FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM CASH OUTS!

In the month of April three individuals graduated and "cashed out" of the Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS). Here are some highlights of their accomplishments:

- A total of $9,645 in debt reduction!
- The biggest cashout was $13,777!
- One participant had a $28,000 income increase!
- Two participants have zero debt!
- All three have joined homebuyers club!

This could be you!

FSS ORIENTATION DATES

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Call (720) 956-3807 to reserve your spot

2017 Homeownership Fair
June 24, 2017
Register here: http://bit.ly/2p1BmUA
**FSS DEBT REDUCTION SUCCESS!**

Debt collector's cause anxiety for everyone and Ms. O. was no exception. Responding to debt collector's intimidating tactics was an experience she tried her best to avoid, but as letters and calls became more serious Ms. O., an FSS client, knew she had to take action. She has been working on reducing her derogatory debt with the assistance of her FSS advisor. After calling a couple debt collector's with her FSS advisor, Ms. O. learned about her rights when working with debt collector's and the basics of how to effectively negotiate. Armed with confidence and knowledge Ms. O. is contacting debt collector's on her own and has reduced her derogatory debt by over $1378.24!

**DIGITAL LITERACY AT WESTRIDGE**

February was a big month for youth digital literacy at Westridge. Over 15 children from Westridge attended the first Youth Tech Hour at the Mulroy Technology Hub. They learned about homework-help websites and participated in Valentine's Day activities. Additionally, "Everyone On" ran a KANO Digital Literacy class, where 21 children from Westridge built their very own KANO computer and learned how to use it.

**CONNECTHOME SURVEY LEADS TO WINNING A TABLET!**

Binti Osman, a resident of North Lincoln and mother of 5, is the proud recipient of a 9" Android Tablet, courtesy of the technology company GitHub. She participated in a ConnectHome Denver Survey in January, and won the drawing for a WiFi capable tablet. The survey was distributed to North Lincoln Homes and North Lincoln Midrise residents with the goal of creating a technological profile of a DHA community. The survey results will help DHA get funding for more technology including computer labs, tablets, laptops, and WiFi. ConnectHome Denver wants to get computers and high-speed internet into the homes of Denver families to help kids be successful in school. Congratulations Binti and thank you for helping us plan for future tech opportunities at North Lincoln!
RCB ELECTIONS

RCB Elections are coming up and it is important that all LRC Voting Reps attend the May RCB meeting to vote. Elections will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 from 10:00AM – 12:00PM. Nominees are listed below:

President
Theresa Davis from Thomas Bean
Gloria Pope Johnson from Mt. View
Felix Martinez from Columbine
Steve Rael from North Lincoln Midrise

Vice-President
Melba Davis from North Lincoln Homes
Barbara Rodriguez from Mt. View

Secretary
Connie Cox from Casa Loma
Melissa Craig from Sun Valley
Phyllis Mack from Walsh Manor
Gina Villanueva from Hirschfeld
Lesa Webb from Tapiz

Treasurer
Josie Escamilla from Mt. View
Kong Lors from North Lincoln Midrise
Darrell Washington from Sun Valley

Sergeant-At-Arms
Bobbie Conway from Mulroy
Veronica Johnson from Westwood
Rene McClure from Hirschfeld
Bruce Tidaback from Walsh Annex

All terms are for two years.
Questions? Contact Tsehai, RCS Program Specialist at 720.932.3113.

RCB CONFERENCE RECAP

On Wednesday March 22nd, Mulroy hosted the RCB Healthy Communities Conference. Over 110 residents participated in the first conference of the year. Nine breakout sessions were offered that focused on healthy and vibrant living, eating, thinking, and moving.

During the RCB Meeting breakout session, several LRC Voting Reps that were nominated for the RCB Election introduced themselves.

After a lovely lunch from Silvermine Subs, Fatuma Emmand, the Director of Farming with Groundwork Denver, shared an open dialogue with residents about farming, eating whole, and the culture behind the foods we all enjoy. It was a wonderful event full of great information and interactions.

Residents participate in a yoga breakout session in the Mulroy gym

Don’t miss the next RCB meeting, on Wednesday May 17 2017. Breakfast, lunch, and transportation will be provided. If you are interested in attending, contact your service coordinator or Shannon Hedlund at 720.932.3045.
FREE TRAVEL TRAINING FROM VIA!
Let’s Ride the Bus Together!

Via Mobility Services offers a FREE travel training program to older adults who are interested in learning how to use the RTD system (bus and light rail) independently, confidently, and safely. This travel training includes:

- Meeting with you to find out where you want to go and what concerns you may have.
- Planning a trip to make sure it’s the best option for you.
- Developing strategies to help you take trips independently.
- Practice riding together to learn the route (number of times will vary based on the complexity of the trip).

Via’s nationally recognized travel training program is celebrating its 14th anniversary. They have trained hundreds of individuals on how to use the public transit system. Via’s travel training program offers group classes on how to use the RTD system and conducts group outings on public transit to provide individuals with a “hands on” experience.

For more information, view the travel training video at the Via website, www.viacolorado.org, or contact Susan Unger, Program Coordinator, 303-447-2848 ext. 1048

VALENTINES DAY ROSES FOR SENIORS

Wish of a Lifetime is dedicated to changing the way society views and values our oldest generations by fulfilling seniors’ dreams and sharing their stories to inspire those of all ages. On Valentine’s Day, Wish of Lifetime gathered volunteers across Metro Denver to deliver roses door to door to some of Denver’s most isolated and vulnerable seniors. Over 500 DHA residents living in public housing received a rose from Wish of a Lifetime, bringing smiles and joy to countless faces.