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Margaret Mead - "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has."

KEY NEW RESOURCE TO IMPROVE CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOODS FROM THE INSIDE OUT

October 13, 2008 Chicago, IL - Builders Center of Chicago (BCC), a south side real estate developer, in conjunction with the South Shore Clergy Committee of Chicago has produced **The Chicago Block Club Manual**, a guide to organizing and growing a local block club. The manual contains specifics from election to the block's board, to contact information for local leaders. Using the manual, the clergy committee will assist local residents to take back their neighborhood. Copies of the Manual are available by contacting BCC offices at 773-751-5151.

"We are dedicated to taking back the streets block by block", said Eugene Zahrkin, Partner at BCC.

During a quick drive around the South Side, one can see areas displaying signs proudly proclaiming the existence of their local block club. BCC has found that block clubs with involved residents create better neighborhoods. Pastor Kennie Delt of Higher Love Ministries noted, "South Shore has many problems with crime, and poverty heading the list. Yet the neighborhood also has many good people and this guide will help them to organize and take back their neighborhood." Home ownership also strengthens the neighborhood, and BCC has programs to assist residents in traveling the road to ownership with the Road to Ownership program (www.road2ownership.com).

The guide will be part of BCC's participation at the 7th Ward Community Resource Meeting at be held at the Rainbow Beach Fieldhouse on October 21st from 6-8pm. The Manual will also be introduced to all the local clergy at the monthly meeting of South Shore clergy to be held at the Zion Temple Church of Christ, 2517 E. 83rd St at noon

BCC has South Shore properties on Coles, Clyde and Yates Avenues in the up and coming South Shore community, as well as others in Bronzeville and North Kenwood. The renewed focus on Chicago's South Shore and the coming renaissance for real estate in the area is noted on the web site, www.Last4Miles.com.

Builders Center of Chicago was established by a group of social entrepreneurs to meet all a buyer's real estate needs under one roof. BCC, a mostly family owned and operated business, creates synergies between professionals for a most effective result. With builders and real estate patrons in mind, Builders Center of Chicago demands the highest level of professionalism and customer service from all companies operating in their centers. BCC is intricately involved in the communities it serves sharing its specific knowledge and expertise with community leaders. BCC Offices are at 2100 W. Irving Park Road and 4234 S Ellis. For information contact Jeff Heilbrunn 773-751-5175. For a tour of current properties, visit our South Side office at 946 E 43rd Street or visit www.BuildersOfChicago.com or www.Last4Miles.com

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