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UNHS NeighborWorks® HomeOwnership Center Receives Grant

January 25, 2012 (Utica, NY) – The HomeOwnership Center has received a \$3,500 grant from Berkshire Bank to fund homeownership education and counseling initiatives throughout Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties.

Donations from lending institutions such as Berkshire Bank help develop and enhance existing education and counseling programs at The HomeOwnership Center that build strong communities and empower residents to make educated financial decisions.

For more information about The HomeOwnership Center's Educational Classes or one-on-one counseling for existing or prospective homeowners, please call 315-724-4197 or visit www.thehomeownershipcenter.org for more information.

Chartered in 1979 by NeighborWorks America, The UNHS NeighborWorks® HomeOwnership Center has been the leader in housing initiatives for more than 30 years. Through various programs such as Home Buyer Education, Post-Purchase Education and Pre-purchase Counseling, the certified and trained staff at the HOC offers a multitude of services on HomeOwnership. The HOC is your one-stop shop for HomeOwnership, serving Oneida, Herkimer and Madison counties.



From left: George Acee, Director of HomeOwnership Services, HomeOwnership Center and Timothy Rubery, Vice President, Berkshire Bank.

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