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EFAA's Calendar Corner

Saturday, April 26th 1 to 4pm

Join us for our first Housing Resource Fair!



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Join EFAA along with the City of Boulder and Boulder Housing Partners at this Housing Resource Fair, where you can get information on mediation services, legal advice, affordable housing, housing subsidies, financial assistance programs for rent, home buying and much more! All this thanks to the participation of different organizations and programs that provide housing support in the city, such as non-profit organizations, government programs and affordable housing providers. The idea came from the Participant Advisory Committee (PAC): "Our Boulder community is very concerned about the high cost of housing and the lack of affordable rental or purchase properties," says Victor L, who together with Susan G, both members of the PAC, are organizing this fair for the community. When? April 26th from 1 to 4 pm Where? North Boulder Recreational Center

(3170 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80304)

We look forward to seeing you there!

Much more than books: BOULDER PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Boulder Public Library is a centerpiece of the community, a destination for human connection, lifelong learning, civic engagement, and creative exploration. Did you know that:

- Boulder Public Library provides programs and services for the entire family.
- you can access not only books but also movies, television shows and music
- learn and strengthen your English skills for adults 18 and older
- enjoy a variety of children's programs and activities
- access a dedicated space for teens
- take one of many community workshops and use dedicated spaces for hands on learning
- book a meeting room for free
- Enjoy a performance at the Canyon theatre, or book it for your own community event
- find out more about Boulder County history at Carnegie branch

To find more information including daily events: b<u>oulderlibrary.org</u>



LIBRARY LOCATIONS AND HOURS

MAIN:	1001 Arapahoe Ave., Boulder CO 80302
REYNOLDS:	3595 Table Mesa Dr., Boulder, CO 80305
NOBO:	4500 13th Street, Boulder, CO 80304
MEADOWS:	4800 Baseline Rd., Boulder, CO 80303 Unit C112

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

CARNEGIE: 1125 Pine St, Boulder, CO 80302 (open by appointment only.)

EFAA NEWSLETTER

My name is Indira Kumari

I am a working mother of twins and an immigrant from Nepal. I was first introduced to EFAA in 2014 with my twins 14 months old then, and a husband. I was living in Boulder before and came back again with my family. The first place I went to is EFAA to seek some help as I was almost homeless because I was sharing one small bedroom that was shared by my friend. I was profoundly happy to find out that EFAA has introduced me to multiple resources which they suggested me to get into it. (From short term housing to long term housing, food bank, basic needs help, like paying off some rent while family settles down with various different projects, medical help, car repair etc) I found out I got into the short-term housing after about a 4 week wait. The case worker was so nice that she would get us food for us from the food bank as we didn't have a car. Eventually, I moved to short term housing through EFAA up on 9th street, a beautiful surrounding. My case worker was a great support system and provided me with strategies to pay off debt. EFAA helped me in obtaining the long-term transitional housing, a two-year program such a great benefit if people are qualified for this. It helped me become more self-sufficient. While I was in the long-term housing, I applied for the FSS (Family Self-Sufficiency) housing program.

I got out of transitional housing in 1.5 yrs and got into FSS housing after a year and half. I was able to buy my own home through City of Boulder Affordable housing program. Now, I am a medical assistant.



My passion was to help the community by serving them with what I liked to do. So, I obtained my medical assistant certificate and am very proud about it. I also volunteer now as а PAC member (Participant Advisorv Committee) at EFAA where I help mv community members access the various resources and give the feedback what is working and what is not and how can EFAA improve. Throughout all these journeys, EFAA has helped me tremendously. It is s such a great organization. EFAA has been a bone for my family. Therefore, it's my time now to give back to the community by actively participating in various projects, programs and committees.

Interested in joining the PAC? Complete your application here: forms.office.com/r/pRtcWzACgu



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