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Central Bank’s National Financial Literacy Programme in Collaboration with the Ministry of Culture and Community Development launches “Community Connect Town Halls”

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. July 9, 2026 – The Central Bank’s National Financial Literacy Programme (NFLP), in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture and Community Development, presents **Community Connect Town Halls**—a free, interactive financial literacy experience that brings financial education directly to communities across Trinidad.

The Community Connect Town Halls is designed to equip members of the public with the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to make informed financial decisions. The programme will be hosted in six communities during July and August 2026, with the first session taking place in **Barrackpore** on **Saturday, July 11, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

The event will feature engaging financial literacy presentations and interactive sessions where participants will experience:

- Hands-on lessons in budgeting, financial planning, and smart spending
- An interactive zone featuring financial institutions and local entrepreneurs
- Activities for children
- Opportunities to engage directly with financial experts and ask questions about managing money effectively

Speaking on the initiative, Mrs. Nicole Crooks, Senior Manager, Human Resources, Industrial and Relations, emphasised the importance of financial literacy as a tool for empowerment and national development:

“Financial literacy goes beyond understanding money—it empowers people to make informed decisions that improve their financial well-being. By strengthening financial knowledge and confidence, we can help citizens build wealth, seize opportunities, and contribute to a stronger and more inclusive economy.”

The Community Connect Town Halls forms part of the NFLP's ongoing commitment to enhancing financial literacy and promoting financial inclusion throughout Trinidad and Tobago.

Community groups, associations, agencies and organisations interested in arranging in-person or virtual financial education group sessions or to invite the Bank to partner on any upcoming initiatives may submit requests via <https://www.central-bank.org.tt/financial-education/financial-education-session/request-a-session/> or contact the Bank at **621-2288** extensions **2816, 2817 or 2818**.

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