



Hagerstown Housing Authority NEWSLETTER

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August 2023



EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER RYAN RUSS

Ryan was selected as the employee of the quarter for his dedication, good communication, and the support that he provides to the Authority and its residents! He has shown initiative to streamline the Maintenance Work Order process and assisted with testing the Mobile Work Orders and was able to provide good feedback to the IT Department throughout the testing process.

Ryan was proactive in utilizing Paycor and assisted other mechanics with their registration, getting the app installed on their devices, and providing navigation of the software. He continues to work on the advancement of technology and efficiency of workflows which is always beneficial to the Authority.

As Employee of the Quarter, he is entitled to a complementary lunch for one, a Star Award, and one paid day off from work. Help us to congratulate and thank Ryan for all he does for the Authority and our residents!

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM

Have you considered joining the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program? More individuals are learning how becoming a participant in the FSS program can assist them with their future goals. Your goals can be anything you set your mind to, and as a participant, you receive:

- An individual case manager to assist you in identifying your goals within time frames.
- Goals will vary based on each individual's needs and may include:
 - Employment
 - Furthering Education
 - Budgeting
- Connections to Community Resources to help you accomplish your goals.
- For eligible participants, as employment is obtained or earned income increases, FSS participants may be eligible to build an escrow savings account held by the Housing Authority.
- Any individual who is a recipient of the Public Housing Program and Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) program is eligible to take advantage of this opportunity!



**If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the
Family Self-Sufficiency Program, please contact:**

Meals/Soup Kitchens

- **Everyday:** Hope Center (Rescue Mission) 125 N. Prospect St
12:45 pm & 7 pm
- **M/T/W/Th/F:** Salvation Army 534 W. Franklin St
11:30 am- 1:00 pm
- **M/W:** Soul Food at Christ Reformed
130 W. Franklin St 4:00 pm (4th
Monday & every Wednesday)
- **Tues Only:** Zion UCC 201 N. Potomac St 5:30 pm
- **Wed Only:** Presbyterian Church
20 S. Prospect St
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- **Thur Only:** Williamsport Ministerium- Rehobeth
UMC
30 E. Salisbury St, Williamsport
5:30 pm
- **Fri Only:** Gateway Ministries
32 East Ave 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
- **4th Saturday Only:** St. John's Episcopal Church
101 S. Prospect St 11:00 am

Ride-Assist Program

Provided By

Washington County Transit

July 1, 2023 to June, 30, 2024

- One (1) voucher booklet-\$7.50
- Two (2) voucher booklets-\$15
- Three (3) voucher booklets-\$22.50
- Four (4) voucher booklets-\$30
get one (1) booklet free
- Five (5) voucher booklets-\$37.50
get one (1) booklet free
- Six (6) voucher booklets-\$45
get one (1) booklet free
- Seven (7) voucher booklets-\$52.50
get one (1) booklet free
- Eight (8) voucher booklets-\$60
get one (1) booklet free

Washington County Transit

1000 W. Washington St.

Hagerstown, MD 21740

240.313.2750

****The Ride-Assist Program is a financially
constraint grant funded program.
Availability of funding will determine the
duration of the program.****

COMMUNITY FAIR



We are planning our 2023
Community Fair. Join us at Elgin
Station on Friday, August 18,
2023, from 10 am to 3 pm, for a
day filled with fun, food, and
community resources.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES





What's Happening In Your Community

HELP US HELP YOU! JOIN US FOR YOUR NEXT RESIDENT MEETING TO PLAN COMMUNITY EVENTS!

NO RESIDENT MEETINGS JUNE-AUGUST (unless noted)



C.W.Brooks- Contact Deena Holder Ext. 163

Mondays	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Stamps and Quarter Sales (Multi-Purpose Room)
Mondays	6:00 pm	Tenant Bingo
Wednesday	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Craft Group (Bring your Own Craft)
Thursdays (every other)	2:00- 3:00 pm	Coloring in Library
Thursdays	11:00-12:00 pm	Chair Exercises with Erika (Multi-Purpose Room)

Frederick Manor

Weekly	Currently Zoom	Girl Scouts - Call 304.506.9941 for more information
Monday - Friday	Boys & Girls Club Summer Camp, June 26th-August 11th	8 am to 4 pm

Gateway Crossing

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McCleary Hill

Noland Village

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Parkside & Douglass & Scattered Sites

Sundays	3:30 pm-4:30 pm	End of the Road N/A (Narcotics Anonymous)
Mon - Thurs.	4:30 pm-6:30 pm	After School Program, K-3rd grade
Tuesdays	7:00 pm-8:15 pm	(MEN) End of the Road N/A
Wednesdays	7:00 pm-8:15 pm	(WOMEN) End of the Road N/A
Thursdays	7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Girl Scouts (ages 13-18)
Fridays	5:00 pm-6:00 pm	Girl Scouts, all ages
Sunday,	3:30 pm-6:00 pm	End of the Road N/A - Last Sunday of the month Special Mtg.


Potomac Towers- Contact Dylan Rohrer Ext. 171

Tuesdays and Thursdays	10:00 am-11:30 am	Coffee/Quarters/ Stamps
Tuesdays and Wednesdays	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Narcotics Anonymous (Community Room)
Wednesdays	5:00 pm	BINGO Food/Cards for sale starting at 5 pm, Bingo starts at 6pm
(Look for announcements of Special Dinners sales during BINGO- to provide funds for Special Events)		
Thursdays	10:00 am	Stop Smoking Program (3rd Thursday Every Month)
Thursdays	10:00 am-11:00 am	Exercise w/ Lisa Bennett (in Rooftop Sky Lounge)
Thursday, August 24th	10:30 am	Alison with Maryland Physicians Care (Community Room)
Thursday, August 24th	6:30 pm	Free Live Music by: Our Good Tymes Chorus (Community Room)

Walnut Towers- Contact Heather Nutter Ext. 170

Tuesdays	4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Tenant Bingo
Monday, August 7th	5:00 pm	Tenant Meeting

2023 SUMMER SCHEDULE (JUNE 12–AUGUST 18)



Meal MACHINE

FREE MEALS FOR ANYONE 18 & UNDER

SCHOOL SITES	BESTER ELEMENTARY	385 MILL STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY-THURSDAY LUNCH ONLY 12:30PM TO 1:00PM
	SALEM AVENUE ELEMENTARY	1323 SALEM AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	SMITHSBURG MIDDLE	68 NORTH MAIN STREET SMITHSBURG, MD 21783	
COMMUNITY SITES	CORTLAND MANOR COMPLEX*	12806 LITTLE ELLIOTT DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742	MONDAY-FRIDAY 11:30AM TO NOON
	GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**	712 WEST CHURCH STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	NOLAND VILLAGE COMMUNITY BUILDING	1048 NOLAND DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	OTTERBEIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	108 EAST FRANKLIN STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	BYRON MEMORIAL PARK	11 PARK ROAD WILLIAMSPORT, MD 21795	MONDAY-FRIDAY 12:30PM TO 1:00PM
	CHILDREN IN NEED	131 W. NORTH AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	CLEAR SPRING PARK	12424 BIG POOL ROAD CLEAR SPRING, MD 21722	
	MCCLEARY HILL COMMUNITY BUILDING*	12150 GRANITE DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	PANGBORN PARK	591 PANGBORN BOULEVARD HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	VALLEY MEADOWS COMPLEX	11201 SCARLET OAK CT. HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	WIDMYER PARK	126 WEST HIGH STREET HANCOCK, MD 21750	

***INSIDE EATING OPTION**
♦BREAKFAST SERVED FROM 8:30AM - 9:00AM
MEALS MUST BE CONSUMED ON SITE.
1 MEAL PER DAY - PER CHILD





Resident Advisory Board

- **Noland Village: Vacant Position**
- Frederick Manor: Jennifer Colvin
- Parkside/Douglas: Monique Broadus
- Potomac Towers: Karen Vankeuren Berry
- Walnut Towers: Tammy Swisher
- C.W. Brooks: Peggy Mason
- Gateway Crossing: LakeishaThrower
- McCleary Hill: Erica Dixon
- **HCV Position 1: Vacant Position**
- **HCV Position2: Vacant Position**

If you are interested in any of the vacant positions in your community please contact:

Dianne Rudisill 301.733.6911 x125
Deena Holder 301.733.6911 x163

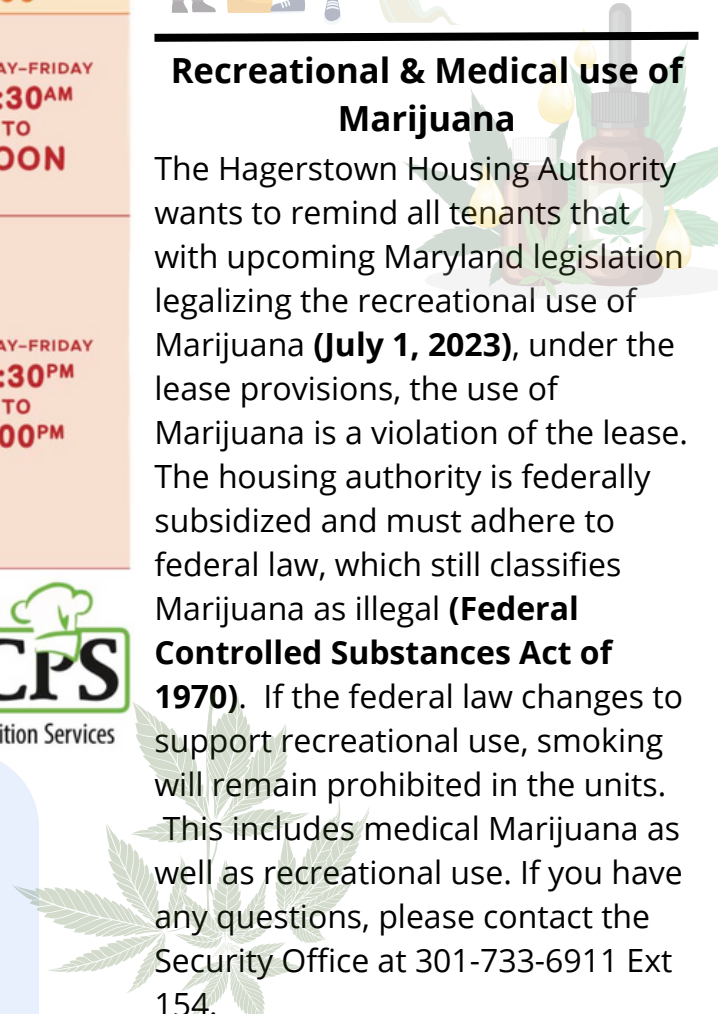
You as a resident are responsible for cleaning up messes that you make in any of the common areas!

If you do not and Maintenance has to clean up the mess you will be charged a minimum clean up fee of \$32.36 from Maintenance. So please be respectful of others and clean up any messes you make.



Recreational & Medical use of Marijuana

The Hagerstown Housing Authority wants to remind all tenants that with upcoming Maryland legislation legalizing the recreational use of Marijuana (**July 1, 2023**), under the lease provisions, the use of Marijuana is a violation of the lease. The housing authority is federally subsidized and must adhere to federal law, which still classifies Marijuana as illegal (**Federal Controlled Substances Act of 1970**). If the federal law changes to support recreational use, smoking will remain prohibited in the units. This includes medical Marijuana as well as recreational use. If you have any questions, please contact the Security Office at 301-733-6911 Ext 154.



Family Community Key Holders

- **Noland Village:** Pamela Felton
- **Frederick Manor:** Jennifer Colvin
- **Parkside Homes:** Monique Broadus

FREE ONLINE CLASSES

Financial Education Partnership-Washington County offers FREE monthly online classes to help members of our community take charge of their finances.

Thursday, August 31st @ 6 pm: Conquering Debt

Financial Education Partnership-Washington County is a collaboration of:



- What debt collection agencies can & can't do
- Steps to take to reduce/eliminate debt
- "Do's" "Do Not's" of negotiating with creditors

To Register for Online Classes, Contact:

Ladetra Robinson
Financial Literacy Success Coach
ladetra@reachofwc.org
301.733.2371 ext. 105

Hagerstown Housing Main 301.733.6911

Security..... 301.730.2096
Maintenance (24 hours)..... 301.733.6916
Maintenance- Pest Control.....301.733-6911 ext. 124

Resident Services Department

Dianne Rudisill301.733.6911 ext. 125
Deena Holder.....301.733.6911 ext. 163
Heather Nutter.....301.733.6911 ext. 170
Dylan Rohrer.....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

Gateway Crossing Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)

301.766.7968

301.733.6911

Resident Services Satellite Offices

Potomac Towers: 148 Walnut Towers: 196
C.W. Brooks: 191

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.

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 as they can fall out leaving the window open. **According to the Dwelling Lease Part II, under Exhibit G, Section I., F** Residents of the high-rise buildings must put a container under the air conditioner to collect any condensation and empty as needed. Do not empty containers over the balcony. Failure to empty these containers could result in a follow-up visit from the Maintenance department to correct the concern of overflow. **(THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO GATEWAY CROSSING RESIDENTS)**

TRASH/RECYCLE CONTAINERS

Effective April 3, 2023, all trash cans and toters 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 maintenance 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 are not to be placed out before 4:00 pm on trash pick-up night at your community.**

TENANT INSTALLED LOCKS

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 door.

BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

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 Sites, Gateway Crossing, and Housing Choice Voucher 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.***

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

1st Thursday: McCleary Hill

2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglass Court

3rd Thursday: Noland Village

4th Thursday: Frederick Manor



PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

Douglass Court

08/16/2023: All Units, Admin Building

Hagerstown Revitalization Corp

08/16/2023: 212-214 & 441-443 N. Jonathan Street

Scattered Sites

08/23/2023: All Units

Walnut Towers "A" Building

08/03/2023: 201-214

08/10/2023: 215/216, 301-311

08/17/2023: 312-316, 401-408

08/24/2023: 409-416, 501-504

C.W. Brooks

08/02/2023: All Units, All Common Areas

Parkside Homes

08/09/2023: All Units, Community Building

Potomac Towers

08/02/2023: G16-G29, Laundry Room, Resident Services Office, Maintenance Department

08/09/2023: 101-127, Trash Rooms

08/16/2023: 201-232, Trash Rooms

08/23/2023: 301-331, Trash Rooms

Gateway Crossing

08/01/2023: 151-281 Ross Street, 902-947 Lanvale Street

08/08/2023: 953-1025 Lanvale Street, 201-250 Buena Vista Avenue

08/15/2023: 251-281 Buena Vista Avenue, 902-1002 Main Avenue

08/22/2023: 941-989 Main Avenue, 1006-1018 Main Avenue, 913-929 Ross Street, 311-361 Chessie Lane, 310/350/360 Buena Vista Avenue



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

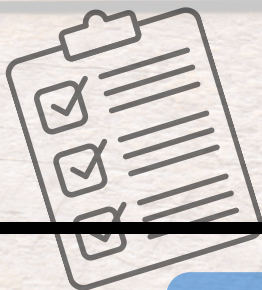
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Maintenance Inspections

Frederick Manor

Tuesday, August 1: No Inspections
Wednesday, August 2: No Inspections
Thursday, August 3: No Inspections
Friday, August 4: No Inspections
Monday, August 7: No Inspections
Tuesday, August 8: 600-666 Hayes Ave (**EVEN**)
Wednesday August 9: 200-206 Hayes Ct (**EVEN**)
Wednesday, August 9: 201-203 Hayes Ct
Thursday, August 10: No Inspections
Friday, August 11: No Inspections
Monday, August 14: 205-207 Hayes Ct (**ODD**)
Monday, August 14: 201A/201B Rowland Ave
Monday, August 14: 203A/203B Rowland Ave
Tuesday, August 15: 607-617 Adams Ave (**ODD**)
Wednesday, August 16: 625-635 Adams Ave (**ODD**)
Thursday, August 17: 600-612 Adams Ave (**EVEN**)
Friday, August 18: No Inspections
Monday, August 21: 614-626 Adams Ave (**EVEN**)
Tuesday, August 22: 628A/628B
Tuesday August 22: 216-224 Taylor Ave (**EVEN**)
Wednesday, August 23: 226-236 Taylor Ave (**EVEN**)
Thursday, August 24: 633-635 Frederick St
Thursday, August 24: 223-229 Taylor Ave (**ODD**)
Friday, August 25: 231/233 Taylor Ave
Friday, August 25: 655/657 Frederick St



Douglass Court

Monday, August 28: 400A/400B Park Place
Monday, August 28: 402A/402B Park Place
Monday, August 28: 406-408 Park Place (**EVEN**)
Tuesday, August 29: 410-426 Park Place (**EVEN**)
Wednesday, August 30: 428-442 Park Place (**EVEN**)
Thursday, August 31: 401-411 Park Place (**ODD**)
Friday, September 1: 415-443 Park Place (**ODD**)

Noland Village

Tuesday, September 5: 1020 A-H Noland Dr
Wednesday, September 6: 1024 A-H Noland Dr
Thursday, September 7: 1028 A-F Noland Dr
Friday, September 8: No Inspections
Monday, September 11: 1032 A-H Noland Dr
Tuesday, September 12: 1036 A-H Noland Dr
Wednesday, September 13: 1040 A-F Noland Dr
Thursday, September 14: 1044 A-H Noland Dr
Friday, September 15: No Inspections
Monday, September 18: 1052 A-H Noland Dr
Tuesday, September 19: 1056 A-H Noland Dr
Wednesday, September 20: 1060 A-H Noland Dr
Thursday, September 21: 1064 A-H Noland Dr
Friday, September 22: No Inspections
Monday, September 25: 1068 A-H Noland Dr
Tuesday, September 26: 1053 A-H Noland Dr
Wednesday, September 27: 1057 A-H Noland Dr
Thursday, September 28: 1061 A-H Noland Dr
Friday, September 29: No Inspections

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. As always be sure to 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 the Maintenance Department and we will have an inspector check it out at no cost to you.

Attention:

CAC will not be coming out this year for Energy Assistance Redeterminations as they have done in previous years. Redetermination letters will come directly from the State of Maryland, not the CAC. If there are any new applicants who have not received funds through OHEP (Office of Home Energy Programs), please get in touch with CAC for any assistance in completing a new application.

Gross Monthly Income Eligibility Table

Household Size

Monthly Income Limit

1	\$2,430
2	\$3,287
3	\$4,143
4	\$5,000
5	\$5,857
6	\$6,713
7	\$7,580
8	\$8,427

To see if you are eligible, please consult the Gross Income Eligibility Limits table to the left. If you have further questions or concerns, please reach out to the CAC at 301.797.4161

For Each Additional Person, Add \$857

Family Healthcare
of Hagerstown
201 S. Cleveland
Avenue
4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

20th ANNUAL HEALTH & WELLNESS FEST

Thursday, August 10

Co-Sponsored by:

FAMILY
HEALTHCARE
OF HAGERSTOWN

An early day of caring
event!



United Way
of Washington County, MD



Giveaways!



Health Screenings!



Health Education!



Activities For All Ages!



Food!



FREE

**COMMUNITY
EVENT**