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FREE VHDA HOMEOWNERSHIP CLASSES SET FOR NORTHERN VIRGINIA IN JULY

RICHMOND, Va. – Are you interested in becoming a homeowner but don't know where to begin? The Virginia Housing Development Authority and local nonprofits are offering free homeownership education classes throughout July 2009 in the Northern Virginia region.

Homeownership education classes cover topics including credit issues, personal finances, home inspections and the role of lenders and real estate agents. In addition to helping home buyers understand the home buying process, the completion of a homeownership education class is now required of all borrowers before applying for a VHDA home loan.

Attend one of the many free sessions below to learn about the advantages of homeownership.

ALEXANDRIA

- July 11, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway. For more information, contact Thelma Brown Irma Garcia at (703) 372-5440. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**
- July 11, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway. For more information, contact Pansy Delfi at (703) 372-5440.
- July 11, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway. For more information, contact Dorette Cunningham at (703) 246-5264.

ARLINGTON

- July 11, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Walter Reed Center, 2909 S. 16th St. For more information, contact Karen Serfis or Stephanie Nagy at (703) 527-3854.

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- July 11, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Walter Reed Center, 2909 S. 16th St. For more information, contact Ritha Gutierrez at (703) 527-3854. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**
- July 18, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. For more information, contact Gabriel Torres at (703) 556-8600 ext. 723. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**

FAIRFAX

- July 1 and 8, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Room 2/3. For more information, contact Dorette Cunningham at (703) 246-5264.
- July 11, 2009 from 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the Fairfax City Regional Library, 10360 N. St. For more information, contact Deanna Woo at (202) 256-4494.

FALLS CHURCH

- July 25, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Hispanic Committee of Virginia, 5827 Columbia Pike, Suite 200. For more information, contact Ivan Linero at (703) 671-5666 ext. 25. **This class is exclusively taught in Spanish.**

FREDERICKSBURG

- July 21, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Central VA Housing Coalition, 208 Hudgins Rd. For more information, contact Don Willis at (540) 604-9943.

FRONT ROYAL

- July 8 and 15, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Blue Ridge Housing Network, 115 Chester St. For more information, contact Lorie Noakes at (540) 622-2711.

HERNDON

- July 18, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St. For more information, contact J. Martin Rios at (571) 323-1438.

MANASSAS

- July 11, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Sudley North Government Building, 7987 Ashton Ave. For more information, contact Valerie Jones-Washington at (703) 792-6287.

WOODBRIIDGE

- July 18, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Ferlazzo Building, 15941 Donald Curtis Dr. For more information, contact Charlene Watkins at (703) 580-8838, ext. 04.

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- July 25, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Ferlazzo Building, 15941 Donald Curtis Dr. For more information, contact Valerie Jones-Washington at (703) 792-6287.

For a complete listing of VHDA's Homeownership Classes, please visit www.vhdafreeclass.com . A complete listing is also available in Spanish at www.clasegratisvhda.com . Please call in advance to ensure homeownership classes have not been cancelled.

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