



#### Orange County, Florida Quarterly Newsletter Fall 2017

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Safe Neighborhood Association A newsletter about issues important to you and your neighbors...

### **Orange County Community Action**

#### Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

LIHEAP is a federally-funded program, providing financial assistance to low-income households in meeting the costs of home heating and cooling for Orange County residents.

To be eligible for LIHEAP, household income may not exceed 150% of the federal poverty level. This represents a gross income of \$17,820 per year for a household of one and \$36,450 per year for a household of four.

LIHEAP offers a yearly home energy credit to help eligible households in meeting the cost of home energy.

LIHEAP phone lines are open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. five days per week. Appointments are scheduled over the telephone by calling (**407-836-7429**) on the first and third Thursday of each month between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM or until all the appointments are booked.

#### LIHEAP Home Energy Credit One benefit per calendar year:

This assistance helps eligible households in meeting the costs of home energy.

Example: If a client receives a Home Energy benefit on April 7, 2016, that client will not be eligible for another Home Energy benefit before April 8, 2017.

Benefits ranges from \$150 to \$475

Note - An emergency or crisis is not an eligibility requirement for this type of assistance.

## LIHEAP Crisis Assistance

One benefit per LIHEAP Fiscal Year:

Cooling Season - April 1 - September 30 OR

Heating Season - October 1 - March 31

Benefit - \$600 maximum per fiscal year.

Note - Seniors 60 years or older cannot receive LIHEAP and EHEAP during the same Season.

#### MEETING REMINDER

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM

August 17th

September 15th

October 20th

Real Life Christian Church 2413 S. Goldenrod Rd, Orlando, FL 32822



Come see our new reader board at the corner of Lake Underhill Road and Chickasaw Trail!

#### **FREE Workshops**

#### **Recharge, Renew and Rejuvenate! Avoiding Leadership Burnout** – September 9<sup>th</sup> An interactive workshop where you'll learn techniques to

unleash your leadership super powers and reduce stress from your life.

# Orlando and Orange County History:

**Now and Then** – October 14<sup>th</sup> A fun and entertaining workshop about Orlando and Orange County's rich history.

#### Ask a Lawyer- November 11<sup>th</sup>

An opportunity to speak to lawyers about common issues neighborhood organizations encounter.

Location: 450 E. South St., Orlando, FL 32801 Time: 9 am to 12 noon Contact: Marthaly.Irizarry@ocfl.net or 407.836.2934

If you have specific questions about the Orange County Safe Neighborhoods Program please contact Allison Rice at <u>407.836.5621</u> or go to **www.ocsafeneighborhoods.net/south-goldenrod** 

#### 2017 Community Conference

The 22nd annual Community Conference was held at the Orange County Convention Center on Saturday, July 15, 2017. Mayor Teresa Jacobs honored seven citizens as community champions for their invaluable contributions to our local neighborhoods. Ms. Judy Blackman received District 3's Citizen of the Year award from Commissioner Clarke and the Distinguished Citizen of the Year award went to the One Orlando Alliance.

The conference featured guest speakers and exhibitors presenting various topics including: Ask a Lawyer, Animal Services, Community Gardens, Social Media Outreach, and many more!

We hope to see you next year!

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