



Hagerstown Housing Authority NEWSLETTER

September 2024

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER DANIEL WOODRUFF



Dan has been selected again to receive the Employee of the Quarter award! With the Security Department being down Security Officers, Dan stepped up as the Security Manager and volunteered to change his work hours from the day shift to cover the night shift while the Authority searched for a new Patrol Supervisor.

Dan took on the added responsibility of reviewing the daily practices to ensure staff worked to the best of their ability and to improve their security skills. His supervisor states, "Dan's actions are truly commendable and a true example of what leadership is."

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

2024 COMMUNITY FAIR

This year's Community Fair brought exciting changes, including a new location at the Housing Authority's Admin office. The move provided additional space for a variety of activities, vendors, and community partners, enhancing the overall experience for attendees

Sponsored in part by the City of Hagerstown, the event showcased the results of the Choice Neighborhood surveys conducted earlier this year. These surveys gathered valuable input from residents, helping to shape future community developments and initiatives.

The expanded venue allowed for more interactive activities and a greater number of vendors, offering a diverse range of products and services. Community partners also had ample space to engage with attendees, providing information and resources to support local needs.

Overall, the 2024 Community Fair was a resounding success, bringing the community together in a vibrant and inclusive environment.





Take control of your health by participating in Living Well with Diabetes

This 6 week program is led by trained facilitators who will lead discussions in the following topics and more:

**Healthy Eating
Physical Activity
Medication Management
Communication
Dealing with Difficult Emotions
Action Planning**

**The class will be held at the
Potomac Towers**

Being held on Mondays

September 16 - October 28 , 1:30 - 4:00 pm (no class on October 14 due to the holiday)

To register contact Kim at 301-790-0275, ext. 231 or via email at ktorsiello@wccoaging.org

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.....301.733.6911ext. 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

Family Self-Sufficiency Program



Work with a FSS Coordinator that will identify your strengths and assist you with your goals. · Referrals to Community Partners to help you attain your goals. · Job Readiness. · Financial Literacy Workshops. · Home Ownership Workshops · Understanding and Building your Credit. · For eligible participants, as employment is obtained or earned income increases, FSS participants may be eligible to build an escrow savings account that is held by the Housing Authority. · Goals will vary based on each individual FSS Participant. · Any individual who is a recipient of the Section 8 or Public Housing Program is eligible to take advantage of this opportunity

Recipients of Hagerstown Housing Authority are taking advantage of the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. They are learning how becoming a participant in the FSS program can assist them with connecting them to valuable Community Resources and their journey in achieving their future goals.

Your goals can be anything you set your mind to, and as a Family Self-Sufficiency participant you receive:

If you have an interest in learning more about our Family Self-Sufficiency Program, feel free to contact a FSS Coordinator.

Tacy Myers, 301.733.6911, ext. 157
tmyers@hagerstownha.com

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

Pamela Schnebly, 301.733.6911, ext. 167
pschnebly@hagerstownha.com

C.W.Brooks- Contact Heather Nutter Ext. 170

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
Thursday, September 12th	5:00 pm	Resident Meeting (2nd Thursday every month)

Frederick Manor

Girl Scouts-will not meet during the summer- new schedule will posted in the fall

Thursday, September 26th	11:00 am	Resident Meeting (4th Thursday every month)
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Gateway Crossing

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

McCleary Hill

Thursday, September 19th	5:30 pm	Tenant Association Meeting (3rd Thursday every month)
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Noland Village

Wednesday, September 18th	10:00 am	Resident Meeting (3rd Wednesday every month)
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Parkside & Douglass & Scattered Sites

Sundays	3:30 - 4:30 pm	End of the Road N/A (Narcotics Anonymous)
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.)
Thursday, September 19th	2:00 pm	Resident Meeting (3rd Thursday every month)

Potomac Towers- Contact Heather Nutter Ext. 170

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 (Community Room)
Monday September 9th	5:30 pm	Tenant Association Meeting (2nd Monday every month)

Walnut Towers- Contact Dylan Rohrer Ext. 171

Tuesdays	4:00 pm	Tenant Bingo
Monday, September 9th	5:00 pm	Tenant Association Meeting (1st Monday every month- unless a holiday)



Horizon
Goodwill Industries

Please join us on Tuesday, September 10, 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. Due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 2, 2024, all collections for this week will be delayed by one day!**

GRAFFITI

in accordance with your housing lease, **Exhibit G, Part 3E**: Graffiti on exterior surfaces is unacceptable and must be removed immediately. The Housing Authority will charge the responsible parties for removal of the graffiti (examples include spray paint, chalk, etc.). Contact the Maintenance Department and report graffiti immediately. Your cooperation in keeping our communities looking nice is appreciated.

REMOVAL OF WINDOW AIR CONDITIONERS

Each year the Authority requires all residents in **FAMILY** units to remove air conditioners from their windows by October 1st. Air conditioners that have not been removed by December 1st will be removed by Maintenance and the resident will be charged. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. **(THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO GATEWAY CROSSING RESIDENTS)**

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 are responsible for performing their work in a safe manner. They have a difficult task to accomplish and need your help to keep track of small children. Please, for the safety of your children, help keep them away from the contractors while mowing. All communities will be moved on **THURSDAY** with the exception of rain. **FRIDAY WILL BE USED AS A RAIN DAY.**

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.**

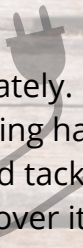
You may have your bulk items picked up on the following days of each month:

- 1st Thursday: McCleary Hill**
- 2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglass Court**
- 3rd Thursday: Noland Village**
- 4th Thursday: Frederick Manor**

INSPECTION CORNER

ATTENTION RESIDENTS: All tenant owned Appliances, Refrigerators, Freezers, A/C Units must be inspected, and deficiencies recorded as if they are owned by the Housing Authority. Any repairs will need to be completed in a timely manner or removal will be needed. Health and Safety items will also need to be inspected. For example, broken/cracked glass, mirrors, missing fan covers, fire extinguishers and play equipment. Furniture blocking windows need to be moved away from these areas. Flammable/combustible items must be properly stored, not inside your unit.

CABLE TRIPPERS



If you have a TV or telephone cable crossing stairs or walkways, please remove them immediately. Per your lease agreement, cables are not permitted to be run in a manner that may cause a tripping hazard. Cables are to be fastened to the baseboard and door frames by use of cable tacks ("U" shaped tacks). Cables are to be run up and around door frames and **NOT** across walkways. If you could trip over it, then it is improperly installed. Improperly installed cable will be removed by Maintenance and the cost charged to the tenant. New or existing cable will not be re-installed causing you the loss of use of the TV or telephone served by the cable. Avoid this major inconvenience by properly installing your cable now.

PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

Noland Village

09/04/2024: Ct 3 (1020-1032), Ct 5 (1036-1044), Community Building

09/11/2024: Ct 7 (1052-1068), Ct 8 (1053-1057)

09/18/2024: Ct 8 (1061)

McCleary Hill

09/18/2024: Granite Drive, Fluorite Drive

09/25/2024: Insurance Way (formerly Gneiss Drive), Calcite Drive

Gateway Crossing

09/03/2024: 931-990 Ross Street

09/10/2024: 1017-1037 Westport Drive, 901,903,907,909 Ross Street, 801-845 Main Avenue

09/17/2024: 265,267,271,273 South Burhans Blvd, 701-812 Lanvale Avenue

09/24/2024: 103-181 Summer Street, 25-53 Elgin Blvd

Potomac Towers

09/04/2024: 401-432, Trash Rooms, Laundry Room, Compactor Rooms

09/11/2024: 501-531, Trash Rooms

09/18/2024: 601-632, Trash Rooms

09/25/2024: 701-731, Trash Rooms

Walnut Towers "A" Building

09/05/2024: 505-516

09/12/2024: 601-616

09/19/2024: 701-710

09/26/2024: 711-716, 810-816



MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS

POSSIBLE INSPECTION RESCHEDULES COULD OCCUR

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

Monday, September 16: Noland Drive 1036 A-H

Tuesday, September 17: Noland Drive 1040 A-H

Wednesday, September 18: Noland Drive 1044 A-H

Thursday, September 19: Noland Drive 1052 A-H

Monday, September 23: Noland Drive 1053 A-H

Tuesday, September 24: Noland Drive 1060 A-H

Wednesday, September 25: Noland Drive 1064 A-H

Thursday, September 26: Noland Drive 1068 A-H

Monday, September 30: Noland Drive 1053 A-H

Tuesday, October 1: Noland Drive 1057 A-H

Wednesday, October 2: Noland Drive 1061 A-H

Scattered Sites

Thursday, October 3: 444-456 N. Jonathan Street

Monday, October 7: 458-466 N. Jonathan Street

Monday, October 7: 201 & 203 East Avenue

Tuesday, October 8: 205-213 East Avenue

Tuesday, October 8: 228-230 E. Franklin Street

Wednesday, October 9: 28-38 Wakefield Road

Thursday, October 10: 410 & 412 Freemont Avenue

Thursday, October 10: 451-457 Mitchell Avenue (ODD)

HSWC Meals for Paws Food Distribution

Friday, September 27, 2024

Potomac Towers/C.W.Brooks @ 9 am
Walnut Towers @ 9:30 am



Staying Connected with the Hagerstown Housing Authority

Report a Concern

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



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.

To access the Rent Café Portal via cell phone, please download the RentCafé Resident app

To access the Rent Café Portal via computer, please visit www.hagerstownha.com and scroll to the bottom. Then click "Resident Portal"

Have you signed up for our online Resident Portal?

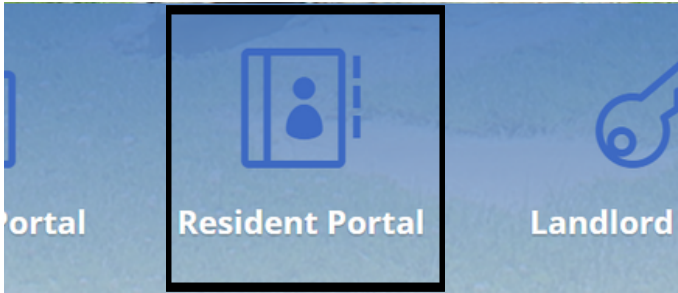
Save time when you are on the go with the Resident Portal app through Rent Café!

Submit routine service requests | Pay your rent online | Complete resident forms

We have a **FREE** app for that



Right from your phone!



JOIN TODAY!

Download the Rent Café Resident App at:



The Salvation Army Red Shield Club of Hagerstown A Boys and Girls Club for ages 5 through 13



Click Above to Register Now!



2024-2025 School Year

Middle School

2:30 to 5:30 PM

Elementary School

3:30 to 5:30 PM

Arts & Crafts

Physical Education

S.T.E.M

Educational Resources

Mentoring Program

Teen Center

Dinner, Games, Field Trips & More...

Providing a Positive, Safe and Fun Environment!!

FREE ONLINE CLASSES

Wednesday, September 25, 2024: "Earn It, Plan It, Keep It" 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:

