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### Missouri Council of the Blind to Hold Blind Pension Settlement Workshops Throughout the State

During the months of August and September, the Missouri Council of the Blind and the St. Louis University School of Law will sponsor a series of workshops for recipients of Blind Pension and Supplemental Aid to the Blind who may be owed reimbursement by the State.

Close relatives may also wish to attend. Attorneys and representatives from the Missouri Council of the Blind will all be present at these workshops to provide information and assist individuals in filling out any necessary paperwork for a claim.

"the claims process has proven very complex in certain situations and difficult for many to understand," says Christopher Gray, Executive Director, Missouri Council of the Blind. "in these workshops, we will provide all the necessary details and assist blind individuals with all the required paperwork."

These seminars are provided at no charge.

We strongly encourage any blind person or next of kin of a deceased blind person to attend one of these helpful workshops.

Please see the following schedule of workshop times/places.

**Thursday, August 16, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**  
St. Louis University School of Law  
100 North Tucker, Room 116, St. Louis, MO 63101  
Chris Gray 314-832-7172

**Monday, August 20, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**  
Concordia Luthern Church Gymnasium  
836 Park Ave., Sikeston, MO 63801  
Wanda Matlock 573-379-3880

**Tuesday, August 21, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**  
St. Charles Community Library - Spencer Road Branch  
Community Commons- Barnes-Jewish Event Room #243  
427 Spencer Rd., St. Peters, MO 63376  
Denny Huff 636-428-1500

**Thursday, August 23, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**  
West Central Independent Living Center (WILS)  
1800 W. Main St., Sedalia, MO 65301  
Linda Gerken 660-826-1690

**Monday, August 27, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**  
Southwest Center for Independent Living (SCIL)  
2864 S. Nettleton Ave., Springfield, MO 65807  
Louise Lathrop 417 619-1309

**Tuesday, August 28, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**

Independent Living Center, Inc.  
2639 E. 34th Street, Joplin, MO 64804  
Chip Hailey 417-659-8086

**Thursday, August 30, 2018 4:00 to 7:00 PM**

Services for Independent Living  
1401 Hathman Pl., Columbia, MO 65201  
Leslie Anderson 573-874-1646

**Wednesday, September 5, 2018 2:00 to 7:00 PM**

Alphapointe  
7501 Prospect Ave., KC., MO 64132  
Clay Berry 816-421-5848

**Friday, September 14, 2018 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

Missouri Council of the Blind  
5453 Chippewa St.  
St. Louis, MO 63109  
Chris Gray 314-832-7172

***Light refreshments will be available.***

The Missouri Council of the Blind is the largest organization of blind people in Missouri, representing about 700 blind individuals. It is headquartered in St. Louis Missouri and comprised of 23 local affiliated organizations.