

NHA Today

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COME JOIN US! On the second Monday of every month the Newport Housing Authority Resident Advisory Council meets. Our next meeting will be **Monday, May 11, 2026**, at 4pm. Remember, the council represents you the tenant. So this is your time to voice concerns, share ideas or just meet new friends. Pot Luck will now be prior to the Resident Council Meeting. Call Tenant Services at (423) 532-8001 for more information. So, everyone come and bring a dish. We look forward to seeing everyone there!



Wise Words from Walter

From the desk of Walter Cole, Executive Director

I hope everyone is reading their newsletter as there is a lot of things going on in the next few months. I hope everyone survived the HUD Inspection that took place. We made it through it but there is a lot of work that we have to continue on doing. Keeping our properties looking good and maintained is a priority. Staff will continue addressing what the NHA residents must do. There is a lease and it must be followed. School will soon be out so take advantage of the Boys and Girls Club. The Boys and Girls Club has a lot of new programs and fun things to do this summer, call them at 423-623-6536 for more information. If you are interested in joining Resident Council make sure to read the flyer in this Newsletter. See you this Summer.....

Sincerely,

Walter L. Cole

Executive Director



RENT PAYMENT THINGS TO REMEMBER

Please make sure to put your rent payments in the drop box the **entire** month. No payments will be processed at the front window. We have tried to clearly mark where payments go. But as always if you have questions please don't hesitate to call us at (423) 623-1575.

- **Do not leave blank checks, money orders or cash in the payment drop box.**
- When paying your rent, your filled out money order or check must be placed in the payment drop box. A receipt will be mailed back to you.
- If someone is paying rent for you, then they will need to make sure your name and/or address is listed on the check or money order. Or, place the payment in a sealed envelope with your name and address on the outside.
- **PRINT CLEARLY** on the check or money order.
- If you think you may be late with your rent payment for whatever reason please call Cindy at ext. 4 to make arrangements.
- The easiest way to remember how to fill your money order out no matter where you purchase it at is:

*Pay to the order of will be: **NHA**

*In the "for" section: **Print your address**

*Make sure to **sign** the money order as purchaser. **Do not sign them on the back.**



*The greatness of a community is most accurately
measure by the compassionate actions of it's members*

Coretta Scott King

Tenant Services is still here for you. If you need information on support groups, food distribution services, or help offered in our community please don't hesitate to call us at (423) 532-8001 on Mondays 9am-12pm and we will be more than happy to assist you.



FROM THE DESK OF ANDREA TAYLOR, HOUSING MANAGER

A few reminders.....

- If you are wanting a pet, please call me and ask before you get it. The pet policy is 2 pets maximum per household and 30 lbs. maximum at adulthood. It must be a common household animal. Also remember, dogs cannot be of an aggressive breed or disposition. If your pet is outside of the Pet Policy guidelines, I will have to ask you to find your new pet alternative housing.
- Dogs are not to be tied up and left unattended outside. Your dog is to be on a leash and under your control at all times. This means you need to be with your dog at all times when it is outside. If your dog is found to be outside unattended, Animal Control will be contacted.
- The No Smoking Policy is still in effect. You may not smoke, vape or have e-cigarettes in your unit. If you or your company chooses to do this please do it outside and dispose of any ashes and/or cigarette ducts properly.
- Under the new HOTMA rule we have been asking for your income tax returns. Some of you all have not wanted to provide them while others have been forthcoming. If you did not file income taxes that's okay. However, if you did, you must provide the complete return.

If you have any additional questions, feel free to contact me at (423) 623-1575 ext. 3.

Sincerely,

Andrea E Taylor, PHM

Housing Manager



Looking for work.....

Search for jobs and apply online at dejobs.org



FROM THE DESK OF MELISSA VENERABLE, OCCUPANCY COORDINATOR

- **Annual recertifications are conducted IN OFFICE. Your appointment time along with a check list of items you need to provide will be sent to you. If you need to re-schedule for good reason then please contact me PRIOR to your appointment. And don't forget to bring all your documents with you to your appointment.**
- If you do not provide all the necessary documents at your recertification appointment you will not sign any forms and your recertification will remain incomplete until you provide what has been requested of you. Remember, if you cause the delay in the recertification, you could be asked to find housing elsewhere.
- If you have a checking or savings account please provide a COMPLETE bank statement and not an account history. They are not the same things. This includes any Cash App, Venmo, Apple Pay, etc.
- Remember that you must report your income and family composition changes within **14 calendar days**. You can do this by calling the office at (423) 623-1575 ext. 2 and explaining to me what happened. If you are emailing documents make sure to explain whether you have rent increase or decrease.
- If you fail to report an increase of wages within the 14 calendar day period, a retroactive rent charge will be charged to your account. This is the difference in the amount of rent that you were charged as opposed to the amount of rent that you should have been charged. If your retroactive rent exceeds \$2400.00 you will be required to find housing elsewhere.
- If you have not reported any decrease in wages you will not be given any credit for the months that your rent should have been reduced.
- If you have questions, you can call me at extension 2 or you can reach me by email at mvenerable@nhatoday.com.

Melissa Venerable,
Occupancy Coordinator

A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING FOR EVERYONE!



Don't forget that our Bryant Town Boutique is open on Wednesdays 10am to 4pm. We also have a boutique located at 375 Alex Street that is open on Mondays 9am to 2pm. There's lots of good stuff at both locations and it's FREE! Be sure to stop by and see us. We look forward to seeing you!



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