



Hagerstown Housing Authority NEWSLETTER

August 2024



Hagerstown Flying Boxcars BINGO held at Potomac Towers!

The residents of Potomac Towers were treated to special guests for BINGO on July 16th. Players from the Hagerstown Flying Boxcars joined residents for a meet and greet and stayed to play BINGO. Lucky winners received Boxcar merchandise, and some won tickets to a baseball game! The Hagerstown Housing Authority would like to thank the players and staff from the Hagerstown Flying Boxcars for taking time out of their schedules to visit with our residents. HHA would also like to thank Priscilla McDonald and Tony Showe Sr for their assistance with BINGO. Also, Helen Willis who helped to contact the team to set up the meet and greet.



L-R Hagerstown Flying Boxcars Players:
#3 Demetrius Moorner, #1 Cito Culver,
#22 Blake Berry

Family Self-Sufficiency Program

Have you considered the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program? More individuals are learning how participating 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 FSS Coordinator who will assist you in identifying your strengths and establishing personal goals.
- Your goals will vary based on your individual needs and are concentrated on employment, education, credit repair, financial literacy, home ownership, and much more!
- Connections to Community Resources will 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 that the Housing Authority holds.
- Any individual who is in 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,

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tmyers@hagerstownha.com

please contact:

Kelly Mills, 301.733.6911, ext. 158
kmills@hagerstownha.com

Pamela Schnebly, 301.733.6911, ext. 167
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**We are moving the Community Fair
this year!**

**Join us for a bigger and better than ever
Community Fair! Open to the Public!**

We are planning our 2024 Community Fair. Join us at 35 W. Baltimore Street, along the Cultural Trail by the Mural of Unusual Size on Thursday, August 15, 2024. We will host a day filled with fun, food, and community resources.

Numbers To Know

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

2024 SUMMER SCHEDULE (JUNE 10–AUGUST 16)



**FREE
LUNCH
FOR ANYONE
18 & UNDER**

SCHOOL SITES	BESTER ELEMENTARY	385 MILL STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY-THURSDAY 12:30PM TO 1:00PM
	SALEM AVENUE ELEMENTARY	1323 SALEM AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
COMMUNITY SITES	CORTLAND MANOR COMPLEX*	12806 LITTLE ELLIOTT DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742	
	NOLAND VILLAGE COMMUNITY BUILDING	1048 NOLAND DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY-FRIDAY 11:30AM TO NOON
	OTTERBEIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	108 EAST FRANKLIN STREET HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	VALLEY MEADOWS COMPLEX	11201 SCARLET OAK CT. HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	BYRON MEMORIAL PARK	11 PARK ROAD WILLIAMSPORT, MD 21795	
	CHILDREN IN NEED*	131 W. NORTH AVENUE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	MONDAY-FRIDAY 12:30PM TO 1:00PM
	MCCLEARY HILL COMMUNITY BUILDING	12150 GRANITE DRIVE HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	
	PANGBORN PARK	591 PANGBORN BOULEVARD HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740	

***INSIDE EATING OPTION
MEALS MUST BE CONSUMED ON SITE.
1 MEAL PER DAY - PER CHILD**

THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER. QUESTIONS: 301-766-2890



FREE ONLINE CLASSES

Wednesday, August 28, 2024: "Daily Money Management" at 6 pm

To Register for Online Classes, Contact:
Ladetra Robinson
Financial Literacy Success Coach
ladetra@reachofwc.org
301.733.2371 ext. 105

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

Financial Education Partnership-Washington County is a collaboration of:



C.W.Brooks- Contact Dylan Rohrer Ext. 171

Mondays	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Stamps and Quarter Sales (Multi-Purpose Room)
Mondays	6:00 pm	Tenant Bingo
Wednesday	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Craft Group (Bring your Own Craft)
Thursdays (every other)	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Coloring in Library
Resident Meeting (2nd Thursday every month) No Meetings June-August		

Frederick Manor

Girl Scouts-will not meet during the summer- new schedule will posted in the fall
Resident Meeting (4th Thursday every month) No Meetings June-August

Gateway Crossing

Resident Meeting (2nd Thursday of every Quarter- Jan, April, Oct)

McCleary Hill

Tenant Association Meeting (3rd Thursday every month) No Meetings June-August

Noland Village

Resident Meeting (3rd Wednesday every month) No Meetings June-August

Parkside & Douglass & Scattered Sites

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

Resident Meeting (3rd Thursday every month) No Meetings June-August

Potomac Towers- Contact Dylan Rohrer Ext. 171

Tuesdays and Wednesdays	10:30 - 11:30 am	Narcotics Anonymous (Community Room)
Wednesdays	5:00 pm	BINGO Food/Cards for sale starting at 5 pm, Bingo starts at 6pm
Thursdays	10:00 am	Stop Smoking Program (3rd Thursday)
Thursdays	4:00 pm	Exercise w/ Lisa Bennett (in Rooftop Sky Lounge)

Tenant Association Meeting (2nd Monday every month) No Meetings July-August

Walnut Towers- Contact Heather Nutter Ext. 170

Tuesdays	4:00 pm	Tenant Bingo
Monday, August 5th	5:00 pm	Tenant Association Meeting (1st Monday every month)

**Second Tuesday Every
Month 2-4 pm**



Horizon
Goodwill Industries

Please join us on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 2-4 pm in the parking lot of McCleary Hill Community Building.

Horizon Goodwill Industries can assist with:

- Gaining Employment
- Finding Healthcare
- Recovery Assistance



TRASH/RECYCLE CONTAINERS

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Effective April 1, 2024, all trash cans and toters must be placed and kept in the rear of your unit. Containers must be moved after emptying them on the pickup day to avoid a charge. You will be charged a minimum of \$32.91 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 out before 4:00 pm on trash pick-up night at your community.***

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 that all faucets are turned completely off when you are not using. 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.
- 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 your face or shave your face after filling the sink.

TIPS ON REMOVING MOLD & MILDEW

Mold/mildew can grow in areas that are moist such as 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 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 Maintenance and we will have an inspector check it out at no cost to you.

WADING POOLS/SWIMMING POOLS

Residents are reminded that wading pools and swimming pools are a violation of our lease (**Please see Section G (Pools and Hoses), Item 17.** Not only are unattended pools unsafe but they damage the lawn and impede mowing.

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. Yard Waste Collection started Sunday, February 25, 2024 and will run through Friday, December 20, 2024.***

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**



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. Residents of the high-rise buildings must put a container under the air conditioner to collect any condensation and empty it as needed. **(THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO GATEWAY CROSSING RESIDENTS)**

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 the inspector or maintenance personnel, you will be charged to correct the lock and the door.

PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

Parkside Homes

08/14/2024: All Units & Community Building

Douglas Court

08/21/2024: All Units & Admin Building

Hagerstown Revitalization Corporation

08/21/2024: 212-214 & 441-443 North Jonathan Street

Scattered Sites

08/28/2024: All Units

C.W. Brooks

08/07/2024: All Units & Common Areas

Gateway Crossing

08/06/2024: 151-281 Ross Street, 902-947 Lanvale Street

08/13/2024: 953-1025 Lanvale Street, 201-250 Buena Vista Avenue

08/20/2024: 251-281 Buena Vista Avenue, 902-1002 Main Avenue

08/27/2024: 1006-1018 Main Avenue, 941-989 Main Avenue, 311-361 Chessie Lane, 310/350/360 Buena Vista Avenue, 913-929 Ross Street

Potomac Towers

08/07/2024: G16-G29, Laundry Room, Maintenance Department

08/14/2024: 101-127, Trash Rooms

08/21/2024: 201-232, Trash Rooms

08/28/2024: 301-331, Trash Rooms

Walnut Towers "A" Building

08/08/2024: 201-214

08/15/2024: 215/216, 301-311

08/22/2024: 312-316, 401-408

08/29/2024: 409-416-501-504



Report a Concern

[www.hagerstownha.com/
reportaconcern](http://www.hagerstownha.com/reportaconcern)
or you can also scan the
QR code



Want To Be Kept Up To Date?

The Housing Authority has a text message system that will keep you up to date on programming and urgent messages. If you wish to receive text alerts or need to update your phone number in the system, please contact Deena Holder at 301-733-6911 x163 or via email at dholder@hagerstownha.com.

POSSIBLE INSPECTION RESCHEDULES COULD OCCUR

Gateway Crossing

Week of **Units to be inspected**

August 5th: Lanvale Street: 932,934,936,942
Buena Vista Avenue: 210, 230,
240, 250, 260, 280

August 12th: Summer Street: 103, 113, 115, 117,
119, 125, 127, 153, 155

Douglas Court

Wednesday, August 28: Park Place- 400A-B, 402
A-B, 406-408 (EVEN)

Thursday, August 29: Park Place- 410-426 (EVEN)

Tuesday, September 3: Park Place- 428-442 (EVEN)

Wednesday, September 4: Park Place- 401-411
(ODD)

Thursday, September 5: Park Place- 415-443 (ODD)

Frederick Manor

Thursday, August 1: Taylor Ave- 201-211 (ODD)

Friday, August 2: Taylor Ave- 213-215 (ODD), Hayes
Ave- 660-666 (EVEN)

Monday, August 5: Hayes Ct- 200-206 (EVEN), 201-
203 (ODD)

Thursday, August 8: Hayes Ct- 205 & 207 (ODD),
Rowland Ave- 201A & 201B, 203A & 203B

Friday, August 9: Adams Ave- 607-617 (ODD)

Friday, August 16: Adams Ave- 625-635 (ODD)

Monday, August 19: Adams Ave- 600-612 (EVEN)

Tuesday, August 20: Adams Ave- 614-626 (EVEN)

Wednesday, August 21: Adams Ave- 628A & 628B.

Taylor Ave- 216-224 (EVEN)

Thursday, August 22: Taylor Ave- 226-236 (EVEN)

Monday, August 26: Frederick St- 633 & 635, Taylor
Ave- 223-229 (ODD)

Tuesday, August 27: Taylor Ave- 231 & 233 (ODD),
Frederick St- 655 & 657 (ODD)

Noland Drive

Monday, September 9: Noland Drive 1020 A-H

Tuesday, September 10: Noland Drive 1024 A-H

Wednesday, September 11: Noland Drive 1028 A-H

Thursday, September 12: Noland Drive 1032 A-H

BBQ Grill Reminder



BBQ grills, smokers, gas grills,
or charcoal grills are **NOT**
PERMITTED at Gateway
Crossing, McCleary Hill, C.W.
Brooks, Potomac Towers, or
Walnut Towers.



FMB Laundry will be onsite for a brief training on using the new laundry cards and kiosks with the new laundry machines. Please attend to have any questions about the new machines answered by the contractor:

- **Potomac Towers:** Monday, August 5, 2024, at 4 pm **(C.W. Brooks residents, please attend this meeting if you have questions)**
- **Walnut Towers:** Monday, August 5, 2024, at 5 pm **(during the Tenant Association meeting)**