News & What’s New...

Governor Freudenthal Proclaims June as Homeownership Month

Denver HOC Staff to hold “A Day with FHA” Seminar
Denver FHEO & PIH Directors to speak at WY NAHRO Conference

Management Analyst Marc Friedland and Marketing & Outreach Specialist Susan Lyons of the Denver Homeownership Center will be conducting a free FHA training for Appraisers, Lenders and Realtors® in Casper on July 29, 2009 at the Ramada Riverside Plaza. The class is open to all real estate professionals, lenders, and appraisers as well as non-profit housing and counseling organizations and government staff. The training offers continuing education credits. Additionally, Evy Meininger, FHEO Director and Ann Roman, PIH Director, will be speaking at the Wyoming NAHRO Conference beginning the following day at the same location. For more information or to register, please check the link below or our local website calendar.


Easter Seals - Wyoming Breaks Ground on HUD 811 Supportive Housing Development in Sheridan

Easter Seals of Wyoming held a ground breaking for their HUD Section 811 – Supportive Housing project in Sheridan on May 29, 2009. The $2 million project, supported in part by a HUD $1,837,748 million grant and $205,500 rental subsidy, will provide 10 units to citizens of Sheridan and surrounding area. Dan Carmon, Casper Field Office Director, spoke of their achievement in meeting the community needs and the partnerships formed to reach the achievement, such as the City of Sheridan’s commitment and Homer A. & Mildred S. Scott Foundation’s generous financial contribution to the project. Michelle Belknap, Easter Seals President & CEO, commended Laurie Mohney, Sr. VP-Dev., for her tireless efforts to make the achievement possible. Potential residents of the project broke ground as hundreds of balloons were released for the event.
When 50% Is Not Good Enough

Maria J. Rodriguez, Program Assistant suggested that the Casper Field Office can reduce paper consumption by re-using paper we print on. Ms. Rodriguez stated “...we discard paper that is half-used”. Implementing her suggestion, the Casper Field Office now collates bundles of used printer and copy paper, blank side up, binds them with compressors and uses them for internal writing pads instead of the writing pads currently in inventory. While the estimated savings is small, every effort to conserve and reduce our operating cost is considered. Ms. Rodriguez received a Time-Off award for her suggestion.

Mary Coleman, Long-time HUD Employee, Retires

Mary Coleman, Program Assistant, retires after 32 years with the Department. Mary began her career with HUD in 1977 and served until May of this year. A reception was held in the Casper Field Office on May 8th to wish Mary well in her retirement. Many federal workers in the Dick Cheney Federal Building in Casper and family members stopped in to wish her well.

June 2009
1 – 30 – National Homeownership Month
8 – New HUD Region VIII Community Planning and Development Director LeRoy Brown Begins Tenure in Denver Regional (CO, ND, SD, UT, MT, WY) Office

July 2009
29 – “A Day with FHA” Training, Ramada Riverside Plaza, Casper, WY
30, 31 - Wyoming NAHRO Conference, Ramada Riverside Plaza, Casper, WY