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Youngstown 2010: Neighborhoods to air on PBS 45 & 49

KENT, Ohio — Sept. 11, 2008 — The city of Youngstown's efforts to revitalize its neighborhoods are featured in the 15th installment of PBS 45 & 49's **Youngstown 2010** series. **Youngstown 2010: Neighborhoods** will air on Monday, Sept. 15 at 10:30 p.m.

The program, hosted by news reporter Cynthia Barnes, is a half-hour conversation with local leaders about changes that are both under way and forthcoming in the neighborhoods of Idora, the Garden District and Hope Six. The project is a component of the larger Youngstown 2010 citywide plan that provides a foundation for the city's future.

Providing insight into the project's progress are these civic and business leaders:

- Bill D'Avignon, director of community development and planning for the city of Youngstown
- Paul Hagman, project manager of Faniro Architects
- Gary Wakeford, president of Syncro Medical Innovations, a company that moved from Macon, Ga., to Youngstown

The PBS 45 & 49 **Youngstown 2010** series is funded by the Tony Lariccia family of Youngstown. The next episode in the series, **Youngstown 2010: Education**, discusses how educators are working in partnership with city leaders to elevate young minds. The hour-long program will air on Tuesday, Oct. 26 at 10 p.m.

Past installments of the **Youngstown 2010** series are available as free video on demand online at pbs4549.org/ytow2010.htm. For more about the Youngstown 2010 plan, visit the project's Web site at <http://youngstown2010.com>.

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