

Resident Council training inspires shared vision

Greensboro Housing Authority held Resident Council Leadership Training in March at its Claremont Courts Community Center. The all-day event's agenda included education of the Resident Council's roles and responsibilities, inspiring a shared vision and empowering Resident Councils with the resources and support to aid in leading their communities. The training combined seminar-style lecture and interactive participation throughout the day with an emphasis placed on the federal regulations regarding resident councils. The functions of each Resident Council officer were reviewed along with the important role each officer plays in their community.



Resident Council Officers attend training at Claremont Courts' community building.

The positives of each community were highlighted at the beginning of the day and officers were made aware of the importance of knowing the positives of their community in their role as "ambassadors" of their community.

Beatrice Smith, the facilitator and trainer for the event, shared her expertise that was acquired over her 30 years of experience in the housing and community development fields, ten of which was working with and developing resident councils and the resident advisory board. Each resident council was given the **Realistic Approaches to Developing Active Residents (RADAR)** Workbook and CD, which reinforces the information presented during the training, to take back to their community as they continue their important work of leadership.