

# HOUSING HOTLINE SEPTEMBER

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## **Office CLOSED:**

Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Labor Day

Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> – At 3pm for end of month processing

Important Notice

## **\*\*\*NOTICE OF ENTRY\*\*\***

**This** is your notice **maintenance will be in your unit** during the month of September.

**Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>** - Delta Pest Control will be inspecting for termites/termite damage. Maintenance accompanies the inspector.

**Annual Inspection Work Orders** - Throughout the month of September maintenance must enter units to complete Annual Inspection Work Orders. We acknowledge this may be an inconvenience and we truly apologize for that; however, these repairs must be made. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

**Commode Work Orders** – Please be advised that if your commode requires repair such as “toilet rocking”, it is your responsibility to clean around base of commode – making sure there is no urine on the floor or outside of commode.



**Housekeeping** – Be reminded any time maintenance is in your unit, if they notice housekeeping issues, they are required to report those issues to the Project Manager. Housekeeping violations are the #3 reason for evictions. Common housekeeping issues are dirty, greasy stoves, hood vents and dirty commodes. Clutter inside and outside of your unit provides a breeding ground for pests such as mice, snakes and bugs. The mission of the CHA is to provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing and to achieve that goal, we need your help.

**Annual Re-Exams** – Re-Exams are finished, and we want to say a heartfelt THANK YOU for your cooperation (especially those who brought paperwork in early and were on time for appointments).

**New Rents** – October 1<sup>st</sup> is when your rent change goes into effect.



Your new rent amount is on the TTP sheet provided to you when you signed your paperwork.

**Flat Rent** – Those who did NOT make it to their Re-Exam appointment may expect to have flat rent starting October 1, 2024. The amounts for flat rent are:

0-Efficiency - \$612.00	1-Bedroom - \$628.00
2-Bedroom - \$660.00	3-Bedroom - \$840.00

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## **Important – Limited Office Staff –**

Your Project Manager (Angie) and Resident Initiative Coordinator/Administrative Assistant (Tiffany) will be out of the office for professional development during part of the third week of September (17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>). They will check their e-mail periodically so feel free to e-mail them; otherwise, you may leave messages at the office and they will return calls when they return. **This has nothing to do with work orders** – continue to call work orders into the office and whichever staff member answers the telephone will forward your request to maintenance.

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**DON'T STOP READING** – Look on the next page to see what events have been planned for September. Some have Door Prizes!!! ➡

## Guest Speakers:

**September 4<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. – **Pest Control Seminar** - Delta Pest Control will speak about pest prevention, ways to keep your unit pest free and what to do if you find pests. There will be a door prize awarded to those who attend and stay for the entire event.



**September 12<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. – **Access Medical** (a new medical facility located on Rogers Street) will provide a session led by APRN Desiree Herman on how to develop healthy habits successfully.

**September 26<sup>th</sup>** from 12:00-1:00 p.m. – **Lunch with Johnson County Judge Herman Houston.** A free meal is provided; however, this requires an R.S.V.P. in order to allow staff to prepare properly. **Please R.S.V.P. no later than September 19<sup>th</sup>.** You may bring a guest; we just need to know how many to prepare for; otherwise, we may not have enough to serve everyone.



## Activities:

**September 11<sup>th</sup>** – 9:30-10:15 a.m. **Energize & Exercise Program.** Come to the Foy Howard Community Center and join your neighbors in a Energize & Exercise Class! **Move your feet and grab a treat! Move your glutes and eat some fruit!** *Please R.S.V.P. by September 9<sup>th</sup>.*

**September 24<sup>th</sup>** – 9:00 – 10:00 am. **Breakfast!** Come to the Foy Howard Community Center and enjoy a free breakfast! *R.S.V.P. no later than September 20<sup>th</sup>* so staff can make food purchases.

**September 30<sup>th</sup>** – 10:00-11:00 a.m. - **Cornhole** – for avid cornhole players and newbies, try your hand at beating Family Resource Coordinator Joel Ostendorf. Even if



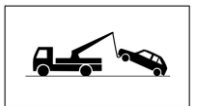
you aren't interested in playing, come cheer on your neighbors and watch the fun!

**BINGO** – September 9<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-3:00 p.m. and September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00-11:00 a.m. These games are just because it is fun to play, prizes will not be distributed. When we have “Special Bingos” that will include prizes (like Christmas, Valentines, etc.) we will make mention of that in the newsletter.

**Cards & Coffee** – September 13<sup>th</sup> – 10:00-11:00 a.m., September 27<sup>th</sup> – 10:00-11:00 – come and enjoy a favorite card game and visit with your neighbors and friends.

**Coffee & Convo** – September 16<sup>th</sup> – 2:00-3:00 p.m. come and enjoy a hot beverage and visit with your neighbors and friends.

**Special Note – Community Service Volunteers** will be onsite Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00-Noon. These volunteers will be a group of high school students who will be sweeping porch ceilings and other outside clean up tasks in preparation for Fall. Please be kind as you see a student working on your porch, because they are actually doing you a favor by sweeping. *It is the tenant's responsibility to keep their unit in a tidy manner.*



**PARKING** – It has come to our attention some residents feel they have “assigned parking spots”. This is not true. There are NO assigned parking spaces. Tenants are required to have a blue CHA parking permit on vehicles. If you do not have one, come by the office during regular working hours and you will need to provide proof of registration before staff is allowed to issue a permit. Reminder, non-working vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense. No vehicle maintenance is supposed to take place on CHA property.

**Tenant Events** – Why is it important to R.S.V.P. for events? Because the CHA must follow a

budget just like your household. Due to the generosity of many local businesses, organizations and individuals...events like "Lunch with a Guest Speaker" have been catered/donated; however, this still requires the person donating the food/supplies the need to know how many people to expect for the event. *They appreciate the opportunity to provide supplies for such events; however, they can only work with the numbers we give them.* Just like if you invited us to your house for lunch, you would need to know if two staff members were coming or all nine. It makes a difference in food/supply purchases.

**Cancellations** – Unfortunately there are situations where staff or a guest speaker has an urgent situation and cannot proceed with the event. If you have given staff your R.S.V.P. then we can try to call you and let you know the event has been cancelled before you walk/drive to the office. Tenant Events are "free" events. It is important to remember to always be kind, even if an event is cancelled, *be grateful – not hateful.*

**Family Resource Coordinator Joel Ostendorf** organized his first "Back to School Bash" which was held on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at the Foy Howard Community Center/lawn of main office. The goal of "community events" like this is to create a friendship with our neighbors. School age children especially need adult guidance by being an example of how to make new friends, how to be tolerant of lifestyles that may not match your own, learning how to truly listen and pick up on a sentiment of fear or loneliness so that a simple "hello" can make you both feel good. We all live where we live, and life can be much more enjoyable if you know your neighbor and understand some of the needs/wants as they understand yours. Being tolerant does not

mean you have to change how you live, it means you learn to accept it isn't up to you how someone else lives. Remember you are always an example by the actions you show every day.

**If you are in these businesses or see individuals from the agencies, please tell them "thank you" for giving up their Saturday for the Clarksville Housing Authority:**

- Arcane Renaissance Tattoo's
- Arvest Bank
- B.A.C.A. (Bikers Against Child Abuse) Flatrock Chapter
- Johnson County Public Library
- Smokey The Bear
- Clarksville Fire Department
- Clarksville Police Department
  - SRO and Officer Russell with Lego Car
- Lamar Police Department
  - SRO's
- Simmons Bank
- Youth from Link Church
- Many individual volunteers.

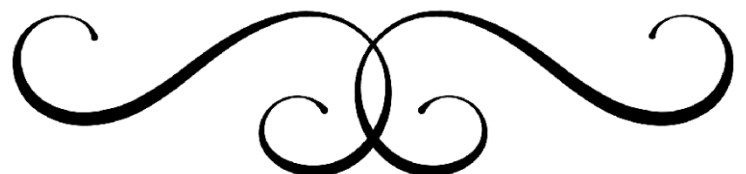


**HELLO**

**SEPTEMBER!**

**WE ARE FINALLY IN**

**THE "-BER" MONTHS!**





# September



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Maintenance will be in units completing Annual Inspection Work Orders – Throughout the Month!	<b>CLOSED For Labor Day</b>	Rent Due	Pest Control Seminar 2-3 pm				
	8	9	10	11	12	13	
	Delinquent Letters  BINGO 2-3 pm		Late Fees  Senior Exercise 9:30-10:15 am		Access Medical Speaker 2-3 pm	<b>Termite Inspections All Units</b>  Cards & Coffee 10-11 am	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	
	Eviction Letters  Coffee & Conv 2-3pm						21 Community Service Volunteers 8:00-Noon
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
BINGO 10-11 am	Breakfast 9-10 am	Pest Control & Inspections  	Lunch with Guest Speaker Co. Judge Herman Houston 12-1 pm	Cards & Coffee 10-11 am			
29	30	All events scheduled this month will be held in the Foy Howard Community Center located at the Main Office 605 Lucas Street					
Cornhole 10-11 am  Office Closed at 3 pm to foot traffic							