

# SPANISH COALITION FOR HOUSING NEWS

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## *Rising Above the Rising Costs*

It seems these days, everywhere you go, the prices of everything from a pack of gum to the weekly groceries keeps increasing at a steady pace, including possible new fees and increases in taxes.

SCH turned to our dedicated counselors to find out more on how these costs will be affecting you and your community. Financial Literacy Coordinator Ruthie Maldonado asserted that:

**"Single mothers, two parent family households, single independents, and more are being affected by this increase to the cost of living. It is important, now more than ever, to ask yourself:**

**'How can I prepare for the amount of expenses that are headed my way?'**

**If you have not started a budget or just have a hard time keeping up with one, now is the time to become best friends with the world of budgeting. This will be the foundation of a solid way of living. That's where I come in, and I will help you through the process step-by-step."**

For some residents however, the effects of these tax increases, especially property tax



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increases, cannot be solved simply through better budgeting. Many residents of the Humboldt Park, Logan Square and West Town are especially worried about massive increases to their property taxes with the recent opening of the Bloomingdale Trail, also known as the "606." As these tax increases are passed on directly to homeowners, even low-income homeowners struggling to make ends meet, SCH worries how these changes will effect our most in need residents.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Homebuyer Workshops:  
in English and Spanish**  
5:00 pm

**Financial Education  
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