

Workshop Schedule

To register for the workshops please call 510-238-3909

Rental Housing			
Time	Class	Presenters	Location
10:00-11:00	<p>Landlords: How to Comply with the Rent Ordinance Panel of experts discussing the City of Oakland's Rent Adjustment Ordinance, common pitfalls, and how to avoid them.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Moderator Barbara Kong-Brown, Esq, Hearing Officer, City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Program</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Panelist Greg McConnell, McConnell Group Steve Edrington, Executive Director, Rental Housing Association Clifford Fried, Wiegel and Fried</p>	Hearing Room 1
10:00-12:00	<p>Tenants: Your Rights Under Rent Control Laws Panel of experts discussing tenants rights under the City of Oakland's Rent Adjustment Ordinance.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Moderator Stephen Kasdin, Esq, Hearing Officer, City of Oakland Rent Adjustment Program</p> <p>Jesse Newmark; Staff Attorney, Centro Legal de la Raza James Vann; Affordable Housing Advocate & Co-founder, Oakland Tenants Union Jeffrey Carter, Tenant Attorney Anne Omura; Director, Eviction Defense Center</p>	Hearing Room 2
1:00-2:00	<p>Evictions and Just Cause from the Tenant and Landlord Perspective and Evictions After Foreclosure</p>	<p>Richard Illgen, Oakland City Attorney's Office Sheena Wadhawan, Oakland City Attorney's Office/Neighborhood Law Corps. Bruce Reeves, Private Attorney Laura Lane, East Bay Community Law Center Bill Segesta, Private Attorney Roxanne Romell, Private Attorney</p>	Hearing Room 2
Buying a Home			
Time	Class	Presenters	Location
10:15-11:15	<p>Steps to Buying a Home Overview of the home buying process including getting approved for a loan, making an offer on a property, professional inspections, and understanding escrow and title.</p>	<p>Lisa Harris, Community Lending Officer, Operation Hope Sandra Gate's-Anderson, Program Coordinator-Senior Housing Counselor, The Unity Council Homeownership Center Sara Perez, Account Executive, First American Title Company</p>	Hearing Room 3
11:30-12:30	<p>Home Purchase Assistance Programs Description of first-time homebuyer assistance programs offered by the City of Oakland, Emeryville, and other home purchase programs.</p>	<p>Christina Morales, Program Coordinator, City of Oakland Janet Anderson, Housing Program Coordinator, City of Emeryville Samuel L. Thompson, Loan Consultant, WAMU Other presenters TBD</p>	Hearing Room 3

1:00-2:00	<p>Buying Short-Sale and Foreclosed Properties Explanation of the difference between buying a property through a conventional transaction, short sale and foreclosure. Panel of real estate experts will provide their insight to negotiate these types of transactions and will be available for questions.</p>	<p>Stephen Beard, Real Estate Consultant & Accessibility Specialist, Keller Williams Realty Julie Cuellas, Realtor, Red Oak Realty Darrin Tinsley, Broker, First Realty</p>	Hearing Room 3
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Successful Homeownership

Time	Class	Presenters	Location
10:00-12:00 And 12:00-2:00	<p>Foreclosure Prevention & Intervention Strategies Topics covered include, the realities of the current real estate and financial markets, the real way refinancing works and why you may or may not be able to refinance out of your loan, current "affordable" refinance loan options, creating a realistic budget—the first step before you call your lender, working with your lender to modify your loan, when you cannot stay in your home—short sales, foreclosure, bankruptcy, & tax consequences, starting over—rebuilding your credit & your life</p>	<p>Sheri Powers, JD, MA Manager, The Unity Council Homeownership Center</p>	Council Chambers
10:00-11:00	<p>Home Rehabilitation Assistance Programs Residential Lending's Rehabilitation Programs overview including income limits, program descriptions and limitations.</p>	<p>Salud Dacumos Rudolph Thomas Residential Lending Staff, City of Oakland</p>	Hearing Room 4
11:30-12:30	<p>Home Repair and Safety Basic description of systems repair and rehabilitation. Topics: Roofing, seismic retrofitting, lead paint remediation, plumbing, electrical and mechanical repairs. Identifying deficient/hazardous conditions and incipient conditions.</p>	<p>Residential Rehabilitation Staff City of Oakland</p>	Hearing Room 4
1:00-2:00	<p>How to Hire and Work With a Contractor The do's and don'ts of hiring a rehabilitation contractor. License, insurance and related requirements. Checking references, complaints etc.</p>	<p>Contractors State License Board Staff</p>	Hearing Room 4
1:00-2:00	<p>When Refinancing Makes Sense This workshop will discuss the pros and cons of refinance, understanding basic loan products, how to make sure you are getting a good deal</p>	<p>Lisa Harris, Community Lending Officer, Operation Hope Ria Cotton, Mortgage Banking Leader, Wachovia</p>	Hearing Room 1