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AURORA HOUSING AUTHORITY CELEBRATES RESIDENTS' SUCCESS

Kimberly Harbin was jobless and homeless when she entered the Aurora Housing Authority's Families In Transition program. Through this program, Harbin was able to obtain safe, affordable housing and get a full-time job while raising her four teenagers. In 2005, she graduated from Families In Transition and obtained permanent housing for her family.

Harbin was just one of the residents who were recognized for their achievements at the AHA's annual Celebration of Success, held last month at the Del Mar Senior Center. Residents, families and friends gathered for the event, sponsored by the Aurora Housing Authority, the Aurora Housing Corporation and Stride assistance programs.

Most honorees are graduates of the Corporation's Families in Transition program or the AHA Family Self-Sufficiency program. Many have risen from homelessness to home ownership, or have achieved other goals such as furthering their education and getting better jobs to support their families, according to Preston Prince, AHA executive director.

In addition to Harbin, the honorees were Michelle Ashby, Akeii Bass, Karen Bradford, April Brown, Jan Carr, Sherrieff Davis, Sara Gatlin, Lily Horwitz, Carol LoCicero, Jacqueline Maxwell, Crystel Taylor, Marian Wilson, Keisha Watkins, Tokeida Watkins and Melany Wilson.

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