



Mi CASA Newsletter

SPRING 2009

What is the Mi CASA Program?

The Mi CASA (Career Advancement & Self-Sufficiency Assistance) Program was created to serve the needs of residents located in the Tobin Hill, Alta Vista, Beacon Hill, and Five Points (78212 zip code) areas. We assist low-to-moderate income families become more self-sufficient by providing a place where you can receive FREE comprehensive job preparation and job search assistance, computer skills training, college preparation, Homebuyer education and assistance, and financial literacy information. All services are available at the Seguir Adelante Community Center, located on the San Antonio College campus.



Individual Career Counseling

Individuals will have an opportunity to participate in one-on-one career planning. We provide career exploration, interest/skills assessments, decision-making, and action planning toward pursuing your career goals.

Career Workshops

We offer workshops on career exploration, job readiness, job search assistance, college preparation, resume writing, interviewing skills, and leadership skills. We also offer assistance with creating a portfolio and participants will leave with a portfolio in-hand upon completion of the service.

Computer Skills Training

We offer group and one-on-one computer training for individuals who want to build their computer skills. This includes an introduction to computer basics, learning how to use the keyboard & mouse, how to surf the web or gain email access, and learning the basics of MS Office programs

Homebuyer Education

In conjunction with our community partners, we will provide residents with mortgage planning, prequalification opportunities, Fair Housing assistance, and homebuyer down payment assistance (up to \$35,000).

Financial Literacy

We have also partnered with local banking institutions to offer assistance with money management, opening checking/savings accounts, and credit issues.

Social Services Screening

Community partners also provide on-site application assistance for: food stamps, Medicaid, CHIP, WIC, TANF, and referrals to other community assistance resources.

Se habla Español

Job Search Assistance

We are happy to announce that we now have a full-time Job Placement Specialist to work with our clients! With this addition, we are able to provide job search and referral assistance.

The first step in the process is to create an individual job development plan with each person.

We then customize our services to assist each client. Activities for our clients include Job Fairs, Employer Workshops, and Job Networking Sessions. We also maintain information on local upcoming job fairs as well as full-time and part-time job announcements. Finally, we provide clients with tools: application skills, resume writing skills, interviewing skills and

job search techniques (including job search on the internet) so they are fully prepared to transition to the workplace.

For more information, please contact Edgar Medina, Sr. Job Placement Specialist, at (210) 486-1590.

Neighborhood Job Fair

TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

9:00am - 12:00pm

Seguir Adelante Community Center

703 Howard Street

(corner of Howard & Evergreen)

Don't forget!

Bring copies of your resume

Dress professionally

Be prepared for an interview

Bring your best attitude

Homebuyer Fair

- Want to own your own home, but don't know where to start?
- Don't have enough \$\$\$ for a down payment?
- Need foreclosure prevention assistance?

Attend our Homebuyer Fair!

THURSDAY

MAY 14TH

1:30pm - 3:30pm

Outside the McAllister Auditorium

San Antonio College
(corner of San Pedro & Courtland)



SPRING EVENTS

2009 "WE" WOMEN EMPOWERED CONFERENCE

A FREE one day motivational conference for women!

Information sessions to help women succeed on the job, recognize their leadership potential and enhance self confidence. Workshop tracks include: Career Exploration, Personal Career Enhancement, Leadership Development, College Information, and workshops in Spanish.

Thursday, May 14th, 2009

Starting at 9:00am

San Antonio College/McAllister Auditorium
(corner of San Pedro & Courtland)

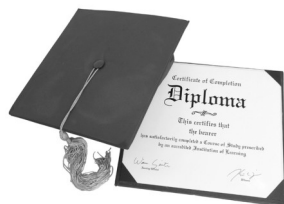
Please Call (210) 733-2299 to register

Scholarships Available for San Antonio College Fall 2009

GED SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

- Are you ready to take the GED test but can't afford the cost?
- Do you want to learn about the many opportunities available after you get your GED?

If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, San Antonio College is here to help!



For more information, please contact us at the Seguir Adelante Community Center.

SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE

Programs & Services for Women & Non-Traditional Students

WOMEN'S CENTER • SEGUIR ADELANTE COMMUNITY CENTER • MI CASA CENTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

Seguir Adelante Community Center
703 Howard Street
(on the corner of Howard & Evergreen)
(210) 486-1590
Hours: Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm
(Closed from 12pm-1pm for lunch)



The Alamo Community Colleges are Equal Opportunity Employers. For any special accommodations issues or an alternate format, contact San Antonio College disABILITY Support Services at (210) 733

The work that provided the basis for this publication was supported by funding under Grant Number HSIAC-07-TX-04 with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of University Partnerships. The author and publisher are solely responsible for the accuracy of the statements and interpretations contained in this publications. Such interpretations do not necessarily reflect the views of the Government.