

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, JULY 13, 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

BIG NEWS!!! Keep in mind that this event is for NHA residents only. On **Thursday, July 23rd** at the City Park, the NHA is having the **Back-to-School Party at the City Park**. The Party at the Park is from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. while the Back-to-School event is at the 2 pavilions from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. The NHA will have free food, free games, free school supplies and you can go swimming at the City Park for free. You have to come to the pavilions to get your pool passes. This is **only free for those that are on the NHA lease**. There will also be chances to win \$100 gift cards, bicycles, and other great prizes. There is a flyer attached. Please know the City of Newport Has **rules on fireworks**. Fireworks can only be set off before 11:00 p.m. and only between July 3rd and the 5th. The City's fireworks ordinance can be found on their website. However, the Newport Housing Authority could prohibit a tenant the use of fireworks on our property if you are not being safe and not being respectful of your neighbors. The NHA wants everyone to have a safe and happy July 4th.

Sincerely,

Walter L. Cole

Executive Director



NEW NEWS... Well it's not really new it's something we have been stressing for some time now. It is your responsibility as a tenant to stay as informed as you can. So, please go to the website newporttnhousing.com and check out the full newsletter as well as the information tab at the top of the website. You can always pick up a complete newsletter at Tenant Services or at the Main Office. We provide you the information it's up to you to read it.



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.....

Sometimes the housing authority discovers a better ways of doing things. Whether we see what is working for other housing authorities or HUD gives us better clarification on their rules and regulations. We want to make sure that everyone is informed of a new policy or procedure. We have put this information on the website and we have put it in the newsletter. It has become very apparent that some of you all just don't read your newsletter and you don't look at the website. I get it life gets busy but we need everyone to become more informed tenants. Below is just a few things everyone needs to remember.

- Beginning this year, there are NO pools and NO water toys, such as slip-n-slides, will be allowed this year.
- Pick up the toys in your yard and on your porch. If your kids are done playing with whatever, put it up. If we or the mowers have to pick up the toys in your yard you will be charged at least one (1) hour of labor at \$30.
- If your kids play with sidewalk chalk please make sure to wash it off once they are done. It is considered graffiti.
- Make sure that your trashcan goes back to the side of your unit or behind your unit within 24 hours after trash day. If you need to have additional trashcans, you may purchase them on your own but they must have lids.
- Make sure not to miss trash day in your area. Overflowing trash in your trashcan can lead to pesky critters getting into it and making a mess that you will be responsible for cleaning up.
- You are responsible for your guests and their actions no matter who that guest may be to you. Make sure you explain the rules to them and if they can't abide by them, they could be banned from NHA property or it could cost you your home.

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 now permanently closed. We will 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!



KIDS CORNER

Fourth of July

Word Search Puzzle



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COLONIES	HOT DOGS	PICNIC
CONGRESS	INDEPENDENCE	REVOLUTION
FAMILY	JEFFERSON	STATES
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