

CPV review



central park village

for the former residents and surrounding community of central park

THA is applying for Neighborhood Stabilization funds for the Encore District: learn more at:
<http://www.thafi.com/nsp2/>

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FIRST COMPLETED CASE PLANS

THA is celebrating it's first set of Central Park Residents to complete their case plans. We congratulate the following residents; **Alfred Staley, Inez Priester and Bethany Robinson** for making a commitment to better themselves and complete their relocation and CSS case plan. As promised these residents have received a home computer system as their reward.



*Inez Priester and
CSS Manager Rosa Hill*



*Alfred Staley with his new
Computer System*



Bethany Robinson receives her certificate of completion.

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ACHIEVERS MOTIVATIONAL SERIES UPDATE

The April and May Achievers Motivational Series meetings were very successful. Ms. Katie McGill was motivational speaker for both meetings. She used lots of props, personal stories and jokes to get her point across. With each successive meeting more achievers could be seen taking notes in order to take the message home with them. Ms. McGill finished her time as speaker for the series. A new speaker will join the series for the next 4 meetings and another speaker with a different message will finish out the last 4 meetings of the series. We are grateful that these **24** residents have made the commitment to this year long series so that they can see that they can create their own changes and reach the next level of success in their lives.



Pictured left to right: Katie McGill uses one of her special props, the achiever's and THA staff squeeze in for a smile, Ms. Alice Parks takes notes during the Ms. McGill's speech.

ENCORE UPDATE

Recently the Tampa Housing Authority Construction staff and contractors have been surveying the St. James Episcopal Church building to determine what renovations need to be made. This is done in order to prepare the building for its next use in the new Encore District as an African-American History museum. Also, the contractors for Encore have begun staging scaffolding and equipment on site so that they are ready to get building as soon as funding becomes available for the project. The Housing Authority and Bank of America are partnering with the City of Tampa to apply to the federal government for funding for the infrastructure (roads, water lines, etc...) through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2, visit <http://www.thafl.com/nsp2/> for more information.



Contractor staging on site



THA Staff and Contractors exploring St. James Church

RESIDENT HIGHLIGHTS



Demecca Freeman (pictured left) has received her GED. She was the Administrator Award Sliver Stole Award Recipient for scoring on the Honor Level on her GED Test. She graduated @ The Fairgrounds on June 4, 2009.

Veronica Long (pictured right) received the Geraldine Barnes resident award for her achievements.



Taunya Sanders graduated from the Leary Technical CNA program.

Gus Williams received his Medical Assistant Diploma from the Concorde Career Institute.

Shaqwana Reynolds (pictured right) passed her GED test and received her high school diploma in March.



Alton Smith and **Shareca Barnes** both graduated from the latest financial literacy class.

YOUTH CORNER



Horicka Donald (daughter of Brenda Donald) is a finalist for the Dr. Margaret Fischer Scholarship.

Zachary Thompson (our highlight from the Fall Newsletter for winning a Housing Heroes Scholarship) has chosen a school and will be attending the University of South Florida in the Fall.

Tianna Adams earned placement on both the Honor Roll and Principal's Honor Roll this year at West Shore Elementary.

Justin Adams was selected as a Academy of Reading All Star at Robinson High School.

Akeem Scott, Dantres Butler, William Barnhill, and **Cherron Hubbard** are enrolled in the THA/Workforce job training program at the Center for Affordable Homeownership.

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

ANNUAL ELDERLY AFFAIRS DAY

Took place May 14th at the newly completed Oaks at Riverview Aging Services Center at the Oaks at Riverview Hope VI site. Several of our former Central Park Senior residents participated in the festivities.

Pictured from left: Ethel Golfin, Inez Priester, Alfred Staley and Mary Williams



COMMITTING TO HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

Former CPV residents **Tabatha Verriett, Antoinette Turner,** and **Margaret Alford** recently participated in a special workshop entitled "Building Blocks to Healthy Relationships" held by the Hillsborough County Head Start program.

Pictured from left: 1st is Tabatha Verriett, 4th is Antoinette Turner, and 5th is Margaret Alford

Fellow resident **Vivian Hickey** passed away June 19th, 2009 after a long illness. Her funeral was held Friday, June 26th. Our condolences to her family and loved ones.

from the president/CEO



Dear Former Residents of Central Park Village,

Greetings and congratulations once again to the many former residents of central park village who are taking full advantage of the programs and support services made available through our CSS Case Management team. The first three residents to complete their CSS Case Plans (Mr. Alfred Staley, Ms. Inez Priester, and Ms. Bethany Robinson) were awarded their new computer systems as recognition of their hard work and perseverance over the past 2+ years. And for those residents who are participants in the Achiever's Motivational Series I encourage you to continue to take in all the wisdom being dispensed and realize that there is nothing more important than finding your true Purpose in Life.

As the summer begins be sure to get your school age children plugged into a safe and positive summertime activity. If you have not already identified a summertime activity for them please contact your case manager who can refer you to one of our many partners (Boys and Girls Club, Tampa Recreation Department, Oaks Community Center, and many others).

Sincerely,

Jerome D. Ryans
President / CEO

CLASSES & SERVICES

GED Classes

M - Th 8 am - 11:30 am
and 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
1800 N. Rome

Job and Career Services

offered daily 8 am-5 pm
contact your Case Manager

JOBS

Contact 813-253-0551 ext.364

Continue to check the "Careers" section of our website below for job openings.

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