

# Free homebuyer classes offered

**Wednesday, January 7, 2009**

DOVER — The Housing Partnership, a Portsmouth nonprofit organization, is offering a free homebuyer education seminar over four evenings in Dover, Jan. 13, 14, 20 and 21 from 6-8 p.m.

The agency offers 8 hours of comprehensive homebuyer education to individuals considering a home purchase through its Homeward Bound Program. Participants learn the tools needed to navigate the complex process of buying a home and the skills required to be a successful homeowner.

Homeward Bound is the only HUD-approved homebuyer education course offered in the Seacoast region and satisfies counseling requirements of many special loan and down payment assistance programs.

Topics covered in the course include the Nine Steps to Home Ownership, Building Your Financial House, Understanding Your Credit Report, Understanding Mortgage Terms, Shopping for a Mortgage, Shopping for a Home, Home Inspections, Closing on Your Home and Maintaining Your Home & Finances.

The session is hosted by Ocean Bank at 537 Central Ave., Dover. Pre-registration is required. Sign up online at [www.housingpartnership.org](http://www.housingpartnership.org), send an email to [terryhousingpartnership.org](mailto:terryhousingpartnership.org) or phone (603) 766-3120.