

## Agency Spotlight: Eleanor Roosevelt Circle



Eleanor Roosevelt Circle is a cooperative partnership of Davis Senior Housing Communities, Neighborhood Partners, LLC, and the Yolo County Housing Authority and is managed by the John Stewart Company. The mission of Eleanor Roosevelt Circle is to provide affordable housing and social service assistance to seniors, and they have been doing so since their grand opening in 2007. ERC works to provide their residents with a comfortable, resourceful community so that they can maintain their independence and housing placement. Each resident has access to the Community Center, which has a library, computers equipped with internet access, a café, kitchen (where food for social activities is prepared), and a large dining hall which is available for various activities like movie screenings. There is also plenty of outdoor space available to residents.

Social Service Coordinator, Ellen Berman, shops at the Food Bank every Friday and says, “ERC residents enjoy receiving produce and bread from the Food Bank of Yolo County. This food serves to supplement their monthly food budget and allows our residents the ability to have money to pay for their rent and other bills”. Residents are given fresh produce and bread on Fridays and are welcome to attend monthly social gatherings like their recent Royal Wedding Tea Party, potlucks, and their staff/resident breakfasts. This month, one of the ERC residents has offered up his cooking skills and will be making homemade pasta sauce (using supplies from the Food Bank) to share with everyone at their potluck.

The next goal for ERC is to begin to offer cooking classes to help address healthy eating habits, including information about low-sodium diets, diabetic diets, and nutrition.

Like any other agency, Eleanor Roosevelt Circle can benefit from increased support from the community. For more information about how you can volunteer or make a donation, please contact them (530) 753-3162 or [eleanor-ss@jSCO.net](mailto:eleanor-ss@jSCO.net). You can also visit their website: <http://www.community.coop/davis/erc/>.