COMMUNITY VOICES HEARD

NOVEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

CVH MONTHLY

FEATURING:
- Lights of Freedom
- Giving Tuesday
- Upcoming Event
- Hudson Valley Update
- Homes Guarantee Kick-Off
- Ella Baker Training

HAPPY Thanksgiving

LIGHTS OF FREEDOM 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION A SUCCESS

LOF Shirley Chisholm Award honorees: Omari Shakur, Ford Foundation, Barbara Terrelonge & Alicia Garza

Dance off against VOCAL-NY. CVH did the wobble and we did not disappoint. We fight hard and dance harder. Who’s up for the next challenge?

Songs in the Key of Resistance performance as we began our awards program. Their beautiful voices chilled the room as we all reflected on the past 25 years, the present day and the years to come.

#GivingTuesday is on December 3rd! Let's do this CVH...

We are just off the heels of our 25th Anniversary and we need your help to set CVH up for success for the year to come. #GivingTuesday, is a global day of giving that is right around the corner! We are asking you to consider placing us at the top of your list. So step up this holiday season be the change all across New York, by making a year-end donation that centers those whose lives are directly affected by the current policies and systems that perpetuate systemic oppression. Plan to Give Today at CVHAction.org/donatecvh

Save the date for our annual WinterFest! December 14th  I  1:00PM to 3:00PM  I  Location TBD
A family friendly event open to all current members!
On Saturday, October 19th members from NYC, Westchester, Orange and Dutchess Counties came to attend our Ella Baker School for Organizing. Members went through a daylong training, where they learned the importance of building relationships through relational meetings based on what people care about and what moves them to act.

The Ella Baker School for Organizing is the leadership development school for CVH members. A group of proven members go deep on: Power, Self-Interest, One to Ones, Base Building, Campaign Development and develop an analysis of what brought us to this place and the power that needs to be built to fight it. For more information please contact Juanita O. Lewis- juanita@cvhaction.org

Poughkeepsie & Newburgh Hold Know and Fight for Your Rights Tenant Forums

CVH chapters in the Cities of Newburgh and Poughkeepsie have held the 1st of many Know and Fight for Your Rights forum for tenants. This is a partnership with the Legal Services of the Hudson Valley. Both forums gave a detailed presentation on the expanded protections secured under the Housing Stability and Protection Act of 2019

Many audience members shared personal stories of negative landlord practices and raised much larger issues affecting their cities. Legal Services attorneys fielded many good questions from participants about the new laws, encouraging tenants to use this knowledge to defend themselves from landlord violations, and to seek counsel in housing court proceedings.

#HomesGuarantee Kick Off in NYC

October 16, our members and organizers joined hundreds of residents, housing organizations and advocates for the official launch of the New York #HomesGuarantee campaign as part of the the Housing Justice for All Coalition. CVH has held three Teach-In’s thus far on the platform and plans to continue discussing with members on how to build power around it.

Read the full plan at www.housingjusticeforall.org

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