



Support & Guidance For Homeowners



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Free HOPE NOW Foreclosure Prevention Workshop To Provide Assistance To Kansas City-Area Homeowners

*Hope Now Alliance and NeighborWorks® America Will Sponsor Homeownership
Preservation Event*

Kansas City, MO—The HOPE NOW Alliance, in association with NeighborWorks® America and the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, will hold a Homeownership Preservation Workshop for all area homeowners who may be at risk of foreclosure. The workshop is free and open to the public, and is a chance for homeowners to speak with a certified HUD counselor and meet face-to-face with their lender to work on a possible loan modification to help them stay in their homes.

- WHO:** All Kansas City-area homeowners who may be at risk of foreclosure
- WHAT:** Free HOPE NOW Foreclosure Prevention Workshop
- WHEN:** Thursday, February 26, 2009
2:00 p.m-8:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Kansas City Convention Center
301 West 13th St.
Kansas City, MO 64105
- WHY:** To give homeowners at risk of foreclosure a chance to meet with their lender or a housing counselor face-to-face to better understand their options and work on a plan to keep them in their homes.

HOPE NOW is the industry-created alliance of mortgage servicers, investors, counselors, and other mortgage market participants that has developed and is implementing a coordinated plan to help as many homeowners as possible prevent foreclosure and stay in their homes. For more information go to www.HopeNow.com or call the free HOPE™ Hotline at (888) 995-HOPE.

NeighborWorks® America creates opportunities for people to improve their lives and strengthen their communities by providing access to homeownership and to safe and affordable rental housing. To date, we have assisted nearly 850,000 low- to moderate-income families with their housing needs. Much of our success is achieved through our support of the NeighborWorks® network more than 230 community development organizations working in 4,400 urban, suburban and rural communities in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. In the last five years, NeighborWorks® organizations have generated more than \$12.4 billion in reinvestment in these communities. NeighborWorks® America is the nation's leading trainer of community development and affordable housing professionals. For more information, go to www.nw.org.

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