

Chicago Rehab Network

*Community Development
and Empowerment Series 2006*

The Community Development and Empowerment Series exposes trainees to the entire process of affordable housing development and management. Sessions cover the nuts and bolts of project planning, financing, and development, and culminate in tenant services, property and asset management. The four-month certificate program, led by a diverse team of senior community development practitioners, allows trainees to enhance skills and share expertise with peers in the field.

Chicago Rehab Network: Valuing Affordability

Chicago Rehab Network (CRN) is a citywide coalition of neighborhood-based nonprofit housing organizations working to create and preserve affordable housing in Chicago and the region. Through research, publications, policy and advocacy, training and technical assistance CRN advocates for affordable housing resources at the local, state, and national levels.

Founded in 1977 by community groups seeking to pool expertise and share information, the coalition membership consists of over 45 organizations representing over 60 city neighborhoods. Through the years CRN's efforts have resulted in the creation of tens of thousands of affordable units as hundreds of community-based and for-profit developers have come to see opportunity in our neighborhoods.

Community Development and Empowerment Series workshops are designed for adult learners from a variety of backgrounds.

The 2006 Community Development and Empowerment Series is generously supported by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.



Thursday, March 2
Friday, March 3

Community Building

The first in the series, this workshop will present the community assets perspective as a model for community planning. Through looking at strategies employed by community-based development organizations, we will discuss the elements beyond bricks and mortar that community building requires.

Thursday, March 16
Friday, March 17

HP12-C Financial Calculator & Computer Spreadsheets

Technology can enhance your organization's ability to operate efficiently in today's challenging market. Learn housing finance concepts, how to compute financial calculations on the HP12-C, and how to use computer spreadsheets to create proformas.

Location To Be Determined

Wednesday, April 5

Thursday, April 6

Proforma Development & Analysis

Understanding principles of real estate development & finance is critical to maintaining the long-term affordability of your project. You will create development proformas, income and expense statements, and cash flow analyses.

Emphasis will be placed on structuring projects with tax credits, public funds, grant funding and the new affordable housing donation tax credit.

Wednesday, April 19

Thursday, April 20

Sources of Development Financing

Developing affordable housing is a challenging process that requires the layering of financing to achieve the goal of affordability. This workshop will familiarize participants with the mechanics of securing development capital, debt and equity financing, grants and subsidies.

Wednesday, May 3

Thursday, May 4

Single Family Housing Development

The process of developing single family housing will be discussed both in terms of the technical skills involved, and in terms of maximizing production to meet community needs. Assembling a development team, acquiring property, securing financing, and marketing will all be examined in detail.

Wednesday, May 17

Thursday, May 18

Multifamily Housing Development

Multifamily housing development will be discussed as one tool for creating community-based affordable housing. The development process, acquisition, sources of financing, development team, and legal issues will all be discussed.

Wednesday, June 7

Thursday, June 8

Project and Construction Management

Creating quality affordable housing requires knowledge of construction that includes knowing how to choose a project team, how to manage contracts, and how to closeout the project.

Students will visit a construction site to test concepts in the field. Transportation and lunch provided.

Wednesday, June 21

Thursday, June 22

Property/Asset Management/Tenant Services

This course will review the key aspects in the property management of subsidized housing. Focus will be given to marketing and lease up, accounting, asset management, fair housing laws, maintenance and capital improvements, and resident services.

When/Where

Unless otherwise noted, each workshop will take place from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Location To Be Determined

For directions to the training facility, parking, and/or public transportation, call CRN at 312.663.3936.

Registration

Workshop enrollment is limited. In order to reserve your space, registration must be received 5 days prior to the workshop.

Certificates will be awarded to those who attend all eight workshops.

For information about the Community Development and Empowerment Series, the Urban Developers Program, and other training and technical assistance opportunities, contact Chicago Rehab Network at 312.663.3936, or visit www.chicagorehab.org.



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Registration Form

Workshops

Check here if you will attend all eight workshops.
You will receive a Community Development
and Empowerment Certificate at the end of the series.

Name

Organization

Address

City/Zip

Phone

Fax

A check payable to the Chicago Rehab Network
is enclosed for \$ _____

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“The Community Development and Empowerment Series is an incredibly enriching experience for community developers. I encourage all my staff to take part!”

*Angela Vick, Claretian Associates
Executive Director*

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