

Headlines



Understanding Your Credit to become a Successful Homebuyer

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Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation and Quad City Bank & Trust will host a workshop Tuesday April 8, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30 to help consumers understand their credit and better prepare for homeownership. This event is one of more than forty free classes, seminars and activities promoting financial education that will take place during the Quad Cities Money Smart Week April 5-12.

Participants can stop by any time between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Center 630 Martin Luther King Drive, Rock Island. Financial Counselors will be on site to help attendees access and understand their free credit report. Attendees will learn more about what their credit score means and how they can improve it. Together, these tips will help participants learn how to better prepare for purchasing a home.

This event is being held in conjunction with the free Tax Preparation services being provided by the Center for Economic Progress at the Martin Luther King Center.

RSVP is encouraged but not required. To pre-register for the event, please contact Sonia Cervantes (309) 743-7724 scervantes@qcbt.com.

Coordinated by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and its Money Smart partners, Money Smart Week is designed to educate consumers about money management and create awareness of financial education programs on a wide range of topics such as budgeting, saving and using credit wisely.

"Money Smart Week continues to provide many different opportunities for people to learn about managing their personal finances," said Chicago Fed President Charles Evans. "This year's calendar features diverse and numerous events for a broad range of consumers. During this week, attendees will have many chances to learn where good personal finance information is available."

Additional information and a calendar of events for this year's Money Smart Week and locations for Free Tax Preparation services are available at www.qcdollarwise.org and www.moneysmartweek.org.