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Lincoln Avenue Students Organizes Dance for Orange Housing Authority's Senior Citizens

Orange, New Jersey – After kicking the month off with ‘Senior Day at the Movies’ on February 4 to watch a reenactment of the 1965 voting rights march from Selma to Montgomery, the Orange Housing Authority continues its celebration of Black History Month through dance featuring Lincoln Avenue Elementary School Dance Ensemble.

Dance Ensemble, featuring the choreography by five seventh grade students, performed in front of dozens of seniors at Washington Manor. Dancing to a shorter version of *He Lives in You*, a song performed by Lebo M. and his South African Choir.

“We are honored to have the Lincoln Elementary School Dance Ensemble help us celebrate Black History Month,” said Dr. Walter McNeil, executive director of the Orange Housing Authority. “The art of dance runs deep in African tradition. It was used as a form of expression to galvanize and inspire the community.”

The Orange Housing Authority will continue its series of Black History Month programs with “The Courage to Make a Difference” on February 20 at Washington Manor.

The Orange Housing Authority provides quality and affordable housing for low-and-moderate income families. The rather small agency is having a major impact in the East Ward. OHA offers 250 residences, 642 “Section 8” vouchers, 114 tax credit units and is constructing 42 more. The public agency is committed to improving the community by buying properties, improving their worth and stabilizing streets and neighborhoods.



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