

# FSS NEWS

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## Summer Food Service Program

The Summer Food Service Program (previously called Summer Lunch Program) will begin Monday, June 2, 2008 and run until August 8, 2008. Over 160 sites will serve meals to children and teens throughout Metro Louisville.

Meals will be provided to all children 18 years of age and under without charge. No paperwork or registration is required to receive a meal. Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, family income, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. No pork products are used in any meals served in this program.

For information regarding site locations and service times please contact MetroCall at 311 or 574-5000 or visit [www.louisvilleky.gov/cap](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/cap). Other questions should be directed to Louisville Metro Community Action Partnership at (502) 574-1157.

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### Professional and Work Development Training

Location: Mabel Wiggins Investment Center

1411 Algonquin Parkway

### Classes

**June 16, 2008 — June 23, 2008**

**Monday-Friday, 10:00 am –2:30 pm**

To sign up call Lana Zusstone at 569-6019.  
Space is limited.

**\*\*High School Diploma or GED is required\*\***

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# Financial Skills Class Schedule

## ECONOMIC LITERACY OUTREACH PROJECT

(Center for Women & Families—927 South Second Street)

(Center for Women & Families —4303 West Broadway)

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Monday</u> <u>6-8 @ CWF</u>	<u>Wednesday</u> <u>12-2 @ CWF(Broadway)</u>	<u>Saturday</u> <u>10-12 @ CWF</u>
ELOP #5	Predatory Lending	6/2/08	6/4/08	6/7/08
ELOP #6	Insurance & Auto Purchase	6/16/08	6/18/08	6/21/08
ELOP #1	Financial Goal Setting	7/7/08	7/9/08	7/12/08
ELOP #2	Budgeting & Record Keeping	7/21/08	7/23/08	7/26/08
ELOP #3	Intro to Banking & Savings Options	8/4/08	8/6/08	8/9/08
ELOP #4	Understanding Credit & Managing Debt	8/18/08	8/20/08	8/23/08
ELOP #5	Predatory Lending	9/8/08	9/10/08	9/13/08
ELOP #6	Insurance & Auto Purchase	9/22/08	9/24/08	9/27/08

**NOTE: Wednesday class has been moved to a new location!!**

**\*\*LATE ARRIVALS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED\*\***

**\*\*You MUST sign in to get credit for your attendance\*\***

**\*\*CHILDCARE IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE AT ANY LOCATION\*\***

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## Financial Literacy Skills Institute

**Canaan Community Development Corporation**

**Family Life Center Room 10**

**2840 Hikes Lane 6pm to 8 pm**

**June 2** — Refinance

**June 9** — Foreclosure Prevention

**June 16** —Wills & Estate Planning

**June 23** — Think Retirement —Part 1 (Financial Planning/Investments/401K)

**June 30** —Think Retirement —Part 2 (Financial Planning/Investments/401K)

**PLEASE CALL (502) 776-6369 ext 307 TO REGISTER**

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## Foreclosure Prevention Workshop

Male High School 4409 Preston Highway

Wednesday, June 11, 2008 5:00 pm —8:00 pm

The workshop is free but space is limited. Call 574-5370 to reserve a seat.

**\*\*\*If you are behind on making your mortgage payment or facing other financial problems, you should attend this workshop.**

## Expungement Workshop

Thursday, June 12, 2008 2:30 pm —4:00 pm

Canaan Community Development Corporation —Family Life Center  
2840 Hikes Lane

Call LaVonya Watkins to reserve a space or for more information

Phone (502)776-6369 ext 307 Fax (502)776-8026 Email: [Lwatkins@ccdcky.org](mailto:Lwatkins@ccdcky.org)

## Kindergarten Countdown 2008

School-readiness and educational events free for kids and parents

Parents and families may enroll their children in the countdown by registering at any of the 17 Louisville Free Public Library locations. Each student will receive a free "I'm Going To Kindergarten" T-Shirt.

During the summer, several free events are planned for countdown students including:

- A celebration at the Speed Art Museum on Saturday, June 21, noon to 3 p.m. Children wearing their T-Shirts may tour the museum and visit the ArtSparks children program.
- A party at the Kentucky Derby Museum on Saturday, July 26, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Families should arrive by 9:30 a.m. to see horses work out on the track. Tours of the museum are also available.

Walden Theatre's production of "The Completely Untrue Story of How I Lost the Race or the Litigated Version of Aesop's Fables." Children wearing their shirts and one adult will be admitted free on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. and July 25<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. To reserve a seat, contact Dan Welch at 589-0084 or [danwelch@waldentheatre.org](mailto:danwelch@waldentheatre.org).

The program culminates with the **Kindergarten Countdown Fair on Tuesday, August 5 at Louisville Slugger Field from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Students and an adult will receive free admission to the Louisville Bats game.

Students will also receive information about immunizations, health screenings and skills children should know before they start kindergarten. Students will also be able to meet teachers and tour a school bus. Local law enforcement authorities will prepare identification badges for children.

Kindergarten Countdown is a partnership between the city, JCPS, Metro United Way Success By 6, the Louisville Free Public Library and the Making Connections Network.

# Family Self-Sufficiency Participants

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Ms. [Jacqueline Smithers](#) for completing ELOP series twice just because she wants to be as financially knowledgeable as possible when she purchases her home.

Ms. [Leah Starks](#) has reached one year employment anniversary.

Ms. [Darlene Smith](#) has picked out the brick and appliances for her new home that she has having built especially for her.

Ms. [Danielle Whitfield](#) for competing her CNA certification and is now on the waiting list for CMT training.

Ms. [Kimberly Woods](#) for completing ELOP series.

Ms. [Yolanda Young](#) is also having her house built from the ground up and they've already started digging.

(Damita Hannah)

Congratulations to [Aisha M.](#), who graduated from the FSS Program last month! Aisha worked very hard and achieved every goal she set for herself. I am amazed by her strong will and savvy spending knowledge. She is the kind of person who has the determination to see what she wants and then goes out and gets it.

Aisha went above and beyond the goals of the program. She attended the required workshops and then some. Very soon, Aisha will be a homeowner. Aisha, I very much enjoyed working with you, and good luck with all your future goals.

(Michele Johnson)

Congratulations to [Cornnielia Sherrell](#) on her employment at A. J. Wright.

(Kathy Phillips)

[Phan Nguyen](#) graduated from the FSS program in May. Besides achieving the primary FSS goal of getting and keeping full time work, he completed homeownership classes. Sons [Thien](#), a senior, and [Tin](#), a sophomore next fall, are engineering students at Murray State University. Both also won scholarships through the Kentucky Housing Association. The whole family is earning and learning—congratulations!

(Sandy Schardein)

[Johnnice Otis](#) graduated with honors from JCTC and three AA degrees from the Culinary Arts Dept., plus seven specialized certificates. She also was featured in the [Courier-Journal's](#) article covering the ceremony—our media star!

[Lakesha M.](#) received her certificate as a Medical Office Specialist *cum laude* from ATA. She's also working toward her AA degree from ATA.

[Patricia Tutt](#) completed her AA in Early Childhood Education at JCTC, and plans to return for a business degree.

I'm proud of you all. Returning to school never is easy, but you made it!

(Sandy Schardein)

## ECONOMIC STIMULUS PAYMENTS

**Economic stimulus payments will be issued according to the last two-digits of the main filer's Social Security number. People who use direct deposit also will be among the first to receive the payments starting May 2. Paper checks will be put in the mail starting May 16.**

### PAPER CHECK

Last two SSN digits:	Payments will be mailed by:
00 through 09	May 16
10 through 18	May 23
19 through 25	May 30
26 through 38	June 6
39 through 51	June 13
52 through 63	June 20
64 through 75	June 27
76 through 87	July 4
88 through 99	July 11

### DIRECT DEPOSIT

Last two SSN digits:	Payment will be transmitted:
00 through 20	May 2
21 through 75	May 9
76 through 99	May 16

People who file a return after April 15 will receive their economic stimulus payment, but probably about two weeks later than the schedule shows. A return must be filed by October 15 in order to receive a stimulus payment this year. See the [online calculator](#) for an estimate of the amount you will receive. WWW.IRS.GOV



HAPPY FATHER'S  
DAY  
JUNE 15, 2008

## ATTENTION SECTION 8 HOMEOWNERS

**Thank you to all homeowners who have saved in the IDA consistently every month! Your participation is appreciated and valued!**

**If you have missed monthly deposits: Read below – YOUR SUBSIDY COULD BE IN JEOPARDY.**

Over the past year we've noticed an increase in the number of homeowners who have not participated in the Post-Purchase IDA savings program as expected. Please remember this savings program is not optional...**IT IS MANDATORY. YES...you can lose your Section 8 if you do not save in the account MONTHLY.** In the past, you may have been sent a reminder letter after missing a deposit...these reminders will no longer be sent. It is your responsibility to make the deposit monthly. If your deposits aren't being made monthly, your file will go to termination of assistance.

I regret this entry of the newsletter is somewhat negative but it is a last effort to get this problem under control before homeowners are terminated from Section 8.

**The Post-Purchase IDA program requires you make a DEPOSIT EVERY SINGLE MONTH. If you aren't saving consistently then you need to get on track from this month forward. Currently homeowners who have not participated as expected over the last 12 mos. are being contacted for one last warning before being terminated from Section 8. Refer to your copy of the Savings Agreement to ensure you understand all expectations.**

Unfortunately many homeowners do not see the value of the savings account until a repair is needed...at that time the homeowner typically regrets not putting in more money into the account. You only have 3 years in this savings program...then the opportunity is gone. Take advantage of it while it's being offered.

To those of you who have missed deposits: It is preferred that LMHA staff time is spent on improving program benefits and services...not spent on issues of lack of participation. All homeowners are thoroughly explained the expectations of the homeownership program and are expected to participate accordingly.

Thank you for your attention to this concern. We hope 2008 deposits get better! Call Nicole Lyons if you have any questions.

***Local consumers report receiving unsolicited mail offers from National Deed Service to obtain certified copies of real estate property deeds for a fee of \$59.60. Most homeowners already have an original deed. A certified copy isn't required. If the property is sold, the deed is not signed over, rather, a new deed is prepared. For most reasons that a deed copy may be needed, a simple photocopy should suffice and certification isn't necessary.***

**Article submitted by Nicole Lyons**

## Reading Rocks at the Library This Summer!

### Summer Reading begins May 22nd at all library locations

Every child in Louisville will want to be a part of this year's Summer Reading Program: "Reading Rocks." Every child from birth to 5th grade who reads (or has read to them) 10 books will receive some great prizes, including:

- A guitar-shaped backpack
- a family pass to ArtSparks at the Speed Museum
- a pass to the Thomas Edison House
- a pass to Squire Boone Caverns
- a Frosty™ from Wendy's
- a ticket to a Louisville Bats game
- a ticket to the Rauch Planetarium
- and a bundle of passes to University of Louisville sports events.

10 book readers are also eligible for weekly and grand prize drawings!

Finale parties will be held at each location on August 2nd!! Call your branch for more information.

**Don't miss our big kickoff at the Main Library on May 31st, 10 a.m to 2 p.m.**

**Also check out our [Summer Reading Program for Teens!](#)**

Sponsored by Louisville Free Public Library

### **Diabetes Self-Management Series offered by the Diabetes Program of Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness**

These classes are free and are open to the public. *REGISTRATION REQUIRED.*

Thursday, June 5 - Class Topics: Types of Diabetes, High & Low Blood Sugar, Sick Days

Thursday, June 12 - Class Topics: Diet and Exercise

Thursday, June 19 - Class Topics: Diabetes Pills, Insulin, Preventing Complications (Part 1)

Thursday, June 26 - Class Topics: Preventing Complications (Part 2), Foot & Skin Care, Glucose Monitoring and Standards of Care

Location: Fairdale Community Library, 10616 W. Manslick Road (inside Playtorium)

Class times: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm (all 4 days).

Please arrive 15 minutes early for first class to fill out paperwork. Attendance at all classes is encouraged.

Contact the Diabetes Program at (502) 574-6663 to register or send an e-mail to [Erin.VanGundy@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:Erin.VanGundy@louisvilleky.gov)

### **Diabetes Support Group offered by the Diabetes Program of Louisville Metro Department of Public Health & Wellness**

Attendance is free and open to the public – *NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY*

2nd Thursday of every month, 9:30 - 11:00 am at the Park DuValle Community Health Center - 3015 Wilson Avenue

June's topic is Glucose Monitoring with Diabetes Conversation Maps.

Contact the Diabetes Program at (502) 574-6663 if you have any questions.

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# SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDERS

All Care Community Center	447 1611	Mt. Nebo	897-6333
Bates Community Development Corporation	636-0573	Newburg Community Center	456-8122
Beechmont Community Center	361-5484	Parkhill Community Center	637-3044
Berrytown Family YMCA	244-6187	Plymouth Community Renewal Center	583-7889
California Community Center	574-2658	Portland Community Center	776-0913
Cedar Ridge Camp Inc	267-5848	Project One, Inc	778-1003
Chestnut Street Family YMCA	587-7405	Project Reach Out	634-1111
Corinthian Christian Life Center	583-7977	Salvation Army Boys & Girls Clubs	671-4909
Cyril Allgier Community Center	456-3261	Shawnee Community Center	775-5268
Downtown YMCA Day Camp	587-6700	Shelby Park Community Center	574-1780
Dumeyer Community Center	366-9206	South Louisville Community Center	574-3206
Eastern Star Dev Training Academy Inc	774-4265	Southern Star Development Corporation	775-0198
Home of the Innocents	596-1000	Southwest YMCA	933-9622
Jefferson County 4-H Council	569-2344	Southwick Community Center	775-6598
Jewell Park Trojans	819-4329	Squallis Puppeteers	540-4977
Junior Achievement	561-5436	Sun Valley Community Center	937-8802
Louisville Nature Center	458-1328	Sylvania Community Center	935-2619
Louisville Zoo	238-5328	Ursuline School for the Performing Arts	897-1816
Meyzeek Middle School	584-8613	West Louisville Performing Arts Academy Inc	582-0123
Midwest Church of Christ	774-3986	Wheeler Youth Summer Camp	408-6020

## Partners in Promoting Family Self-Sufficiency

Louisville Metro Department of Housing & Family Services  
Division of Human Services  
Operation Self-Help/Family Self-Sufficiency  
810 Barret Avenue 3rd Floor  
Louisville, KY 40204  
Fax: (502) 574-6171 or 574-5548

Louisville Metro Housing Authority  
Special Programs / Family Self-Sufficiency  
801 Vine Street 3rd Floor  
Louisville, KY 40204  
Fax: (502) 587-1994



## To Apply For the FSS Program

If you live in public housing  
or scattered site,  
call Dan Farrell  
at 569-6902.

If you have Section 8  
rental assistance,  
call Amber Goddard  
at 569-6933.

FSS News is published monthly for and about participants in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

If you wish to contribute information about yourself, your children or community resources, contact your case manager or Legina Stoner at 574-1965. The deadline for the next issue is Friday, June 13, 2008.