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Learn How to Save Your Home at Free Counseling Clinic this Saturday

San Diego Council President Tony Young to join home counselors, tax consultants, attorneys, lenders and REALTORS® at New Creation Church in Chollas Creek

SAN DIEGO, Calif. – June 22, 2012: The San Diego Association of REALTORS® (SDAR) is participating in a <u>free homeowners counseling clinic</u> with the Housing Opportunities Collaborative (HOC) to help people faced with the possibility of losing their home find a positive resolution.

 The event is Saturday (June 23) from 10AM to 2PM at New Creation Church: 3115 Altadena Avenue, San Diego 92105

Housing counselors, tax consultants, REALTORS®, lenders and community service organizations will be on hand to help homeowners. Information about short sales, bankruptcy, credit restoration and other programs offered through "Keep Your Home California" will be available, in addition to one-on-one counseling from HUD-approved representatives and free legal advice from local attorneys.

SDAR and HOC will be joined by San Diego City Council President Tony Young to support the counseling efforts and recognize the 40th anniversary of the New Creation Church in Chollas Creek. Young will be at the church from 10AM to 11AM.

"Families today have more challenges in buying or keeping a home than have been experienced in generations," Young said. "It is important to offer programs like this to assist low and moderate income families in hard-hit communities who are struggling to meet their housing needs."

Seating is limited, and advance registration is recommended. However, walk-ins are welcome. To attend, send your name, address and telephone number to HomeClinic@housingcollaborative.org or call (619) 283-2200.

"As real estate professionals, we're proud to be involved in this important public service to homeowners in our community who need to know the options available to help them keep their homes," said Donna Sanfilippo, SDAR's Board President. "Together, we can help everyone navigate this housing crisis."



This is the 100th HOME Clinic for distressed homeowners sponsored by the non-profit HOC, which works to assist and educate homeowners and home buyers. HOC is a coalition of housing counseling and related agencies and a local HUD-approved housing counseling agency. Learn more at www.HousingCollaborative.org.

"With responsible partners who make the delivery of innovative solutions to improve the community as a part how they do business, such as SDAR, the Housing Opportunities Collaborative can continue to deliver our products and services to the community," said Vino Pajanor, HOC's President and Executive Director.

<u>The San Diego Association of REALTORS®</u> is dedicated to preserving private property rights and to promoting and protecting the business interests of its REALTOR® members. SDAR's membership stands at more than 12,000, making it the largest realtor's association in San Diego County and one of the largest in California. You can follow SDAR on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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