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Open Forums for Families Who Lost Their Home to Foreclosure to Be Heard and to Help Each Other Move Forward

Throughout the month August 2009, Conversations About Life After Foreclosure will provide families with forums to share their post foreclosure experiences and support each other. Families can participate in person on Monday, August 31, 2009 in the Maryland/DC metro area, or nationally throughout the month either by telephone or by completing an online survey.

Baltimore, MD (July 27, 2009) – There is finally help and support for the hundreds of thousands of Maryland/DC area families, and the millions of families across the country, who have been displaced by foreclosure. [Conversations About Life After Foreclosure](#) are open forums throughout August 2009 to give these families the opportunity to share their experiences, support each other, and learn what other families are doing to move forward. The Conversations finally give foreclosed families a voice.

On Monday, August 31, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. Maryland and DC area families who have moved following foreclosure can participate in a confidential [Conversations About Life After Foreclosure](#) at the Anne Arundel County Library, located at 3501 Russett Common in Laurel, MD. The Conversation is free, open to public, and refreshments will be served. Seating is limited and pre-registration is strongly encouraged at www.PostForeclosureHelp.org.

Nationally, foreclosed families can participate in [Conversations About Life After Foreclosure](#) either by telephone or by submitting their thoughts and comments in an online survey. To preregister for the Laurel, MD event and to access information about the telephone Conversations and the post foreclosure survey, log on to www.PostForeclosureHelp.org.

According to RealtyTrac, for the first six months of 2009, Maryland ranks 15th in state foreclosure rankings, Virginia is 14th, and if the District of Columbia was a State, it would rank 20th. Nationally, the Center for Responsible Lending estimates 2.4 million new foreclosures in 2009, and that 8.1 million families will lose their home to foreclosure between 2009 and 2012.

The Conversations About Life After Foreclosure are co-sponsored by Creating Financial Literacy, LLC and Partnership for Positive Change, Inc. Partnership for Positive Change, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization founded in 2003 to help families increase financial literacy and improve money management.