

Family Neighbors

The Hagerstown Housing Authority is committed to providing quality, affordable housing in a safe environment. Through partnership with our residents and other groups we will provide opportunities for those we serve to become self-sufficient.



To associate on neighborly terms ♦ To be friendly ♦ Persons who live near others

April 2019

YOUR VOICE - YOUR TIME - YOUR CITY

EARN SSL HOURS!

HAGERSTOWN YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

APPLY TODAY!

WWW.HAGERSTOWNMD.ORG/HYAC

“The City of Hagerstown is currently looking for nine high school aged students to participate in the inaugural cohort of the Hagerstown Youth Advisory Council. Selected participants in this program will work alongside city staff and other community partners to collaborate on issues that matter to them. Interested applicants must either live in the City of Hagerstown or attend an accredited public/private high school or homeschool. Youth aged 18-21 are also encouraged to apply for one of two non-voting positions. Individuals applying for this non-voting position must be a resident of the City of Hagerstown and possess a high school diploma or equivalency. Application forms and other frequently asked questions are available at www.hagerstownmd.org/hyac.”

Hagerstown Housing Authority requests your attendance

Family Self-Sufficiency Peer Mentoring

Family Self-Sufficiency Peer Mentoring will provide you with information about the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program, Financial Literacy, FSS Workshops, community resources, and will give you the opportunity to network with FSS Participants.

Friday, April 12, 2019, 12:00 noon
Elgin Station Community Center
40 Elgin Blvd, Hagerstown MD

For more information you may call your FSS Coordinator or 301-733-6911, ext. 157
 Light lunch provided.

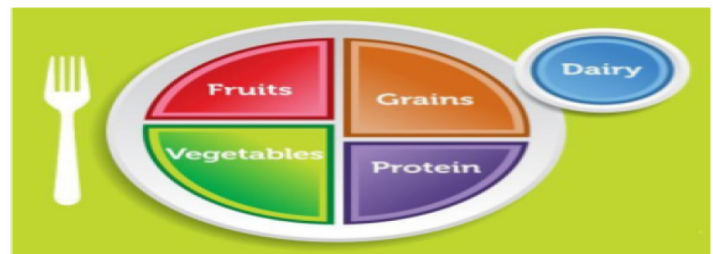


Learn With EFNEP How To:

- Get Moving
- Plan, Shop, Save
- Eat More Veggies and Fruits
- Make Half of Your Grains Whole
- Build Strong Bones
- Have More Lean Protein
- Make Healthy Changes

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
 EXTENSION
 Solutions in your community

EFNEP Nutrition Workshops



Each session includes a short lesson, Healthy food tasting, and a simple physical activity. The participants who attend all five lessons will receive a certificate of achievement. There will be a drawing at the end of the series for attendance.

Class will be held at Bester Elementary Cafeteria.

DATES: WEDNESDAY
APRIL 24TH, MAY 1, MAY 8, MAY 15
& MAY 22
FROM: 6:30PM TO: 7:30 PM

CONTACT PERSON:
BARBARA WILLIAMS
240-291-2947 &
BJ LUSHBAUGH
240-500-9720
TEXT EITHER TO RSVP

STOP Smoking for LIFE

Washington County Health Department

April 11th, 18th, 25th and May 2nd
Potomac Towers-Community Room

This program consists of (4) one hour sessions over a 4 week period. Class participants are eligible to receive FREE nicotine replacement therapy.

Please RSVP to Samantha Cohen at
301.733.6911 ext 171

Join Us For A Scavenger Hunt

When: April 17th
at 4:30-6:30 PM

Where: Elgin Station
Food and Drink will be provided.

Please RSVP by April 12th to
Dholder@hagerstownha.com
301.733.6911 ext 163

CLOSING EARLY

The main Housing Office will close at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, April 17th



FREE CLASSES!

FINANCIAL EDUCATION SERIES

Hagerstown Housing Authority & Financial Education Partnership-Washington County want to help you reach your financial goals! Sign up to attend financial education classes

Topics include:

- ✦ April 3: Daily Money Management
- ✦ April 10: Earn It, Plan It, Keep It
- ✦ April 17: Your Credit Matters
- ✦ April 24: Taxes and Beyond
- ✦ May 1: Pump Up Your Piggy Bank

For more information & transportation assistance, contact [Tacy at tmyers@hagerstownha.com](mailto:tmyers@hagerstownha.com) or 301.733.6911 ext. 157

Financial Education Partnership-Washington County is a collaboration of...



Location:

Frederick Manor
Community Building
Taylor Avenue
Hagerstown, MD

10:00 - 11:00 am

Plan your finances

Improve your credit score

Save more Spend less

After taking the 5-lesson series we can help you open a bank account with a \$50.00 deposit from us!

Join us!

Discovery Station
101 W. Washington St, Hagerstown
6:00pm to 7:30pm

Please RSVP

by calling Kerry Fair at 240-513-6370 or email kfair@sanmarhome.org



Free to all Families!

- Free Childcare!
- Free refreshments!
- Free family fun!



Bring the kids! Activities for kids of all ages—birth through 18—provided by our partners:



April 16, 2019:

Digital Citizenship: Instagram. Facebook. Snapchat. How can we help our children be responsible and safe citizens of the digital world?

May 14, 2019:

Balancing Act: As our kids get older, they can do more things for themselves but still need our time and attention. How can we balance all we have to do and still have time for our kids and ourselves?

June 11, 2019:

Keeping Kids Safe: With school almost out, a lot of kids will be looking for something to do. How can we help them make positive choices and safe decisions?

Ehrlich Pest Control Schedule

Week 2 4/10/2019

Noland Village Ct. 5 1036A -1044H
Noland Village Ct. 6 1037A-1045H.

Week 3 4/17/2019

Noland Village Ct. 6 1049A-1049H

Week 1 4/3/2019

Noland Village Ct 3 1020A-1032H,
Noland Village Ct. 4 1017A-1021H,
Noland Village Ct. 4 1025A-1033H

Week 4 4/24/2019

Noland Village Ct. 7 1052A-1068H,
Noland Village Ct. 8 1053A-1061H

<u>Noland Village</u>		
Boys and Girls Club Program in Gymnasium	Monday-Friday	Stop in to visit our after school program
Pearls for Girls	Thursdays	7:00-8:00 PM
Resident Meeting	Wednesday 17 th	10:00 AM
<u>Frederick Manor</u>		
Boys and Girls Club Programs	Monday-Friday	Stop in to visit our after school program
Girl Scouts	Mondays	6:00-7:00 PM
Resident Meeting	Thursday 25 th	10:00 AM
<u>Parkside/Scattered Sites</u>		
PALS Homework Program	Monday-Friday	4:30-6:30 PM
Dance Class	Saturdays	
Resident Meeting	Monday 15 th	10:00 AM
Girl Scouts	Fridays	5:30-7:00 PM
<u>Douglass Court</u>		
Pearls for Girls	Tuesdays	5:30-7:00 PM
<u>Additional Community Activities</u>		
Boys and Girls Club Pennsylvania Ave.	Monday-Friday	After School Program
Boys and Girls Club Elgin Station	Monday-Friday	After School Program
Girl Scouts Elgin	Mondays	6:00-7:00 PM
<u>Numbers to Know</u>		
<p>Key Holders</p> <p><u>Noland Village</u> Pam Felton 1064H Noland Dr. 240.340.8446</p> <p><u>Frederick Manor</u> Jennifer Colvin 624 Adams Ave. 240.520.7627</p> <p><u>Parkside/Douglass/Scattered Sites</u> Monique Broadus 406 Suman Ave. 240-291-4684</p>	<p>Hagerstown Housing Central 301.733.6911</p> <p>Maintenance Department 301.733.6916</p> <p>Security Supervisor 301.730.2096</p> <p>Resident Services Department Dianne Rudisill ext. 125 Shannon Diggs ext. 170 Deena Holder ext. 163 Sam Cohen ext. 171 Tacy Myers ext. 157 Kelly Mills-Thompson ext. 158 Jill Moore ext. 167</p>	<p>Resources Child Protective Services 240.420.2100</p> <p>Narcotic Task Force 301.791.3205</p> <p>Non-Emergency Police 240.313.2910</p> <p>Poison Control Center 800.222.1222</p> <p>USDA Hotline 888.674.6854</p> <p>Adult Protective Services 240.420.2155</p> <p>HUD: Fair Housing 1.800.669.9777</p>
<p>*Please remember Community Buildings are closed on major holidays*</p>		



HAI Group's Resident Scholarship Program has been providing scholarships to public housing and housing choice voucher residents since 2003. To date, we've awarded more than \$1,000,000 to over 400 students!
Entries must be submitted online by 5 pm EST Tuesday, April 30th, 2019.

Important Reminder: Deadline April 30

2019 Resident Scholarship Program
 Now Accepting Submissions

For more information on how to apply please contact Dianne Rudisill at 301.733.6911 ext 125

FROM MAINTENANCE

Bulk Trash Pick Up

You may have your bulk items picked up on the following days of each month:

1st Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 1, 3, 5 & 7

2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglass Court

3rd Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 2, 4, 6 & 8

4th Thursday: Frederick Manor

Please set your items out after 8:00pm the night before your scheduled day and have them on the curb prior to 8:30am on your scheduled pickup day. This schedule will be strictly followed. Any bulk items set on the curb on days other than those listed for your community will result in a charge (\$60.00) to the resident.

Scattered Site locations will be expected to observe the bulk pickup days published by the City of Hagerstown. Check the newspaper or call the City for dates.

Trash Containers

Effective April 1, 2019, all trash cans and totes must be placed and kept in the rear of your unit. Containers must be moved after they are emptied on the day of pick up to avoid a charge. You will be charged a minimum of \$30.95 if maintenance has to move your container to the rear of your unit. As always, we appreciate your help in keeping our communities beautiful.

Trash containers are not to be placed out before 4:00pm on trash pick-up night at your community.

Attentions Residents of Noland Village

The recycling bin located in front of the community building is accessible during business hours (Monday-Friday) and should be used for recyclable items only. Please continue to use your unit toter for all other disposable trash. Should maintenance find bags of trash or other items placed on the ground and can identify where it came from that resident will be charged.

Clean Yard Program

To help improve the appearance of our communities, the Authority began a Clean Yard Program in 1999 to encourage residents to actively participate in properly maintaining their yards and property. As part of the lease, each resident agreed to maintain a clean and uncluttered yard. Many residents have honored this agreement, some even going the

extra mile to plant flowers and make other positive improvements.

The Clean Yard Program is working and the communities continue to improve in appearance. Unfortunately, some residents do not clean their yards of litter and debris, do not store trash in the proper containers, do not remove graffiti from walls and walks, or allow junk to accumulate. Residents failing to maintain clean yards face certain consequences. Here's how the CLEAN YARD PROGRAM works:

1. A "Citation" will be written up by the inspector and hung on the door of any unit having an unacceptable yard.

2. If the cited trash has not been removed by the resident within two days, Maintenance will remove the trash and the resident will be charged. If the yard has been cleaned the citation will be destroyed and no charge made to the resident and no record of the citation will appear in the resident's file.

3. Residents who receive repeated charges for failure to clean their yards may be issued a "Notice to Quit".
NOTE: The Authority reserves the right to clean any yard without notice to the resident if such yard is extremely unsightly, or the contents of the yard present a health or safety hazard to others in the community. Bags not in trash cans will be picked up without notice and the resident charged.

Spring Clean Up

As we experience warmer weather and spend more time outdoors, we need to focus on cleaning up the yards for spring. Please check your yard for the following:

1. Rake up all leaves and seed pods.

2. Pick up all cigarette butts and dispose of them properly.

3. Remove all trash from your yard. This includes litter of any kind, bags, glass, cups, cans, rags, clothing, bottles, boxes etc.

4. Clean under and around your shrubs.

5. Organize toys & bikes.

6. Remove tape, tape residue and plastic hanging hooks etc. from the exterior of the unit.

7. Remove all chalk and writing from exterior brick.

8. For safety reasons: ALL gas cans must be stored in storage shed.

10. Keep throw rugs/mats off the grass. (It will kill the grass)

11. Large toys (slides, playhouses etc.) are to be kept in the rear of your unit.

12. Promptly remove pet waste.

13. Do not throw food in your yard. These scraps attract vermin and other pests. Also please do not dump cooking grease or oil on your lawn or patio. You will be charged for the power washing

required to remove it and to replant grass.

14. Trash totes **MUST** be stored at the rear of your unit.

15. ANY trash bags or bags of cans must be in a trash tote/can. They are not allowed to be in the yard or on the porch, if so, it will be called in for a Direct Pick-Up and a minimum charge of \$30.95!

Please take the time to clean your yards prior to Monday, April 1, 2019. Yards will be checked and thoroughly inspected. Citations will be issued for any corrections needed and failure for corrective action charges will be made as necessary (minimum \$30.95).

Mowing Season

The mowing season is upon us again. Please be aware of the contractors as they mow the grass in your community. The contractor is responsible for performing his work in a safe manner. He has a difficult task to accomplish and needs your help to keep track of the small children. Please, for the safety of your children; help keep them away from the workers doing the mowing. All communities will be mowed on THURSDAY unless it's raining. FRIDAY WILL BE USED AS A RAIN DAY.

Grass Seed

You can pick up free grass seed at the Maintenance office to spot seed your yard. Seed and watering (from a watering can) will improve the appearance of your lawn.

Installing Window Air Conditioners

When installing window air conditioners, be sure to install them in a safe and secure manner. Air conditioner units should be tilted away from the unit. This allows the condensate to run away from the wall and will help to prevent mold/mildew on the walls. The window air conditioner needs to be installed properly to prevent outside air from entering the unit. If the extendable panels are missing or damaged, air coming in from the outside will cause the room temperature to rise, keeping the air conditioner running. This can cause high electric bills. It is best to seal the openings with foam panels. Cardboard, pillows and blankets are inefficient they can fall out leaving the window open.

Resident Advisory Board position available

A Resident Advisory Board (RAB) allows Section 8 and Public Housing residents to make recommendations for the Authority's plan. The RAB has a representative from each Housing Authority community and two representatives from Section 8. The RAB meets quarterly at Housing Authority's central office.

The purpose of the RAB is to advise their respective community and to provide input to the Housing Authority of:

- Capital Improvements
- Resident Functions
- Housing Concerns
- Changes to Policies and Procedures
- Make recommendations to the Housing Authorities Annual and 5 Year Plan
- Homeownership
- Discuss and approve the use of Tenant Participation Funds
- Conduct/Promote Activities to Promote Self- Sufficiency



We currently have the following positions available: Section 8, Parkside Home/Douglass Court, Noland Village and Gateway Crossing. If you are interested in serving on the RAB, or know of someone you feel would be a good candidate, please contact: Dianne Rudisill, Director of Resident Services at 301.733.6911 ext. 125 (drudisill@hagerstownha.com) or Deena Holder, Assistant Director of Resident Services at 301.733.6911 ext. 163 (dholder@hagerstownha.com).

EASTER TRIVIA

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

1. The idea of the Easter bunny was originated in the 1700s in what country?
A. Russia B. United States C. Germany D. Great Britain
2. The most popular American Easter candy is:
A. chocolate bunnies B. marshmallow peeps C. jelly beans D. chocolate, cream-filled eggs
3. What flower is associated with Easter?
A. rose 2. lily 3. pansy 4. crocus
4. In the song, "Here Comes Peter Cottontail" he's got colored eggs for who?

5. What is the name of the dance that is commonly done on Easter Day?

6. Who co-starred with Judy Garland in "Easter Parade?"

7. If you don't wear at least one new article of clothing on Easter it is considered bad luck.
True False
8. Rabbits with big long ears going UP are called?

Please submit to the Resident Services Office by April 17th. Winner will be contacted by phone. To e-mail entry, email scohen@hagerstownha.com

The Hagerstown Housing Authority will be
Closed for Good Friday

Friday, April 19th

MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS

APRIL 2019

AMP 3 - NOLAND VILLAGE

Tenants will be notified of upcoming inspections for this month. Hand Delivered notices will be distributed.



Hagerstown Housing Authority
35 W. Baltimore Street
Hagerstown, MD 21740



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