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***FREE VHDA HOMEOWNERSHIP CLASSES SET FOR
RICHMOND IN MAY 2009***

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 May 2009 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.

GLEN ALLEN

- May 9, 2009 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.

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- May 2, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 25720 Greenville Ave. For more information, contact Pauline Bonner at (804) 732-1052.

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- May 2, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Richmond Redevelopment Housing Authority. For more information, contact Robert Jackson or Wanda Daniel at (804) 780-4884.
- May 7 and 14, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Randolph Community Center, 1415 Grayland Ave. For more information, contact Leonard Gray at (804) 448-9099.

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- May 9, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at NeighborWorks Resource Group, 2712 Chamberlayne Ave. For more information, contact Erika Payne at (804) 329-2500, ext. 125.
- May 9, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Chesterfield Towne Center, 11500 Midlothian Turnpike. For more information, contact Alfreda Wonson at (804) 869-3412.
- May 9, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Meadowdale Library, 4301 Meadowdale Blvd. For more information, contact Marlene Austin at (804) 437-1253.
- May 12 and 13, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Southside Community Development & Housing, 1624 Hull St. For more information, contact Reginald Mebane at (804) 231-4449.
- May 12 and 14, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Virginia Housing Development Authority, 601 South Belvidere St. For more information, call 1-877-VHDA-123.
- May 13 and 14, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Virginia Housing Center - Innsbrook, 4224 Cox Rd. For more information, contact Gary Meyer at 804-545-4139.
- May 16, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at New Deliverance Evangelistic Church, 1701 Turner Rd. For more information, contact Harriet Lee at (804) 276-2390.
- May 18 and 19, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Chesterfield Towne Center, 11500 Midlothian Turnpike. For more information, contact Marianne Weddington at (804) 330-9800.
- May 18 and 19, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Koger Center, 1021 Koger Center Blvd. For more information, contact Jackie Johnson at (804) 898-1336.
- May 23, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Second Baptist Church (Southside), 3300 Broad Rock Blvd. For more information, contact Delsena Sammons at (804) 304-3539.
- May 30, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 1400 Perry St. For more information, contact the VHDA Contact Center at (877) 843-2123. **This class is taught exclusively in Spanish.**

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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