected the contractor will request a reinspection.

In addition, Codes and Building Safety maintains an emergency electrical reconnect plan in the event of an extreme emergency that would go far beyond the normal working plan of a day-to-day emergency. In the event that several thousand electrical services were to be damaged or destroyed, the emergency plan can be quickly executed.

The first phase of alert when this type of emergency occurs is set up to direct contact communications with the Mayor's Office, the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), Nashville Electric Service, the Metropolitan Police and Fire Departments and local news media outlets. Then, Codes and Building Safety deploys necessary administrative staff as well as inspectors to operate the office and respond to all requests for service, regardless of the day or hour.



Service Connection Illustration

Questions, comments or suggestions about this emergency reconnect plan should be directed to the Codes and Building

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WEST TO BE HONORED BY NAIOP



Lon" Sonny" West will be honored in February with the prestigious "Legacy Award" by the Nashville Chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties (NAIOP), Commercial Real Estate Development Association.

West, Zoning Administrator for the Department of Codes and Building Safety has served for more than 50 years in various positions with Metro Government.

involved in the design, development, planning and market success of office, industrial, and mixed use properties. The mission of the Nashville Chapter of NAIOP is to enhance business opportunities for our members, provide a forum for continuing education, to advance our profession and industry and provide civic leadership as a responsible and valuable asset of our community.

West will be honored at NAIOP Awards Gala to be held at Hutton Hotel on February 25th.

Previous winners include Steve Turner, Perry Ozburn, Frank L. Smith, Albert Buckley Jr. and Charles W. Hawkins.

NAIOP is a local organization with national resources, committed to excellence in the commercial real estate market. Its membership includes individuals in-

The First Line of Defense

WHEN IT COMES TO PROTECTING THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, DOCTORS CAN'T HOLD A CANDLE—OR WRENCH—TO PLUMBERS

Story by Geoff Bilau

Several years ago, Elizabeth Ann Volkens was assigned a high school report profiling the profession of one of her parents. The daughter of IAPMO board member Fred Volkens told her teacher she'd like to write about her father, a plumber.

"Her teacher said, 'But your mom's a nurse. Do that instead,'" Volkens recalls. "She didn't think a report about a plumber would be all that interesting. She just thought of the guy who comes out to unclog the drain or fix the pipe."

Elizabeth Ann was undeterred, however, and her completed report earned her not only high marks, but a heartfelt apology from her teacher, who admitted she learned more about the plumbing profession than she had ever expected.

"She never considered all of the infrastructure that goes in before that pipe gets clogged, nor the health benefit that good plumbing ensures," Volkens says. It had not occurred to her that a great deal of the work performed by plumbers actually prevents the very maladies that are treated by doctors and nurses.

That teacher was not alone in her limited perspective, of course. Plumbers have long battled against simple stereotypes while performing vital work that is frequently taken for granted.

"There's so much negative out there about plumbers: butt crack jokes, we charge too much ... but what price do you place on your health?" Volkens asks. "Isn't it important that somebody knows what he or she is doing?"

Some Background

If history is any indicator, the answer to that question is yes. The Romans are generally credited with developing and refining the first plumbing systems, moving enormous amounts of water via their famed aqueducts, but even with their advances, sanita-

tion was more of an afterthought than a specified purpose. It would be several hundred more years before science would uncover the threat of bacteria and disease that existed in the stagnant, unfiltered waters of the Roman public baths.

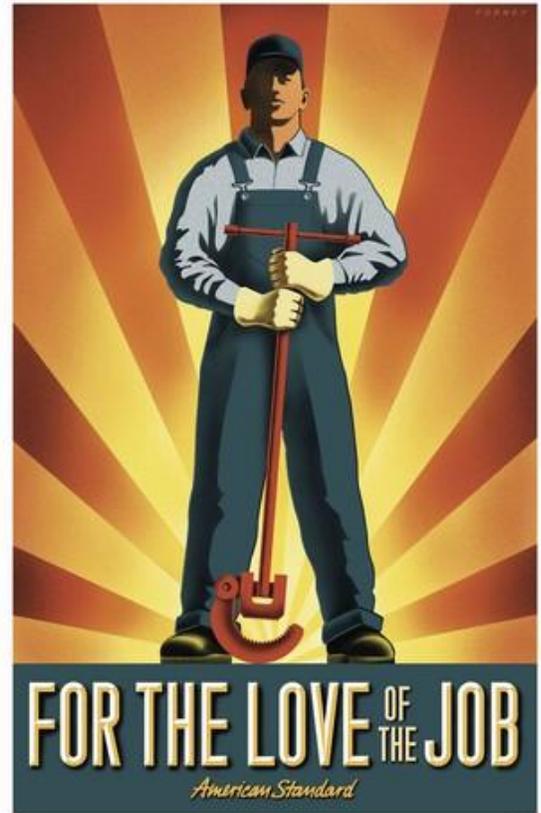
Still, the Romans did develop the sewer, which improved sanitation around the home — while unfortunately turning the rivers into cess-pools.

The fall of the Roman Empire, however, took sanitation back to its most rudimentary levels and ushered in the Dark Ages and the Black Plague. One-third of the population of Europe was wiped out as flea-ravaged vermin ran rampant in man's filth. In successive years, dysentery, typhus and typhoid epidemics were even more directly born of poor sanitation practices. The latter, however, did afford one plumber to distinguish himself as more than a guy who unclogs the pipes.

In 1871, the son of England's Queen Victoria, Edward, succumbed to typhoid fever, the same disease believed to have killed his father 10 years earlier. As luck would have it, a plumber discovered a contamination in the pipes of a newly installed water closet. He fixed the problem and Edward survived. Popularity of the indoor water closet soared as this news spread, promulgating the competence of plumbers and their wares.

In January 2007, the British Medical Journal released the results of a survey it conducted to determine the greatest medical milestone of the preceding 167 years, dating back to the journal's first publication in 1840. In an upset, sanitation received the most votes, outpacing medical breakthroughs like antibiotics and anesthesia.

"The general lesson, which still holds, is that passive protection against health hazards is often the best way to improve population health," said Johan Mackenbach of



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Erasmus University Medical Centre in Rotterdam in the Jan. 19, 2007, issue of the Guardian about the results of the survey.

A not-So-Subtle Reminder

Early in the 20th century, American plumbers began to adopt a slogan as both a point of professional pride and a public reminder of the important role they play: "The Plumber Protects the Health of the Nation." And for a time, when plumbers were rebuilding and revitalizing the country's infrastructure as part of the Works Progress Administration, that fact seemed plainly evident to most Americans. The downfall was, perhaps, that things got working so well, and the public was protected so efficiently, people forgot how it got and remained that way.

One need only look outside our borders, however, to rediscover the vital importance of plumbers. In a country like the United States, where safe plumbing practices are governed by codes and standards and implemented by licensed, highly skilled personnel, it's much easier to take these things for granted. But in a developing nation like India, where waterborne disease continues to threaten the public, the effects are much more readily apparent.

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“Plumbing is a profession with direct relevance to the health and safety of the citizens,” said Sudhakaran Nair, president of the Indian Plumbing Association, in an article on the Website clskillschool.com. “As high as 7.5 percent of deaths in India are attributed to water and sanitation related causes; 88 percent of diarrhea cases worldwide are due to unsafe water and inadequate sanitation and hygiene. The World Health Organization has acknowledged that the SARS virus that caused havoc in the Asian countries a few years back, causing hundreds of deaths and billions of dollars in expenditures, was spread through inadequate plumbing.

A September 2001 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency white paper titled “Potential Contamination Due to Cross-Connections and Backflow and the Associated Health Risks” detailed the frequency and magnitude of water related health incidents in the United States since 1900. Among its findings:

“From 1981 to 1998, [the] CDC documented 57 waterborne disease outbreaks related to cross-connections, resulting in 9,734 illnesses. These include 20 outbreaks (6,333 cases of illness) caused by microbiological contamination, 15 outbreaks (679 cases of illness) caused by chemical contamination, and 22 outbreaks (2,722 cases of illness) where the contaminant was not reported.

There are provisions in the codes and standards that govern plumbing implements and installations that protect against:

- ▶ Waterborne disease, contaminates
- ▶ Lead poisoning
- ▶ Scalding
- ▶ Hair entrapment and drowning
- ▶ Disembowelment via suction
- ▶ Hazardous building damage due to flooding
- ▶ Electrocutation
- ▶ Asphyxiation and toxic gas exposure
- ▶ Explosion
- ▶ Lacerations
- ▶ Loss of balance, slippage
- ▶ Premature product failure

Each and every one a potential malady that could send someone to an emergency room or worse.

“Craun and Calderon (2001) report that 30.3 percent of waterborne disease outbreaks in community water systems during 1971-1998 were caused by contamination of water in the distribution systems. Of these waterborne disease outbreaks caused by distribution system deficiencies, 50.6 percent were due to cross-connection and backflow.”

Just fewer than 10,000 waterborne illnesses over a 17-year span in a nation of 300 million speaks volumes to the preventive work of plumbing professionals. How much higher would that figure be without the infrastructure they install and maintain and the codes and standards that ensure its safety?



“The plumber is the nation’s health worker. His skill level — or lack thereof — can have serious implications to the society at large.”

**SUDHAKARAN NAIR
PRESIDENT OF THE INDIAN
PLUMBING ASSOCIATION**

Dr. Lewis Thomas, medical author and former president of New York’s Sloan Kettering Cancer Research Center, wrote in *The Foreign Policy Journal*, Spring 1984: “There is no question that our health has improved spectacularly in the past century. One thing seems certain: It did not happen because of improvements in medicine, or medical science, or even the presence of doctors; much of the credit should go to the plumbers and sanitary engineers of the western world.

“The contamination of drinking water was at one time the single greatest cause of human disease and death for us. It remains so, along with starvation and malaria, for the third world. Typhoid fever, cholera and dysentery were the chief threats to survival in the early part of the 19th century. Today, cholera is unheard of in this country. It would surely reappear if not for sanitary plumbing practices.”

For Fred Volkers and his fellow plumbing professionals, such words are music to their ears — but it’s essentially preaching to the choir.

These guys already understand just how misunderstood their profession is.

“That publicity has got to get out there,” Volkers says. “People don’t understand it. On inspections, the number of homeowners who have done things themselves that cause cross connections is unreal. They think they’re saving themselves a few bucks, but they’re putting themselves and everybody else in their neighborhood at risk.”

Thankfully, there’s usually a plumber around to fix things before anybody faces the consequences. What Volkers hopes these families and their neighbors will someday understand, however, is that he’s been there the whole time.

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Construction Activities for Music City Center Underway

Construction activities for Nashville's new downtown convention center are scheduled to begin the week of Feb. 1. The Music City Center Team has developed a new web page and created a Twitter account to inform downtown business owners and patrons of the impacts project construction will have on parking and street closures.

The 16-acre site for Music City Center, located south of Broadway, is comprised of 43 individual parcels, most of which have already been acquired by the Metropolitan Development & Housing Authority. Work on the site will begin in phases, starting with the parcels Metro already owns. During the week of Feb. 1, concrete barriers and fencing will be placed around the perimeters of these parcels. Utilities at these sites will be turned off and abatement and demolition of existing buildings will begin.

"Our goal is to construct this facility safely, efficiently, and with the least amount of disruption to downtown traffic and businesses," said Gary Schalmo, project director and senior vice president of Bell/Clark, the construction management team for Music City Center.

Parking

Public parking facilities within the boundaries of the Music City Center site will be permanently closed once the parcels are acquired and construction begins. Beginning the week of Feb. 1, the surface parking lots already owned by Metro will be closed.

The Music City Center Team is working closely with the Nashville Downtown Partnership to ensure other parking options are made available. To find alternative parking locations and the most affordable parking downtown, visit www.parkitdowntown.com.

Street Closures

Several streets will be closed during part or all of the Music City Center construction. Starting February 8, 2010, a portion of Demonbreun Street between Seventh and Eighth Avenues will be closed for approximately 2-4 weeks for underground utility relocation. Once work between Seventh and Eighth Avenues is complete, a portion of Demonbreun Street between Seventh and Sixth Avenues will be closed to allow the utility relocation to continue.

During this time, Demon-

breun Street is expected to remain open to two-way traffic. However, depending on the scope of the utility relocation, all lanes on Demonbreun between Seventh and Eighth Avenues may have to close for some period of time. In that case, traffic would be detoured through the construction site.

Once all of the parcels within the Music City Center site are acquired, several streets will be closed for the duration of construction:

- Sixth Avenue South from Demonbreun to Shirley / Franklin Street
- Seventh Avenue South from Demonbreun to Shirley / Franklin Street
- Clark Place at Eighth Avenue South
- Shirley / Franklin Street: Portions will be open to local traffic only. No through traffic.
- Eastbound turning lane on Demonbreun between Fifth and Sixth Avenues

As a result of the long-term street closures, all streets and alleys between Shirley / Franklin Street and Peabody Street will become dead end streets, accessible to local traffic only. Sixth Avenue South will become a two-way street between Shirley / Franklin Street and Peabody Street, also accessible to local traffic only. All sidewalks on the perimeter of the site also will be closed.

For detailed maps of parking and street closures, visit www.nashvillemusiccitycenter.com. For more frequent updates, follow the Music City Center Team on Twitter @NashvilleMCC.

Questions or concerns about the Music City Center construction plans can be sent to musiccitycenter@nashville.gov.



For more information about street closures and updates on the project, go to the MCC website at

www.nashvillemusiccitycenter.com.



VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Vanderbilt University Construction Management Program Presents Sustainable Buildings: Progress, Practice and Challenges

Terry Cobb, Director of Codes and Building Safety will be participating in “Sustainable Buildings: Progress, Practice and Challenges”, a special program will be presented by Vanderbilt University Construction Management Program on Tuesday, March 9, 2010.

According to the university, local as well as national sustainability leaders (who have already incorporated this movement into their designs, construction practices and building operations) will be on the program to share their thoughts and views on the topic.

The program will include:

- ▶ **Empire State Building Retrofit Case Study** with Paul Rode, Johnson Controls and Dana Schneider, Jones Lang LaSalle
- ▶ **LEED for Existing Buildings Operations and Maintenance** (LEED-EB O&M) by Eric Sheffer, Senior Project Manager, SSRcx, LLC
- ▶ Panel Discussion: **LEED for Existing Buildings – Successes and the Process** with James D. Qualk, Moderator, SSRcx, Steve Zanolini, Caterpillar Financial, Brooke Nicholson, Crescent Resources, and Tab Goodman, SSRcx,
- ▶ **National and International Trends in Green Healthcare Buildings** by Walt Vernon, President, MAZZETTI NASH

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- ▶ Panel Discussion: **Vanderbilt University Sustainable Building Program** with Tara Myers, Moderator, Earl Swensson Associates, Inc., Keith Loiseau, Vanderbilt University, Baird Dixon, Street Dixon Rick Architecture, David Bailey, Hastings Architecture Associates, Joe Braden, American Constructors, Inc., Walker Mathews, R.C. Mathews Contractor, Paul McCown, SSRcx, Stephen Clinton, SSRcx
- ▶ **Nashville Green Building Initiatives** with presentations from Terrence L. Cobb, Director, Metro Department of Codes & Building Safety and Bill Young, Executive Vice President, AGC of Tennessee
- ▶ **Sustainable Building Incentive Programs** with Elena Babaeva Coradini, Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis
- ▶ **Legal Issues in Sustainable Building** presented by Vic L. McConnell, Partner, Smith Cashion & Orr and Greg L. Cashion, Partner, Smith Cashion & Orr
 - ▶ The Green Standard of Care
 - ▶ Managing Green Building Risks

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Nordstroms Comes to Nashville

Seattle-based Nordstrom, Inc., a leading fashion specialty retailer, has begun construction on its first Nashville store at The Mall at Green Hills. The three-level, 149,000-square-foot store is scheduled to open in fall 2010 and is actually the first Nordstrom in the state.

“We are thrilled to make our debut in Tennessee at this extraordinary location,” said Erik Nordstrom, president of stores for Nordstrom. “The Mall at Green Hills is a premier shopping destination and we look forward to serving our customers in Nashville and in surrounding areas.”

“We are very pleased that Nordstrom has selected The Mall at Green Hills for its first location within the state of Tennessee,” said Robert Perlmutter, managing partner of Davis Street Land Company. “Nordstrom will be a terrific addition for the entire Nashville marketplace and illustrates our commitment to making The Mall at Green Hills the premier shopping destination in the region.”

The Mall at Green Hills currently contains 735,000 square feet of retail area anchored by Macy’s and Dillard’s. The shopping center currently features over 100 unique retailers and restaurants including Tiffany & Co., Louis Vuitton, Restoration Hardware, Williams-Sonoma, BCBG MAXAZRIA, Lacoste, Cole Haan, Davis-Kidd Booksellers, Brooks Brothers, The Cheese-cake Factory, Stuart Weitzman, Apple Store, Betsey Johnson, J. Crew and Bebe.

Nordstrom, Inc. is one of the nation’s leading fashion specialty retailers, with 159 stores located in 28 states. Founded in 1901 as a shoe store in Seattle, today Nordstrom operates 105 full-line stores, 50 Nordstrom Racks, two Jeffrey boutiques, one freestanding shoe store and two clearance stores. Nordstrom also serves customers through its online presence at www.nordstrom.com and through its catalogs.

Cities of Service and Rockefeller Foundation Award First-Ever Leadership Grant to Nashville on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Grant to Fund Chief Service Officer Position to Lead Local Efforts to Increase Volunteerism

Cities of Service and the Rockefeller Foundation has announced the winners of the first-ever Cities of Service Leadership grants. As one of the 10 winning cities, Nashville will receive the \$200,000 two-year grant, funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, to hire a Chief Service Officer dedicated to developing and implementing a citywide plan to increase volunteerism.

"I first learned of this funding opportunity when I joined Mayor Bloomberg in New York in September for the formation of Cities of Service. These are tight times for city budgets. This grant will allow us to have dedicated staff for developing service opportunities, something we wouldn't have been able to do otherwise. I look forward to engaging our citizens in our city's greatest needs and priorities, especially education," Nashville Mayor Karl Dean said.

Cities of Service is a bipartisan coalition of mayors from across the country, representing more than 38 million Americans in 80 cities, dedicated to engaging more Americans in service and channeling volunteers toward each city's most pressing challenges.

Each of the winners displayed a strong commitment to service and outlined thoughtful, thorough, and creative approaches to expanding local opportunities for volunteers to make an impact in their city. Of the ten grant recipients, five are founding members of the Cities of Service coalition, including Nashville.

"I can think of no better way to celebrate the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.," said New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, co-founder of Cities of Service. "His words – as eloquent as you will ever find - were about more than our highest aspirations. They were also a call to action. That is something that mayors know well. We are the ones who confront challenges, day in and day out, and we have quickly learned that service is an important tool that we can use to solve local problems. These grants will quickly allow mayors to expand their local service opportunities and deepen their impact."

The Cities of Service Leadership grants will allow each city to hire a Chief Service Officer, a senior-ranking official who will develop and implement a citywide service plan by June 1, 2010. To do so, each Chief Service Officer will convene a strategic committee of service experts and stakeholders, conduct an assessment of existing service levels, and identify collaborative partnerships to deepen the effects of local volunteerism. By December 1, 2010, recipient cities must submit a progress report tracking the results of the comprehensive service plan and launch a website that allows both volunteers to search for service opportunities and service organizations seeking to engage citizens.

A selection committee – made up of the Rockefeller Foundation, national service experts, and city representatives – awarded the grants based upon the ability of the applicant to outline how they would: conduct an assessment of existing service levels; produce a coordinated citywide plan to increase service; engage local universities; and appoint a Chief Service Officer who would report directly to the Mayor or another high-ranking official in the administration. Applications were limited to members of the coalition in cities that have more than 100,000 residents, according to the 2000 census, and have at least one community college or

four-year public or private university. In total, 50 cities applied for a leadership grant.



Mayor Dean Joins NYC Mayor Bloomberg and Others to Launch "Cities of Service"

Mayor Dean joined New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg on September 10 along with mayors from 16 cities across the country to launch Cities of Service, a bipartisan coalition of mayors representing more than 20 million Americans, who will work together to engage their citizens in volunteer service. The founding mayors met for a half-day summit at Gracie Mansion where they signed a Declaration of Service, a commitment to finding new ways to tap the power of volunteers to address each city's most pressing challenges.

About Cities of Service

Founded in New York City on September 10, 2009 with 17 initial member cities, Cities of Service is a bipartisan coalition of Mayors who have answered the historic Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act's call to action. Cities – often at the front lines of our nation's most pressing challenges - are perfectly positioned to work together to engage millions more volunteers in service and develop strategies to increase the amount and impact of local service efforts. All coalition members have signed a "Declaration of Service," committing to work together to lead a multi-year effort to expand community service and volunteerism by:

- Developing a comprehensive service plan and a coordinated strategy focused on matching volunteers and established community partners to the areas of greatest local need;
- Working with other Mayors and elected officials to advance strategies and best practices that accelerate the service movement and produce measurable results;
- Encouraging other Mayors to join this national effort to engage our citizens; and
- Ensuring that the voice of cities is heard in federal legislative, policy, and program discussions related to service, which will help the country achieve the ambitious goals of the Serve America Act.

The coalition has rapidly grown since its inception in September and now has 80 Mayors, representing more than 38 million Americans in 80 cities across the nation. The coalition includes seven of the 10 largest cities in the country and 28 of the top 50.

More information about the coalition can be found at www.citiesofservice.org.

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Save The Date—Codes Announces Annual Golf Tournament

The 14th Annual Metro Codes Charity Golf Tournament will be held on October 2, 2010 at the Ted Rhodes Golf Course.

Last year's tournament, through the support of 128 golfers and 99 sponsors, resulted in yet a new record \$23,000 being donated to three local charities through the Metro Employees Consolidated Charities Campaign (MECCC).

This year, all proceeds will again go to the MECCC for the benefit of local charities.



Codes Makes MECCC Contribution

Mayor Karl Dean accepts \$23,000 check from Carla Langley-Smith and Terry Cobb as a part of Codes & Building Safety's 2009 contribution to the Metropolitan Employees Combined Charities Campaign.