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Envision Cayce Facts

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – A news report Sunday, August 14 addressed MDHA's plans to revitalize Cayce Place and its educational component.

Here are some of the facts on Envision Cayce:

- In 2013, MDHA began the planning process for the redevelopment of Cayce Place and neighboring CWA Plaza Apartments. After 18-months of research, surveys, focus groups and more than 40 community meetings with Cayce residents, neighbors and community members, the Envision Cayce Master Plan was developed.
- A mixed-income, mixed-use community, the Plan calls for 2,390 units and ensures a one-for-one replacement of Cayce Place and CWA Plaza Apartments, while adding both new affordable and market-rate housing. The Plan also calls for 11 acres of active green space, new educational opportunities and other amenities such as a new health center, pharmacy, grocery, library and retailers.
- In May 2016, MDHA Board of Commissioners approved Explore! School as the new school for Envision Cayce. MDHA Board Chair Ralph Mosley did not recuse himself from the vote because he did not vote. As chair of the board, Mosley only cast a vote if there is a tie. Prior to the board vote, the school, which had been approved by the school board, was discussed at length during multiple public meetings. MDHA decided to partner with Martha O'Bryan Center because the organization has been a staple in the Cayce community for decades and has built positive relationship with Cayce families for education, job training and other social services.
- MDHA is committed to working with Metro Nashville Public Schools to provide the best educational opportunities possible for present and future residents of Cayce Place and CWA Plaza Apartments, and has relayed that commitment to a member of the school board who inquired after the Sunday story was published.

About the Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency

Established in 1938, MDHA houses more than 13,000 families primarily through public housing and Section 8. It also manages federally-funded community development and homeless assistance programs on behalf of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville. To foster urban growth, MDHA oversees 12 redevelopment districts that guide development through design and land-use zoning controls. Additional information about MDHA can be found on www.nashville-mdha.org, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Google+](#).

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