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***FREE VHDA HOMEOWNERSHIP CLASSES SET FOR
RICHMOND IN FEBRUARY***

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 February 2010 in the Richmond 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.

CHESTERFIELD

- February 16 and 18, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Oak Forest Baptist Church, 5101 Courthouse Rd. For more information, contact Kimberly Gillikin at (804) 778-7887.

GLEN ALLEN

- February 13, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Mount Vernon Baptist Church, 11220 Nuckols Rd. For more information, contact Rock White at (804) 521-8948.

RICHMOND

- February 6, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority, 200 Hospital St. For more information, contact Robert Jackson at (804) 780-4894.
- February 9, 2010 from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. and February 10, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Southside Community Development & Housing, 1624 Hull St. For more information, contact Reginald Mebane at (804) 231-4449.

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- February 11 and 18, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Randolph Community Center, 1415 Grayland Ave. For more information, contact Leonard Gray at (804) 448-9099. **You must attend both classes**
- February 13, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Chesterfield Towne Center Mall, (beside JC Penny), 11500 Midlothian Turnpike. For more information, contact Alfreda Wonson at (804) 869-3412.
- February 13, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St. For more information, contact J. Martin Rios at (571) 323-1438.
- February 13, 2010 from 10:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. at the Meadowdale Library, 4301 Meadowdale Blvd. For more information, contact Marlene Austin at (804) 437-1253.
- February 16 and 17, 2010 from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Virginia Housing Center at 4224 Cox Rd. For more information, contact Gary Meyer at (804) 545-4139. **You must attend both classes.**
- February 16 and 18, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Virginia Housing Development Authority, 601 S. Belvidere St. For more information, contact 1-877vhda123. **You must attend both classes.**
- February 20, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the East End Branch Richmond Public Library, 2414 R. St. For more information, contact Freda Bolling at (804) 225-9255.
- February 20, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Neighbor Works Resource Group, 2712 Chamberlayne Ave. For more information, contact Erika Payne at (804) 329-2500.
- February 20, 2010 from 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the North Park Library, 8508 Franconia Rd. For more information, contact Cornell Fraites at (804) 262-4876.
- February 22 and 23, 2010 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Kroger Center, 1021 Kroger Center Blvd. For more information, contact Jackie Johnson at (804) 898-1336. **You must attend both classes**

PETERSBURG

- February 6, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church/WPVA, 25720 Greensville Ave. For more information, contact Velma Nicholas at (804) 862-2436.

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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