

Family Neighbors

The Hagerstown Housing Authority is committed to providing quality, affordable housing in a safe environment. Through a 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 **August 2022**

Recent FSS Graduates



LISA RIDGLEY

Lisa also recently completed the FSS program after pursuing all her goals! She set a goal of achieving an "Excellent" credit score! and completed that with flying colors. Lisa also opened a savings account and saved to pay cash for her vehicle.

Lisa has learned exceptional budgeting skills thru the FSS workshops and educational and wellness lessons that she will continue to use during her life. Super successful job, Lisa!



MARIELIS CORDERO

Marielis also recently completed the FSS program after working hard to accomplish all her goals! Those goals included starting employment, which she obtained (she was recently promoted to a new position), getting a driver's license, purchasing a vehicle, improving her credit, and researching homeownership. Marielis plans to use the information she has gained while in the FSS program to continue her quest to purchase a home for her and her daughter.

Many Congratulations, Marielis, for a job well done!



TREYON BROWN

Treyon recently completed the FSS program after working hard to accomplish all his goals! His goals included maintaining employment, purchasing a vehicle (and paying it off), improving his credit, and researching homeownership. Treyon plans to use the information he has gained while in the program to continue his budgeting skills and purchase a home! He has shown his family that hard work brings success.

Congratulations, Treyon, awesome job!

If you see Treyon, Marielis, and/or Lisa, please give them extra congratulations; they deserve it! They each have accomplished so much for themselves and their family. All of us here at the Hagerstown Housing Authority are so very proud of each one!

If you would like to learn more about the FSS program, contact us at 301-733-6911 and speak with Tacy Myers (ext. 157), Kelly Mills (ext. 158), or Pam Schnebly (ext. 167)

The Housing Authority Welcomes The Following New Staff



Rachel Golden comes to us from Western Maryland Hospital Center and is our Administrative Assistant for the Security Department. Rachel's proficient in customer service and office workflows and brings innovation and experience in multiple computer programs.



Walter Horman has been hired as a Security Officer and will be training during the day shift while he becomes familiar with the communities and patrol routine. Walter's experience is in security and he was a Specialist in the Army National Guard.



Scott Highbarger will join us as a Maintenance Mechanic and brings his talent and background in heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC), and residential maintenance.

Who is my Public Housing Specialist, and How to Contact them? Below is a list of the communities with the assigned Housing Specialist

Stephanie Palmer- **Phone #** 301-733-6911 ext. #179, **Email** spalmer@hagerstownha.com
-Parkside Homes, Douglas Court, Frederick Manor, Scattered Sites, CW Brooks, Walnut Towers, Potomac Towers South building (unit #s G16-G29, 114-127, 219-232, 318-331, 419-432, 518-531, 619-632, 718-731, 819-832).

Tamiann Nelson- **Phone #** 301-733-6911 ext. #122, **Email** tnelson@hagerstownha.com
-Noland Village, McCleary Hill, Potomac Towers North building (unit #s 101-113, 201-217, 301-317, 401-417, 501-517, 601-617, 701-717, 801-817, 901-917, 1001-1017, 1101-1117, 1201-1217)

NUMBERS TO KNOW

Hagerstown Housing Main 301.733.6911

Resident Services Department

Dianne Rudisill	301.733.6911 ext. 125
Deena Holder	301.733.6911 ext. 163
Heather Nutter	301.733.6911 ext. 170
Treyvon King	301.733.6911 ext. 171
Tacy Myers	301.733.6911 ext. 157
Kelly Mills	301.733.6911 ext. 158
Pam Schnebly	301.733.6911 ext. 167



988
SUICIDE
& CRISIS
LIFELINE

There is hope

Talk with us. If you or someone you know needs support now, call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org



SEP22-06-03-004

August events



National Night Out - August 2, 2022, 6-8 pm Hagerstown Fair Ground

We have partnered once again with the Hagerstown Police Department, Community Action Council, the Hagerstown Area Police Athletic League, and the City of Hagerstown to assist with the annual National Night Out.

August 31st is International Overdose Awareness Day

Know the facts about prescription opioids. Opioids can be addictive and dangerous. Be in the "know" zone!

Heroin & Opioid Abuse: An Epidemic



- What is an opioid
- What is Fentanyl
- Opioid misuse
- Know your options

OVERDOSE CAN AFFECT ANYONE.

Recovery is possible!

SAMHSA's National Helpline
1-800-662-HELP (4357)
TTY: 1-800-487-4889 Text: 435748
[samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline](https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline)

Substance Use Treatment Locator
findtreatment.gov

Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator
findtreatment.samhsa.gov



Community Fair - August 19, 2022, 10-3 pm Elgin Station

The Housing Authority's Annual Community Fair is back! Yes, we are offering the in-person annual event again. We are excited to see you!



2022 Annual Washington County

Health & Wellness Fest!

**Thursday, August 11
4:30pm-7pm**

**201 S. Cleveland Avenue
Hagerstown**

- ☑ Giveaways!
- ☑ Health Screenings!
- ☑ Health Education!
- ☑ Cooking Demos!
- ☑ Activities for All Ages!
- ☑ Food!

**A FREE
Community
Event!**

Sponsored by:



2022 SUMMER SCHEDULE (JUNE 13–AUGUST 19)

SALEM AVENUE ELEMENTARY - JUNE 20–AUGUST 19



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**FREE
MEALS
FOR ANYONE
18 & UNDER**

SCHOOL SITES	BESTER ELEMENTARY	385 MILL STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY–THURSDAY BREAKFAST 8:00–8:30AM LUNCH 11:30AM–12:30PM
	SALEM AVENUE ELEMENTARY	1323 SALEM AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY–THURSDAY LUNCH ONLY 1:00PM–1:30PM
COMMUNITY SITES	OTTERBEIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	108 EAST FRANKLIN STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY–FRIDAY 11:30AM TO NOON
	CORTLAND MANOR	12806 LITTLE ELLIOTT DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742	
	NOLAND VILLAGE COMMUNITY BUILDING	1048 NOLAND DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	CHILDREN IN NEED	131 W. NORTH AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY–FRIDAY 12:30PM TO 1:00PM
	PANGBORN PARK	591 PANGBORN BOULEVARD HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	HALFWAY FIRE DEPARTMENT	11114 LINCOLN AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	MCCLEARY HILL COMMUNITY BUILDING	12150 GRANITE DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	

CHILDREN MUST BE 18 YEARS OR YOUNGER.
1 MEAL PER DAY - PER CHILD



INTERNET

SAVE UP TO \$30 A MONTH ON YOUR
INTERNET SERVICE BILL

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a new federal program that helps low income families afford the cost of having internet services at home.

ACP participants receive:

- Up to \$30/month discount on your internet
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer (with a co-payment of more than \$10 but less than \$50)

Qualifications are based on housing program, SNAP, free lunch program, and other other subsidies.

For more information visit:

www.affordableconnectivity.gov

§ 173-11 Firearms and other weapons.

[Amended 4-16-1968]

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire, discharge or shoot a gun, firearm, air gun, blowgun, spring gun, gas-operated gun, blowpipe, slingshot, bean shooter or any other contrivance manufactured and calculated to throw, sling or discharge any shot or other missile within the City limits, and it shall be unlawful for any person, other than a law enforcement officer or a duly licensed person, to possess any such weapon upon the streets, alleys or other public ways of the City except while transporting such weapon from the place of purchase to his home or from his home to a point outside the City boundaries and returning.

B. It shall be unlawful for any parent or other person standing in loco parentis is to knowingly permit a minor to do any act in violation of the provisions of Subsection A.



from: **Security**

Security Phone Number: 301.730.2096

Security's Report-A-Concern can now
be accessed directly at

www.hagerstownha.com/reportaconcern

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 air conditioner needs to be installed properly to prevent outside air from entering the unit. If the extendable panels are missing or damaged, the 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 as they can fall out leaving the window open.

TRASH/RECYCLE CONTAINERS

Effective April 1, 2022, 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 \$32.36 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 should not be placed before 4:00 pm on trash pick-up night at your community.*

BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

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

1st Thursday: McCleary Hill

2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglas Court

3rd Thursday: Noland Village

4th Thursday: Frederick Manor

Please set your items out **after 8:00 pm the night before** your scheduled day and have them on the curb **prior to 8:30 am 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.

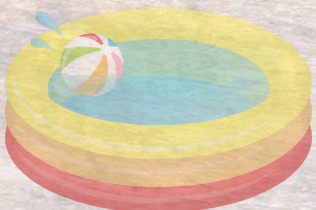
Pest Control Schedule

08/10/2022: Parkside Homes, Community Building

08/17/2022: Douglas Court, Admin Building

08/24/2022: Scattered Sites

Wading Pools/Swimming Pools



Residents are reminded that wading pools and swimming pools are a violation of your lease. Not only are unattended pools unsafe but they damage the lawn and impede mowing.

Maintenance Inspections

- **Monday, August 1 Noland Drive 1040 A-F**
- **Tuesday, August 2 Noland Drive 1044 A-H**
- **Friday, August 5 Noland Drive 1052 A-H**
- **Monday, August 8 Noland Drive 1056 A-H**
- **Tuesday, August 9 Noland Drive 1060 A-H**
- **Friday, August 12 Noland Drive 1064 A-H**

TIPS ON REMOVING MOLD & MILDEW

Mold/mildew can grow in areas that are moist such as in bathrooms or at washer hookups. It is usually recognized as a dark discoloration of the surface on which it resides (i.e., dark spots on grout). There are numerous cleaning products on the market designed to kill mold. Also, a solution of 1-part bleach and 4 parts water will do the trick. Wipe down ceilings and walls with one of the disinfectants, scrub tile, and caulk joints in the tub area. Always read the labels and abide by the manufacturer's recommendations. It is your responsibility to properly clean the surfaces in your unit, but if you are having problems identifying or removing mold, please call Maintenance and we will have an inspector check it out at no cost to you.

BED BUG MYTHS

Home Solutions Can Replace Professional Extermination **THIS IS FALSE!**

There are several home remedy recommendations online to exterminate your home without a professional. Often, the effort and impact of do-it-yourself solutions can make the problem worse and help the infestation spread over time.

Although you may be tempted to treat with a home remedy, you may find the situation is worse than expected and requires professional treatment.

Please contact the Maintenance Department if you believe you may have bed bugs.

CONSERVING WATER

In order to conserve, all residents must promptly report any leaks or dripping faucets, hoses or fixtures to the Maintenance Department at 301-733-6916. Ensure all faucets are turned completely off when you are not drawing water. Other ways of conserving water are to:

- Avoid flushing the toilet unnecessarily.
- Dispose of tissues and other such waste in the trash rather than the toilet.
- Take shorter showers.
- Use the minimum amount of water needed for a bath by closing the drain first and filling the tub only 1/3 full.
- Don't let water run while shaving or washing your face.
- Brush your teeth first while waiting for water to get hot, then wash or shave after filling the basin.

TENANT-INSTALLED LOCKS ARE PROHIBITED

Tenant-installed locks are not allowed and are considered a lease violation. Please see Section G (Tenant Obligations), Item 31 of your lease for additional information. If tenant-installed locks are found by an inspector or maintenance personnel, you will be charged to correct the lock and the door.

Renter's Insurance

If you do not have renter's insurance, it's a small investment to protect your personal property. In the event of a fire or catastrophe, the Housing Authority is not responsible for your personal items. **While it's not mandatory, it is highly recommended.**

