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For National Community Development Week, Charleston County celebrates 51 years of community development grant programs

National Community Development Week kicks off Monday, April 21, and throughout the week, Charleston County will celebrate over half a century of delivering critical Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs, supported by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Citizens, partner organizations, and program beneficiaries are invited to attend a series of events next week showcasing these local programs and their community-wide impact.

Monday, April 21, 2025

National Community Development Week Kickoff Event

- 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Charleston County Public Services Building (4045 Bridge View Drive, North Charleston)
- Citizens can learn more about the CDBG and HOME programs from county staff and current grant partners.
 Additionally, country representatives from Probate Court, Board of Voter Registration and Elections, Assessor's Office, Auditor's Office, and other departments will be on-hand to discuss critical county services. Well and septic maintenance resources will also be available.

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- 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (North Charleston City Hall, 2500 City Hall Lane, North Charleston)
- Citizens can learn more about the CDBG and HOME programs from county staff and current grant partners.

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Homeowner Energy Workshop sponsored by the Sustainability Institute

- 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., St. James South Santee Senior and Community Center (710 S. Santee Road, McClellanville)
- · Registration for this workshop is full.
- Residents not able to attend Homeowner Energy Workshop are welcome and encouraged to stop by, as Charleston County staff will be on-hand to discuss critical county resources.

Thursday, April 24, 2025

Legal Seminar and Wills Clinic sponsored by ProBono Legal Services

- 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Wiltown Community Center (779 Parkers Ferry Road, Adamas Run)
- In addition to the Legal Seminar and Wills Clinic, Charleston County staff will be on-hand to discuss critical county resources.

Additionally, in honor of National Community Development Week, members of the Charleston County Community Development Advisory Board will tour various local CDBG and HOME projects Tuesday.

For 51 years, CDBG has provided local communities with essential funds to address affordable housing and community and economic development needs. The CDBG program provides funding to more than 1,200 local governments, enabling them to create specialized initiatives that improve their communities' physical, economic, and social conditions. Every dollar of CDBG leverages four dollars in other funding, bringing additional vital resources to communities.

The HOME program helps communities increase access to affordable housing for low-income households. The program grants over 650 participating jurisdictions the ability to create safe, decent, and affordable housing in communities nationwide.

Both programs are administered locally by the <u>Charleston County Community Development and Revitalization</u> Department.

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