

HIGHER HEIGHTS COMMUNITY NEWS

The official newsletter of Higher Heights Community Church & Higher Heights Community Development Corporation

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Higher Heights Community Church & Higher Heights Community Development Corp (HHCC/CDC) monthly newsletter provides information about the church as well as our work and partnerships within the community.

For opportunities to be featured in the monthly newsletter, please email your submissions to news@hhcchurch.org.

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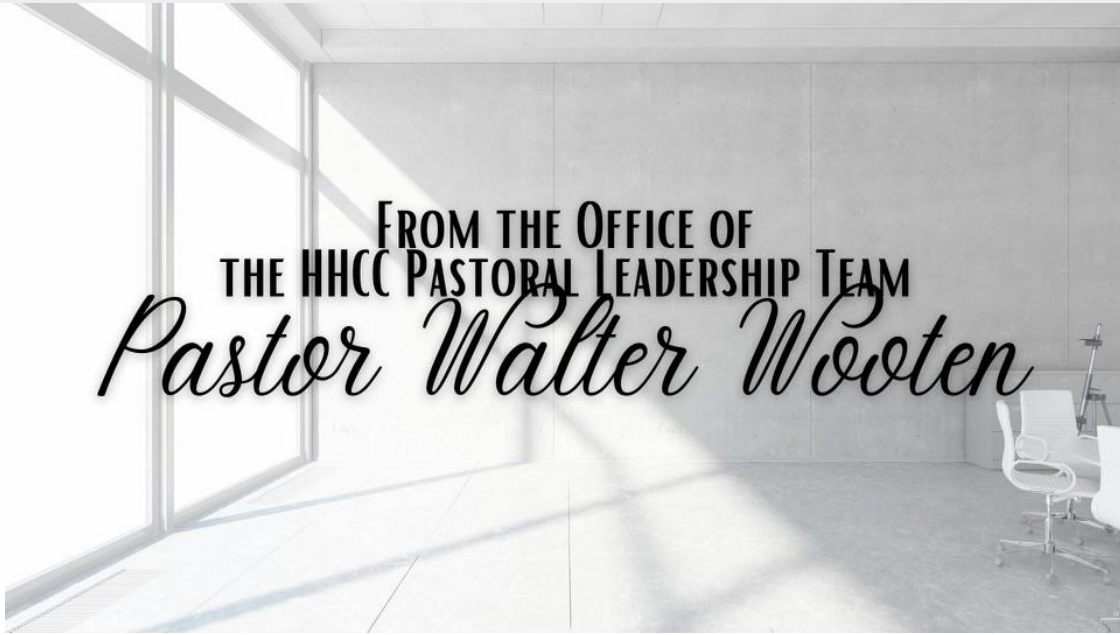
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FROM THE OFFICE OF
THE HHCC PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM
Pastor Walter Wooten

Blessings to everyone in the name of Jesus. As we embark on a new month, this is a fresh start and a new chapter in our lives. I want to encourage everyone to begin to expect God to bring about great things in your life, my life, and in the lives of all those who profess to know Jesus in their hearts.

Get ready to receive a greater outpouring of His presence and His favor, and may His blessings rest upon each one of us. Ask and it shall be given, seek and ye shall find, knock and the door will be opened to you. Get ready to walk through the open door. Your blessings, your breakthrough, everything you want and desire from the Lord is on the other side of the door.

Be blessed,
Pastor Wooten

Welcome
MOTHER
MARILYN



THE NEWEST HHCC PARTNER

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Welcome to the Newest HHCC Partner!

HHCC continues to go beyond the four walls of the church building and into the community to share the good news. As we do the work that God has called us to do, the church continues to grow. In March 2024, we had 12 individuals visit the ministry and we welcomed one unnamed individual to the Kingdom of God as they accepted Christ as their personal Savior. We also welcomed a new partner to the HHCC family. Please join us in celebrating our newest partner, Mother Marilyn Johnson.

As God continues to grow our ministry and as we see individuals come to know Christ, we will continue to share so that you too may celebrate the work of the Lord with us.



Arden Arcade HART (Homeless Assistance Resource Team)

Arden Arcade HART formed in 2019. Its mission is to provide resources to assist community members experiencing homelessness.

AA HART's Board of Directors is comprised of a group of volunteers from various organizations, many of them faith based, and also representatives from neighborhood organizations, and the business community.

AA HART invites any and all individuals and local organizations to join this group to assist in the effort to resolve the community of suffering that is homelessness.

AA HART's donation and distribution center, operating out of The Good Shepherd Church this past few years, has accomplished the following in the past 12 months:

Street Outreach

Arden Arcade HART provides daily meal distribution to encampments plus clothing, sleeping bags, tents, and more. Transportation support is also available.

Arden Arcade HART supports outreach workers such as Mercy Pedalers and Housing Navigators. [Mercy Pedalers](#) are bicyclers and tricycles reaching out to men and women experiencing homelessness on the streets. Housing Navigators go out in the community and meet people experiencing homelessness where they are located to offer resources and connect them to programs. Meals distributed have mounted to 10,400 over the last 12 months.

Additionally, the following has been distributed through donations: 50 snack bags for elementary students in the San Juan unified School district; 50 hygiene kits a month for the teens and then gas cards and gift cards for the families that are all housing challenged; 1600 hygiene kits, 150 sleeping bags, 55 tarps, 80 blankets, 455 socks, 835 pairs of shoes, 30 T-shirts, 35 hats, 45 coats, and 80 miscellaneous clothing — jeans and sweats.

Youth Programs & Outreach

Arden Arcade HART provides monthly snack bags and hygiene bags for McKenney Vento students in the San Juan Unified School District experiencing or at risk of homelessness. AA HART has also contributed significant volunteer staff time to organize the Clothing Closet at Encina High School, which serves both students and families.

AA HART is grateful to all who have participated in its effort to relieve the struggle our unhoused face each and every day here in Arden Arcade, and we can't thank our donors enough.

This year for the first time, Arden Arcade HART will be participating in the The Big Day of Giving. We hope you will consider donating a few dollars to our cause on May 2, 2024.

For more information about Arden Arcade HART, or to communicate with Arden Arcade HART Leadership, visit our FB Page, or contact: Jeannie Anderson West at jeannieamd@gmail.com or 916-719-0382.

[More about AA HART](#)

HIGHER HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CHURCH PRESENTS

FREE WORKSHOP

**CREATE A LEGACY
BECOME A HOMEOWNER**

**Saturday, April 27, 2024
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

REGISTER HERE. 

There will be an opportunity for personalized discussion after the workshop.

LEARN ABOUT:

- Renting vs Owning
- Understanding Credit
- Credit Restoration
- Down Payment Assistance
- The Loan Process
- What to Expect at Closing
- And more

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Make an Impact: Create A Legacy, Become A Homeowner Workshop

Welcome to the "Create A Legacy! Become A Homeowner!" Workshop at Higher Heights Community Church! Are you ready to take the next step towards owning your dream home? Join us for a day filled with valuable information, expert advice, and resources to help you achieve your goal of becoming a homeowner. Don't miss out on this opportunity to secure your future and create a lasting legacy for you and your family.

You will learn about:

- Renting vs Owning
- Understanding Credit
- Credit Restoration
- Down Payment Assistance
- The Loan Process
- What to Expect at Closing
- And more!

There will also be an hour after the workshop set aside to meet one on one with the instructors to see where you are in your process.

Light refreshments will be provided. See you there!

[Register Here](#)

In Case You Missed the Last Impact Workshop

On February 24, 2024, HHCC hosted its first community workshop entitled, Making an Impact: Financial Keys for Immediate Results. This workshop revealed tips for a financial increase. Here's what attendees had to say about the workshop:

"The workshop was definitely helpful and an encouraging reminder to start somewhere. I love the little budget planners we were given. I believe more churches should offer courses like this. Practical tools to help us flourish."

– T-Keyah Dennis

"The workshop hit a lot of important points regarding finances. I don't plan on buying a house super soon, but I would love to still go and take notes for the future."

– Ashley Landry

We look forward to seeing you at the Homeowner's workshop.

Enjoy the highlights.

TO SAVE A LIFE
ONE PILL CAN KILL

LEARN:

- Statistics effecting every age
- What forms Fentanyl can come in
- What is Narcan & how to administer it properly

WHEN: Thursday, April 18th 7:00PM
Doors open at 6:30pm

WHERE: Family Community Church
6331 Watt Avenue, N. Highlands, CA 95660

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Free
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Let us know you're coming for a free gift & giveaways

To Save A Life: One Pill Can Kill Community Event

Fentanyl poisoning is a deadly drug that continues to take lives daily. Arrive Alive California Inc, Family Community Church, and Night Watch Security have come together to present a community workshop that will share the crisis every age group in our community is facing. You will gain an understanding about what forms Fentanyl can come in, what is Narcan, and how to administer it properly.

There is no charge for this event which will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 7:00 PM at Family Community Church, 6631 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, CA 95660.

To register for this event, visit the event registration page. For more information, call 916-334-7700.

[Register Here](#)



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What is Higher Heights Community Development Corporation (HHCDC)?

Higher Heights Community Development Corporation is a non-profit organization designed to serve the underserved.

THE MISSION of HHCDC is to provide a nurturing environment for those experiencing adverse circumstances while addressing basic needs in such areas as housing, economic mobility, and good health.

THE VISION of HHCDC is to empower individuals to believe in hope, while engaging in the process of healing, attaining housing, and economically advancing.

THE GOAL of HHCDC is to soon provide a housing program which will serve as a transition to economic mobility and advancement. This program will provide:

1. A safe living environment.
2. Programs and resources to offer a) business development in preparation for sustainability in employment, b) financial literacy to prepare not only for self-stability but also for leaving a legacy, and c) hope.
3. Access to health and wellness resources such as counseling, support groups, and mental & spiritual health support.

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE

There are many ways to contribute to Higher Heights Community Development Corporation. Your contribution will improve the quality of life for underserved families. All contributions are exempt from federal income tax under IRC Section 501(c)3.

MONETARY DONATION:

- Click the "DONATE" link below
- Via CashApp using \$hhcdc
- Write a check payable to "HHCDC" and mail it to 2230 Arden Way, Suite H, Sacramento, CA 95825.

For more information on contributing to Higher Heights Community Development Corporation email finance@hhcommunity.org.

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME:

HHCDC needs volunteers for its community events. Volunteers are also needed to mentor/tutor community youth. Additionally, we are seeking volunteers to assist with special events and fundraising activities.

Email volunteer@hhcommunity.org for more information.

IN-KIND DONATIONS:

HHCDC accepts donations of paper, envelopes and other office supplies. We also need auction items for fundraising events. Below is a partial "Wish List."

- Three laptop computers for Job Referral and Resource Center Program
- One printer for Job Referral and Resource Center Program

- Canned food
- Service donations including computer training, tutoring...
- High-quality auction items including artwork, sports memorabilia, collectibles, hotel stays, timeshares, tickets to cultural events or sports games, restaurant meals, etc.

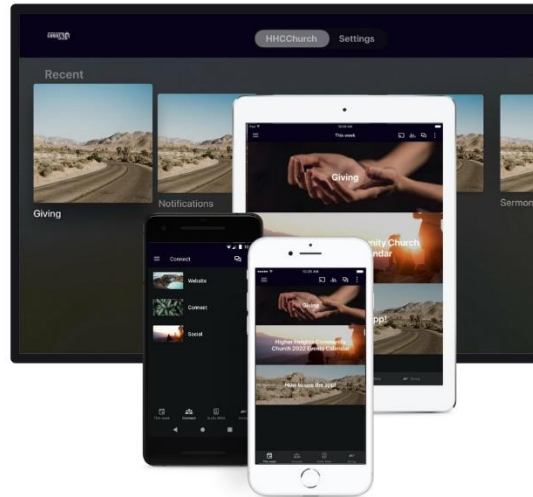
Email inkind@hhcommunity.org to make an in-kind donation.

[More about HHCDCDonate Here](#)



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Stay Connected! Download the HHCChurch App

The "**HHCChurch**" App will help you stay connected with the day-to day life of our church. With this app you can: watch or listen to past messages; stay up to date with push notifications; share your favorite messages via social media or email; and download messages for offline listening. You will have the benefits of an online bible, taking notes, listening to LIFT radio, and communicating with other users.

You may download the app from your iTunes App Store, Google Play, Amazon Appstore, or download directly from your Roku Channel Store. For more information click the download button below.

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@
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HCCChurch's Ways to Give

HCCChurch is a Church that is into what God is up to. When you give through HHCC, your contribution brings hope and healing to our community. Thank you for your generosity.

To secure your giving, we will no longer use CashApp or Givelify as ways to give. As of January 1, 2024, the ways to give to HCCChurch are as follows:

- Via our website at <https://hccchurch.org>
- Via the "[HCCChurch](#)" mobile app
- Text HHCCGive to 888-364-GIVE (4483)

If you have any questions or concerns, please email the HHCC Finance team at finance@hccchurch.org or contact the church office at 916-723-0440.



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