



# HAVE YOU JOINED THE RENT CAFÉ PORTAL?

Sign up now for 24/7 access to:

Book a Virtual Appointment View Housing Assistance Payments

For help signing up, or questions regarding your Rent Café Portal account, e-mail <u>RentCafePortal@lacda.org</u>.

If you have already signed up, remember to check your e-mail frequently to ensure you don't miss any notifications from the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA).

Click here to access the Rent Café Portal.

#### THE CALIFORNIA MORTGAGE RELIEF PROGRAM

Did you fall behind on your mortgage or property taxes during the COVID-19 pandemic? You may be eligible to receive assistance through the California Mortgage Relief Program. Applicants must meet eligibility requirements in order to qualify for program assistance. Households are allowed to apply for additional assistance even if you have already received funding, up to a maximum of \$80,000 in TOTAL assistance. For more information on the California Mortgage Relief Program click here.

Applicants who do not meet eligibility criteria may contact a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) certified housing counselor to explore other options that may be available. <u>Click here</u> to find a HUD-certified counselor in your area.

# **HOW TO REPORT SUSPECTED SECTION 8 FRAUD**

You can report suspected Section 8 crime or fraud to the Crime/Fraud Tip line. The tip line is confidential, and you can remain anonymous.

E-mail: fraudhotline@lacda.org - Crime/Fraud Tip Line: (877) 881-7233.

If you prefer, you may send a letter anonymously to:

Los Angeles County Development Authority

Attention: Crime/Fraud Tip Line P.O. Box 1503, Alhambra, CA 91802

Even if you provide your name, we will never disclose it to the person you are reporting. Also, because of confidentiality, we cannot update an informant or provide outcomes of any investigations. When making a report, please provide as much information as possible about the suspect (name, address, social security number) and the activity. The LACDA looks into all reports of suspected crime/fraud in its programs. Please call 911 for emergencies or crimes in progress, and contact the local law enforcement agency to report illegal activity.

### **LUNCH AND LEARN WORKSHOP**

Workshops are designed to provide participant families and owners an opportunity to learn about Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program requirements that may affect rental assistance.

#### March Lunch & Learn

Join the LACDA and the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection staff to learn more about the HQS inspection process.

Thursday, March 16, 2023 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Register in advance for this Zoom meeting at:

Zoom Link: <a href="http://bit.ly/3xqWg0G">http://bit.ly/3xqWg0G</a>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about how to join the meeting.

Phone: (626) 586-1654 Email: <a href="mailto:HCVWorkshops@lacda.org">HCVWorkshops@lacda.org</a>

# VIRTUAL OWNER ENGAGEMENT HOUR

We Know You Have Questions.

We're Here to Provide Answers.

The LACDA Owner Engagement Hour occurs twice a month and provides owners the opportunity to ask LACDA staff about general program questions. Expert staff will also be available to provide information on the following topics:

- Request for Tenancy Approval (RTA) Process;
- Housing Quality Standards (HQS);
- Inspections; and
- LACDA Incentives.

For additional information regarding the upcoming event, please contact us at: (626) 586-1984 opendoors@lacda.org

#### **MARCH EVENTS**

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 1, 2023
10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
Zoom Link:
https://bit.lv/3PG4tGC

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 15, 2023
3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Zoom Link:
https://bit.ly/3FFJpvk



Calling all owners! The LACDA needs your vacant units! Open Doors benefits property owners financially and provides enhanced customer services to increase the number of rental units available to subsidized families in Los Angeles County's highly competitive rental housing market.

#### **Property owner assurances include:**

- Sign On Bonus;
- Vacancy Loss Payments;
- · Damage Mitigation; and
- Peace Of Mind.

Questions? (626) 586-1984

Opendoors@lacda.org

# **2023 Free Tax Day Events**



#### **Chinatown Service Center**

Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library 318 S Ramona Ave, Monterey Park, CA 91754 Supervisorial District 1 February 9 & 19, March 9 & 16, April 6 Between 9:00am – 5:00pm For more info call (213) 808-1795

#### **Eastmont Community Center**

# Nueva Maravilla Housing 4919 Cesar E Chavez Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90022 Supervisorial District 1 March 3 & 4 Between 9:00am - 3:00pm For more info call (800) 590-8749 Carmelitos Housing 1000 Via Wanda, Long Beach, CA 90805

Supervisorial District 4
March 7 & 8
Between 9:00am – 3:00pm
For more info call (590) 590-8749

#### **Haven Neighborhood Services**

Virginia Park/Pico Branch Library

2200 Virginia Ave, Santa Monica, CA 90404
Supervisorial District 3
February 11, March 8
Between 1:00pm - 5:00pm
For more info call (213) 375-4663
Cerritos College
11110 Alondra Blvd, Cerritos, CA 90650
Supervisorial District 4
March 25
Between 9:00am - 4:00pm
For more info call (213) 375-4663

#### Kaimore Group

Lennox Library
4359 Lennox Blvd, Lennox, CA 90304
Supervisorial District 2
February 18 & 25, March 4, 11 & 18
Between 10:00am - 2:00pm
For more info call (323) 570-2552

#### **Mexican American Opportunity Foundation**

## Mexican American Opportunity Foundation-Headstart

2650 Zoe Ave, Huntington Park, CA 90255 Supervisorial District 4 February 25, March 11 & 25 Between 9:00am – 3:00pm For more info please call (866) 626-3829

#### **Strength Based Community Change**

Lake Los Angeles Library
16921 E Ave O A, Palmdale, CA 93591
Supervisorial District 5
April 6 & 13
Between 9:00am - 1:00pm
For more info please call (661) 264-1111 ext. 7200

Visit <u>FreeTaxPrepLA.org</u> for more information on the free resources available to you this tax season!

Free Tax Prep LA is here to help your family save thousands of dollars this tax season. We offer free, reliable, accessible tax preparation services to all LA county residents — regardless of immigration status — and education on tax credits, like the EITC, that can save you over \$10,000 on your taxes.







