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HOTH-CDC Hires Daniel Ruggiero

Homes on the Hill CDC hired Daniel Ruggiero as Housing Counseling and Education Program Director.

Ruggiero brings with him 11 years of experience in mortgage lending, education, and community development. He holds a B.A. from Davidson College and a M.A. from The Ohio State University. Ruggiero was instrumental in creating Homes on the Hill's Spanish language homebuyer education program in 2002. He comes back to Homes on the Hill from teaching business Spanish and Latin American business culture courses at The Ohio State University.

Ruggiero has a passion for serving community-based groups. He has served on several local nonprofit boards, including NAHREP (National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals), LEON (Latino Empowerment Outreach Network), and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Central Ohio. He also has eight years mortgage lending experience with Huntington National Bank, where he focused on down payment assistance programs for first-time homebuyers.

HOTH-CDC Executive Director Steve Torsell said, "Daniel brings a great deal of knowledge and expertise that will help take our organization to the next level. It is great to welcome him back home."

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Homes on the Hill (HOTH-CDC) is a nonprofit organization providing decent, affordable housing for low- and moderate-income individuals and families and helping to strengthen their neighborhoods. Homes on the Hill is an affiliate of the National Council of La Raza Homeownership Network and is a HUD-certified housing counseling agency. Services include rehabilitation of existing properties and the development of new construction for both rental and homeownership projects; homeownership education programs in English and Spanish; one-on-one homebuyer, credit, and foreclosure counseling in English and Spanish; down payment assistance for qualified buyers; and community development.

