

## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

For What It's Worth (FWIW) is a service for members of the Oklahoma Homebuyer Education Association. We welcome your responses or other information you would like to share with us. Send items to Tricia Auberle at [HomebuyerEd@okacaa.org](mailto:HomebuyerEd@okacaa.org)

**OHEA TRAIN THE TRAINER IS LESS THAN ONE MONTH AWAY.** The final 2017 opportunity for training in preparation for the OHEA Certification examination will be October 2 – 6 at the Oklahoma Weatherization Training Center in Edmond. A registration form for the 5-day class is attached. Please share it with someone you think would benefit from the training.

**Dates changed for OHEA Conference.** We have pushed back the dates for the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Homebuyer Education Conference and the comprehensive continuing education morning workshops one day to November 16 & 17. Please update your calendar. We'll have more details about the conference in the October issue of *For What It's Worth*.

**\$2.5 million still available for low-income homebuyers.** Are you working with people who are developing financial skills and improving their credit? Here is an amazing way to incentivize their participation. The Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka Homeownership Set-Aside Program provides up to \$5,000 per household for down payment, closing costs, and repair assistance for persons with incomes at or below 80% of Area Median Income. Applications are made through FHLB Topeka member banks in Oklahoma and reservations are accepted from May through November 30, with disbursement of funds to be completed within 120 days of reservation approval. You may not have anyone who is ready now, but you should consider this incentive as you work on financial literacy programs with your clients.

**Free continuing education webinars** offered by Counselor's Corner in September include

- Avoiding Foreclosure September 19, 1:00 – 3:00 Central Time
- Credit Smart (4-part series) September 14, 21, 28 and October 5; 1:00 – 2:30 Central Time
  - You must attend all 4 parts to receive certification. Earns 6 hours of OHEA continuing education credit
  - You will be enrolled in a bonus session on Supercharging your Credit Counseling Program. This session is not approved for OHEA continuing education credit.

Register at [www.thecounselorscorner.net](http://www.thecounselorscorner.net). OHEA continuing education credit is available for participants who document their participation by sending completion certificates to [homebuyerred@okacaa.org](mailto:homebuyerred@okacaa.org).

The Oklahoma Coalition for Affordable Housing is presenting housing forums in Ardmore on September 19 and in Midwest City on September 26. The forums are focused on rental housing but many of our members are with agencies that do both rental and purchase programs, so I am including the announcement here. No OHEA continuing education credit is given for this event. The forum is free but you must register at [www.affordablehousingcoalition.org](http://www.affordablehousingcoalition.org).

**2017 Calendar of OHEA Events.** (Subject to funding and minimum participation requirements)

October 2 – 6 OHEA Train the Trainer classroom session

**Revised date:** November 16 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Homebuyer Education Conference

**Revised date:** November 17 Comprehensive Continuing Education morning workshop

Events are held at the Oklahoma Weatherization Training Center, 605 Centennial Blvd., Edmond, Oklahoma 73013.

Watch for details and registration forms in future issues.

**Term of the month: Ability to repay** – a legislative requirement in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act that a lender must document a borrower is able to repay the amount borrowed

OKLAHOMA HOMEBUYER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION  
CERTIFICATION FOR HOMEBUYER EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS  
**October 2 – 6, 2017 Register by September 25 to ensure your place**  
**Payment due by start of class**  
**Oklahoma Weatherization Training Center, 605 Centennial Blvd., Edmond, OK 73013**  
Monday through Thursday 8:30 to 4:30 □ Friday 8:30-11:45 class, 1:15 certification exam

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list your name exactly as you want it printed on your certificate)

Nickname for your badge \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

(used only in case of emergency cancellation)

**PAYMENT INFORMATION**

**Registration: \$475 for non-members**  
**\$450 for paid OHEA members**

**To pay by credit card please call or email**  
[HomebuyerEd@okacaa.org](mailto:HomebuyerEd@okacaa.org) and request a credit  
card payment information form.

**Make checks payable to OKACAA and mail to:**

OHEA c/o OKACAA  
605 Centennial Blvd.  
Edmond, OK 73013  
Fax: 405-509-2712

Purchase order enclosed. P.O.# \_\_\_\_\_

**Class Hours** Class begins promptly at 8:30 and we  
finish at 4:30 on Monday through Thursday. Friday class  
is 8:30 - 11:45. The certification exam begins at 1:15.  
You are free to leave after you finish the exam.

**Payment and Cancellation Policies**

Payment in full must be received by the start of class.  
Tuition credits toward future sessions will be issued for  
cancellation given the Friday before the class starts.  
Tuition credits are transferrable. No credit is given  
without one business day notice.

**Class Attire** is business casual. We strongly suggest  
that you dress in layers. It is impossible to find a  
thermostat setting that is right for everyone in the room.  
Please bring a light sweater or jacket to ensure you will  
be comfortable.

**ACCOMODATIONS.** Contact OHEA for a list of hotels  
near the Weatherization Training Center with which we  
have negotiated rates.

**Directions.** The Oklahoma Weatherization Training  
Center is located at 605 Centennial Blvd., Edmond, OK  
73013. From I-35 or US-77/Broadway Extension: go  
west on 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn south on Fretz (first stoplight  
after the railroad tracks). Follow Fretz and it will  
eventually turn west and become Centennial Blvd. The  
training center is on the right on the northeast corner of  
Centennial Blvd. and Linda Lane.

**For additional information contact**

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**Please call the instructors if you are delayed the  
morning of the class: 405-949-1495**

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