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**Subject:** HUD's Office of Housing Counseling has New Career Opportunities for Qualified Individuals, & New Presentation Added to the OHC Training Webinar Archives, & New Training Updates for Housing Counselors

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**HUD's Office of Housing Counseling has New Career Opportunities for Qualified Individuals:**

Recently posted on-line at USAJOBS are the positions of:

- Housing Program Specialist, HUD Office of Housing Counseling, Job Announcement Number: 15-HUD-1077-P. [View this announcement.](#)
- Housing Program Specialist, HUD Office of Housing Counseling, Job Announcement Number: 15-HUD-1064-P. [View this announcement.](#)

All HUD Vacancy Announcements are posted at [USAJOBS](#). Please visit that website to view application procedures, and obtain additional information. Please bookmark and revisit USAJOBS frequently to see new HUD jobs as they appear online. Please read these helpful "[tips and hints](#)" for Federal job seekers.

Please do not reply to this email to submit resume information or inquire about this vacancy announcement. Please visit USAJOBS to learn more about this career opportunity and submit your application.

AND

**New Presentation Added to the OHC Training Webinar Archives:**

Original Air Date: July 08, 2015 - Webinar: Grant Agreement Training. This training provided participants with an overview of the FY2015 Comprehensive Housing Counseling Grant agreement. This training is for grantees. Audio number: (800) 475-6701, Access Code: 362814. [View Presentation.](#)

All of the HUD Office of Housing Counseling's (OHC) webinars are posted in archival form on the [Training Webinar Archive](#). There is no registration or fee required to view the archives

AND

**New Training Updates for Housing Counselors:**

**1. HUD OHC Webinar Training for Housing Counselors:** Visit the HUD Office of Housing Counseling (OHC) Training Calendar [on-line](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. [View System Requirements](#). All OHC webinars will be archived in the [OHC Webinar Archive](#). Please direct questions to: [housing.counseling@hud.gov](mailto:housing.counseling@hud.gov).

- July 14, 2015 - Webinar: Overview of USDA Housing Programs for Housing Counselors. Learn all about USDA programs. Part I will discuss the various multi-family loan and grant programs that are available as well as United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Multi-Family Housing Rental Assistance. Part II will discuss Single Family programs. Homeownership financing is provided at favorable rates and terms through a loan from a private financial institution and guaranteed by USDA Rural Development, or by a direct loan with USDA Rural Development. Home Repair Loans and Grants provide funds to elderly and low income homeowners to perform necessary repairs, improve or modernize a home, remove health and safety hazards, or make homes accessible for people with disabilities. Sponsored by HUD and USDA. Register [on-line](#).
- HUD Exchange: HUD has launched an online curriculum, including video, dynamic presentations and self-paced training modules, designed to help HUD partners understand Federal financial requirements. The HUD Exchange Training and Events website also has many other courses and training opportunities of interest to housing counselors, non-profit and local government agencies. To access HUD Exchange you must first create an account. This [document](#) contains step by step instructions for creating an account on the HUD Exchange website. Once you have created an account, you will be able to access different HUD Exchange components. Visit [HUD Exchange](#) to learn more and register for training opportunities.
  - HUD Exchange Financial Management Curriculum: Completing the financial management curriculum will assist grantees and sub-recipients to comply with federal grant requirements, increase effectiveness, and maximize efficiency. The first course, Financial Management 101, provides an introduction to key topics and financial management basics. View [on-line](#).

**2. IRS Educational Training for Exempt Organizations:** The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) offers training for non-profit organizations. [View the IRS training calendar](#). Training dates include:

- July 22, 2015 - Birmingham, AL
- August 18, 2015 - San Francisco, CA

- August 19, 2015 - San Francisco, CA
- September 02, 2015 - Albuquerque, NM
- September 03, 2015 - Albuquerque, NM
- September 10, 2015 - New York City, NY
- September 10, 2015 - Des Moines, IA
- September 24, 2015 - Austin, TX

Also [view the IRS webinar course catalog](#). The IRS also provides [on-line](#) training for tax-exempt organizations and charitable organizations seeking tax-exempt status. The site includes information for new applicants; information to help existing exempt organizations maintain their exemption; and more in-depth topics.

**3. Water Wednesday's Training:** HUD and EPA have launched a series of webcasts on water conservation and water efficiency for HUD partners and stakeholders. For further information and registration, please visit EPA [on-line](#).  
Upcoming Webinar Schedule:

- July 29, 2015 - Water Efficiency Best Management Practices for Multi-unit Property Managers
- August 26, 2015 - Tracking Water & Energy Savings
- September 16, 2015 - Incorporating Green Infrastructure into Housing Developments
- October 28, 2015 - Greywater Reuse: Is it Right for Your Facilities?

**4. NeighborWorks® Training Opportunities:** Visit NeighborWorks® [Training Website](#) to see their on-line course catalog and register for training opportunities.

- NeighborWorks® Training Institutes (NTI). Registration, class schedules, scholarships, and other information can be found [on-line](#).
  - August 17-21, 2015 - Philadelphia, PA
  - December 07-11, 2015 - Washington DC
  - February 22-26, 2106 - Atlanta GA
  - May 02-06, 2016 - Los Angeles, CA
  - August 08-12, 2016 - Detroit, MI
- Building Pathways to Financial Resilience at the Philadelphia NeighborWorks Training Institute  
August 19, 2015 – Explore the many facets of life—housing, health, education, and workplace—that are impacted by an individuals' or families' financial situation at this financial capability-themed symposium. Keynote speakers include Jonathan Mintz (Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund) and Jonathan Morduch (U.S. Financial Diaries). Join with NeighborWorks to collaborate across sectors, hear breakthrough insights and discover approaches that generate success. Learn more [on-line](#).

- NeighborWorks' July 2015 eClassroom Express Schedule: eClassroom Express courses are a convenient, cost-friendly way to refresh your knowledge about topic areas in homeownership and financial capability as well as topics covered for housing counselor certification. For more information, visit us [online](#).
  - July 14 - Understanding the New Integrated Mortgage Disclosure (TRID)
  - July 21 - Understanding the Skills Needed to be a Successful Financial Coach
  - July 28 - Maximizing the Effectiveness of Telephone Counseling with HECM Clients
- **NeighborWorks' Four-Week Online Financial Capability Course:** September 1, 2015 – In Measuring the Impact of Financial Capability Programs, a Virtual Classroom course, learn how essential a targeted and effective evaluation strategy is to understanding and demonstrating the positive impact of your financial capability program. Registration begins August 3, 2015. For more information, visit NeighborWorks [online](#).

**5. NHNLA Training for Housing Counselors:** The National Council of La Raza Homeownership Network Learning Alliance (NHNLA) offers housing counselors extensive training opportunities on a wide variety of topics. For more information, registration and course details, please visit the [NHNLA training Calendar](#). Please see the list of new webinar and live courses below:

- July 20, 2015 - eLearning Housing Counseling Competency: Avoidance of Foreclosure and Eviction
- July 27, 2015 - eLearning Foreclosure Prevention II
- August 24-25, 2015 - San Francisco, CA. Transitioning from Foreclosure to Pre Purchase
- August 26-28, 2015 - San Francisco, CA. Pre Purchase I
- August 26-27, 2015 - San Francisco, CA. Housing Counseling Competency: HUD Housing Counseling Certification Prep Course

**6. The Counselor's Corner Training:** For more information visit The Counselor's Corner [website](#). Membership is free.

- Webinar: Beginner Course - Certified Military Home Specialist. This beginner course is designed to acquaint housing professionals with military terminology that is often foreign to the housing community. The course provides the tools and introduces the skills needed by housing professionals to provide the expert service our military personnel need and deserve. This is a certification course, which is free. There is a fee for

taking the exam online after the webinar. Both dates are the same class. Select the date most convenient for you.

- July 17, 2015 - Register [on-line](#).
- July 23, 2015 - Register [on-line](#).
  
- July 16, 2015 - Webinar: The Good Credit Game. Learn how to jazz up your credit classes with the “Good Credit Game.” This instructor-led webinar will introduce you to six hands-on activities that will get your clients quickly engaged and interested in learning more about credit. Using a game format, your clients will learn what information is important to the lender, the components of the credit report, how to take control of their credit scores and much more. Register [on-line](#).
  
- July 22, 2015 - Webinar: How to Make Your Case for Funding Your Program. Funding is needed for all types of programs and services. This webinar will help practitioners identify and effectively demonstrate their need for funding. One of the common mistakes found in grant proposals is the lack of demonstrating the need to fund the project and the impact on the community if the project is not funded. This webinar will help you develop a strong situation analysis, including properly identifying the target audience and demographics and how to utilize community partners to assist in program efforts and funding initiatives. There is a fee to attend this webinar and participants must pass a post-webinar test to get their Certificate of Completion. Register [on-line](#).

**7. FHA Servicing & Loss Mitigation Live Training:** Classroom Training. Early Delinquency Servicing Activities and HUD's Loss Mitigation Training. Classroom training is for HUD-approved mortgagees, HUD-approved Housing Counselors, and Nonprofit Housing Counselors. For-profit Housing Counselors are not permitted to attend this training. This training covers a broad range and includes full coverage on: HUD Handbook 4330.1 REV-5, Chapter 7, Delinquencies, Defaults, Mortgage Collection Activities and HUD's Loss Mitigation Waterfall Program. Additionally, overviews will be presented pertaining to Extension of Time Requests and Variances and Single Family Default Monitoring System. No fee. Space is limited to 45 participants; Registration is first come, first served. For more information please email: [eclass@hud.gov](mailto:eclass@hud.gov), Register [on-line](#). Training dates include

- August 11-12, 2015 - Oklahoma City, OK

Upcoming FHA Servicing & Loss Mitigation Webinars:

- July 15, 2015 - SFDMS: Reporting Basics. Register [on-line](#).
- July 22, 2015 - SFDMS: Reporting Examples. Register [on-line](#).
- July 29, 2015 - SFDMS: Errors. Register [on-line](#).

- August 05, 2015 - Extension of Time and Variance Request System (EVARS) Training. Register [on-line](#).

HUD Loss Mitigation Live Classroom Training Schedule: This is classroom training for HUD-approved Housing Counseling agencies, servicing lenders, and nonprofits. The training will provide information on FHA Loss Mitigation tools. It will cover new changes with the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP), pre-foreclosure sale, and deed-in-lieu. No fee. For more information on upcoming dates please [email](#) HUD.

- July 14, 2015 - Knoxville, TN. Register [on-line](#).
- July 16, 2015 - Atlanta, GA. Register [on-line](#).
- July 21, 2015 - Greensboro, NC. Register [on-line](#).
- July 23, 2015 - Indianapolis, IN. Register [on-line](#).
- August 18, 2015 - Nashville, TN.
- August TBD, 2015 - Birmingham, AL.
- September 01, 2015 – Chicago, IL
- September 02, 2015 - Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

**8. Making Home Affordable (MHA):** These webinars are designed specifically for housing counselors and other trusted advisors. Register [on-line](#):

- July 16, 2015 - CheckMyNPV.com
- July 22, 2015 - Case Escalations for Trusted Advisors
- July 28, 2015 - Mortgage Assistance for Florida Homeowners

**9. Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) Training for Housing Counselors:**

- Marketing 101: [YouTube](#) video training for non-profit agencies on how to market the services your agency offers. VHDA has posted many more informative training videos for non-profit agencies and consumers; please visit their [YouTube Channel](#) to view all their current training offerings.
- Rental Education Manual: VHDA is pleased to announce that the new Rental Education Manual is complete and available on their [website](#). This resource is free for you to share with potential renters, current tenants and colleagues. VHDA wants your feedback on the manual and ways the curriculum can be implemented. Plan to attend one of 8 discussion locations throughout Virginia. Register by emailing: [RentalEducation@VHDA.com](mailto:RentalEducation@VHDA.com). Please include the session title: VHDA Rental Education Manual in the subject line of your email. Include your name, agency name, and which regional location you plan to attend. Limited seating.
  - August 06, 2015 - Richmond, VA

- August 07, 2015 - Lynchburg, VA
- August 12, 2015 - Abingdon, VA
- August 13, 2015 - Franklin, VA
- August 17, 2015 - Harrisonburg, VA
- August 18, 2015 - Manassas, VA
- August 27, 2015 - Hampton, VA
- August 28, 2015 - Exmore, VA

**10. OCC Financial Literacy Update:** The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)'s Financial Literacy Update is a bimonthly e-newsletter that reports financial literacy events, initiatives, and related resources of the OCC and other government agencies and organizations. Financial Literacy Update provides brief descriptions and Web links for events and training. Housing Counselors can visit the Financial Literacy Update [on-line](#).

**11. HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast:** The HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast is an entertaining and educational series of conversations focused on military off-base housing. Sponsored by HopeNow and Clearpoint Financial Solutions. No fee. Listen to the Podcasts [on-line](#).

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[aaa@xyz.com](mailto:aaa@xyz.com)  
[bbb@xyz.com](mailto:bbb@xyz.com)  
[ccc@xyz.com](mailto:ccc@xyz.com)

You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Then [Email your list](#) to HUD-OHC. If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 2 other ways to sign up: Send them this [link](#) or forward them this email.

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### Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:

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