

JANUARY 2012

AURORA TOWNSHIP

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOP



Wouldn't it be nice if money did grow on trees?

As you reflect on your financial health during 2011:

Were you able to set money aside for future purchases or emergencies? Did you pay at least the minimum balance due on all outstanding

credit each month? Were you able to cut your monthly expenses?

It is time to review your financial savings and spending habits and develop a strategy for improving your financial health for the near and distant future.

Join us on Thursday, January 19th (or Thursday, January 26th for Spanish presentation) when Krystian Reyes of Fifth Third Bank of Aurora will discuss ways to manage your money more responsibly in 2012 by developing a spending budget, learning about the differences between

credit and debit cards, and understanding how to obtain and read your free credit report.

If you have ever used services like payday loans, rent-to-own services, or refund anticipation loans, learn why it is important to be wary of these types of services and how you can establish credit with reputable financial institutions.

Also learn about free tax filing services for low and moderate income taxpayers through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites in the area.

INFORMATION:

- **Community Outreach Programs will be held at the Aurora Township Youth and Community Center, 313 Gale Street, Aurora.**
- **Programs begin at 5:30 p.m. and last approximately 1 hour.**
- **Registration is strongly suggested by calling 630-859-7501.**
- **Community Outreach Programs are free to the public.**
- **Refreshments and door prizes**

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY PRESENTATION

Coming on Thursday, February 16th, Nature Program Manager, Valerie Blaine, from the Forest Preserve District of Kane County will lead an "arm-chair tour" of the preserves in the District and show the diversity of natural areas. Valerie will also provide an overview of the many programs the District offers throughout the county.

As Spring approaches, plan an outing with family and friends to one or all of the preserves in Kane County and enjoy the beauty of nature. Each preserve offers an array of opportunities to hike through fields or woods, bike on a trail, or participate in the many educational programs offered to Kane County residents.