Texas Department of Banking Press Release

Department Hosts Workshops to Improve Financial Literacy Efforts in Texas

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In a survey conducted by the Department in 2006, over 80% of bankers who responded expressed an interest in developing a financial education program in their community; however, less than half have a financial literacy program in place. To assist interested bankers to start or improve their financial literacy efforts, the Department will be hosting Financial Education Workshops in April and May of this year. "Improving the level of financial literacy requires a team effort. These workshops are an excellent opportunity for bankers to network with each other and learn about the different financial education programs in their communities," said Banking Commissioner Randall James.

Workshop participants will learn about innovative ideas and programs that other financial institutions have implemented. There will be a discussion of our insights into the future of financial education and what we believe are key elements to implementing a successful program. The workshops are open to anyone interested and is free of charge. In addition, participants will receive Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits for attendance. Seating for each session is limited. Please RSVP by completing a Financial Education Workshop Registration Form.

City	Date	Time	Location
El Paso	Tuesday, April 3, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Camino Real Hotel 101 S. El Paso Street 915-534-3050
Houston	Thursday, April 12, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Crown Plaza NW Hotel 12801 NW Freeway 713-462-9977
McAllen	Tuesday, April 17, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Renaissance Casa de Palmas Hotel 101 N. Main Street 956-664-8085
Amarillo	Wednesday, April 25, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Ambassador Hotel 3100 I-40 West 806-358-6161
San Antonio	Thursday, April 26, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Omni Hotel 9821 Colonnade Blvd 210-699-5835
Corpus Christi	Thursday, May 3, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Embassy Suites 4337 South Padre Blvd. 361-853-7899
Dallas	Tuesday, May 8, 2007	8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Crown Plaza Dallas Market Center 7050 Stemmons Freeway 214-259-0505