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FREE VHDA HOMEOWNERSHIP EDUCATION CLASSES SET FOR NORTHERN VIRGINIA IN OCTOBER

Are you wondering how to navigate the home buying process but don't know where to start? The Virginia Housing Development Authority and local nonprofits are offering free homeownership education classes throughout October 2011 in the Northern Virginia region.

Homeownership education classes cover topics including personal finance, credit issues, the roles of lenders and real estate agents, the home inspection, and the closing process. 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.

ARLINGTON

- October 8, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Walter Reed Center, 2909 South 16th Street. For more information, contact Karen Serfis 703-527-3854.
- October 8, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Walter Reed Center (Spanish), 2909 South 16th Street. For more information, contact Ritha Gutierrez 703-527-3854. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**

VHDA Homeownership Education Class Topics

- Personal Finance
- Credit Issues
- Role of Lenders
- Role of Real Estate Agents
- The Closing Process
- Home Inspection

Sign up at www.vhda.com/freeclass

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FAIRFAX

- October 22, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Northern Virginia Association of Realtors, 8407 Pennell Street, Lower Level Training Room. For more information, contact Song Hutchins 301-760-7636.

FALLS CHURCH

- October 22, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Hispanic Committee Of Virginia , 5827 Columbia Pike, Suite 200. For more information, contact Jhoanna Zurita 703-671-5666, ext. 16. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**

HERNDON

- October 8, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Connections of Hope, 13525 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 103. For more information, contact Laura Gutierrez-Cabrera 703-956-6722, ext. 110. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish**
- October 22, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Connections of Hope, 13525 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 10. For more information, contact Laura Gutierrez-Cabrera 703-956-6722, ext. 110.

MANASSAS

- October 8, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Sudley North Government Building (Virginia Cooperative Extension), 7987 Ashton Avenue. For more information, contact Terre Boepple 703-792-4765.

STERLING

- October 25, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. and October 27, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place. For more information, contact Chris Vogel 703-777-0353. **You must attend both classes.**

WOODBRIIDGE

- October 15, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Ferlazzo Building (Virginia Cooperative Extension), 15941 Donald Curtis Drive. For more information, contact Terre Boepple 703-792-4765.

For a complete listing of VHDA's Homeownership Classes, please visit www.vhda.com/freeclass. 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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