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Virtual Housing Resource Fair workshops now available for on demand viewing

Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs and **Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II** hosted the 9th annual Housing Resource Fair on Saturday, November 21st to provide a variety of housing related information to residents throughout the community. This year's event was primarily virtual in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and for those unable to attend the initial viewing or those wanting to review the information shared, the virtual workshops and question and answer sessions are now available for playback.

"This year we hosted the Housing Resource Fair virtually and included a variety of workshops to connect residents with crucial information," said Alderwoman Coggs. "We now have these workshops available online for those who were not able to attend, and I encourage those in need to take advantage of this opportunity to access the workshops on demand."

The first workshop was a **Credit Workshop** to help individuals learn the factors that go into your credit score and how to improve them. If you have had challenges in the past, learn how to repair your credit. Representatives from Associated Bank and Bank On Greater Milwaukee provide helpful information and advice on understanding and improving your credit. The credit workshop and Q&A can be viewed [here](#).

The second workshop included **COVID-19 Resources**. Here homeowners receive advice on how to contact your mortgage lender to request payment deferments, hear from Housing Resources about the Milwaukee County Mortgage Assistance program which provides emergency grants to help you make mortgage payments you have missed due to COVID-19, and hear from Milwaukee Water Works about payment plans if you are having difficulty paying your city services bill. This workshop along with the Q&A is available [here](#).

The final workshop, **Buy the Block**, allowed residents to learn about opportunities to buy a City foreclosed property for both homeownership and rental property ownership. Representatives from City Estate, Pyramax Bank and Realty among Friends walk you through the process. Also find out about forgivable loans and technical assistance that are available to help you rehabilitate the City homes that are for sale, including the City's Homebuyer Assistance Program, ARCH Program and Live/Work Duplex Program. Buy the Block workshop and Q&A can be viewed [here](#).

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Housing Resource Fair Playback/ADD ONE

In addition to being available on the City Channel YouTube page at www.youtube.com/CityChannel25, the Housing Resource Fair will also be aired on the City Channel (channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse in the City of Milwaukee) at the following times:

Wednesday November 25th

- 12:00pm - Buy the Block
- 3:00pm - Covid 19 Resources
- 4:30pm - Establishing a Solid Credit History

Thursday November 26th

- 12:00pm - Establishing a Solid Credit History
- 4:30pm - Covid 19 Resources
- 6:00pm - Buy the Block

Friday November 27th

- 9:30am - Establishing a Solid Credit History
- 12:00pm - Buy the Block
- 4:00pm - Covid 19 Resources

Saturday November 28th

- 12:00pm - Establishing a Solid Credit History
- 3:00pm - Covid 19 Resources
- 5:00pm - Buy the Block

Sunday November 29th

- 10:00am - Buy the Block
- 12:00pm - Establishing a Solid Credit History
- 3:00pm - Covid 19 Resources

“I want to thank the residents who attended our virtual Housing Resource Fair, in addition to all the partners who helped make the event happen, and businesses in the 15th District,” said Alderman Stamper. “Now more than ever we must continue to provide timely and thorough information to support those in need, and we look forward to continuing the Housing Resource Fair again in 2021.”

The Housing Resource Fair was sponsored by Alderwoman Coggs, Alderman Stamper and the Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation in partnership with the City of Milwaukee, Northcott Neighborhood House, and Westcare Wisconsin. Additional information on current city programs and can be found at <http://city.milwaukee.gov/NIDC>.