

THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS



HAPPY EASTER

The staff of the Housing Authority wishes you and your family a very happy and blessed Easter on Sunday, April 5th.

- “From death came life, from sorrow came joy; this is the hope of Easter.” — Aloo Denish Obiero

CONDOLENCES

The Housing Authority staff sends our most sincere condolences to the family, friends and neighbors of Mr. Roger Simmons. He was a longtime resident of Normal Park and passed away last month. He leaves behind a faithful companion, his dog, Jett, that he cared for and loved dearly. Rest in peace, Mr. Roger. We will miss seeing you in the office.

FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

The tax filing deadline is fast approaching and it’s not too late to get free income tax assistance at the Thomas County UGA Extension office. It’s located at

442 Smith Avenue, phone number is 229-225-4130 and email is olivia.tumlin@uga.edu.

BINGO

Bingo has returned and the big winner for March was Brenda Thomas-Smith with 6 wins and Ann Mickens coming in second with 4 wins. We would like to thank Ms. Ethel Robinson and Ms. Shonda Sneed for bringing some delicious snacks to share with everyone. The only date for April is the 8th. We would love to have you join us!

RE-CERTIFICATIONS DEADLINE

To our Boston residents – A few of you have not recertified and this MUST be completed before April 30th or you will receive a 30-day notice to vacate. NO EXCEPTIONS! This is a HUD requirement that must be done every year in order to continue living in public housing.

This is an important reminder. If you owe community service hours, they must be turned in before your re-certification.

INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

Public housing is meant to be a stepping stone until you can do better. So with that in mind, are you ready to own your own home? You have an incredible opportunity to do that. The Thomasville Community Development Corporation has new homes on Stevens Street and wants to help you become a homeowner. They will counsel you on improving your credit score if needed and help you secure a low-interest loan. If you are interested in this incredible opportunity, call Kay at the office for more information. This is too good to miss out on!

FAIRCLOTH COMMUNITY BUILDING

The Faircloth community building is now available for use by our residents. Call Kay at the office if you would like to reserve it.

THE STORE, WITH VARIOUS ITEMS INCLUDING FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, CLOTHING, PURSES AND SHOES, WILL BE OPEN ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15TH FROM 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. THESE ITEMS ARE FREE OF CHARGE AND ARE MEANT TO HELP OUR RESIDENTS IN NEED SO COME ON OUT AND SEE IF THERE’S ANYTHING YOU CAN USE.

RESIDENT REMINDERS

*Remember not to block windows and doors. This is a major lease violation and against HUD rules. At least one window must be free in case of an emergency. There is also a fine for this violation. Thank you all for cooperating.

*Remember, there is a \$10 charge for not pulling your garbage can back to your unit within 24 hours after pickup and a \$10 charge for putting items on your porch for the dump wagon before Wednesday.

NO ITEMS FOR PICK UP ON THE FRONT PORCH – BACK PORCH ONLY!

*Inspections are the week of the 20th this month.
*Call the office if your can is damaged and we will inform the city and have it repaired or replaced for you. Also, please put garbage in bags before placing it in the can to keep it clean. Don’t forget to pull it back after pick up.

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 1 – Rent due
- April 1 – April Fool’s Day
- April 3 – Good Friday
- April 5 – Easter
- April 7 – Last day to pay before late fees
- April 8 – Late Fees
- April 8 – Bingo at College Terrace Community Bldg
- Week of 20th – Pest control/meter reading
- April 21 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos
- April 22 – Dispossessorys for non-payment
- April 22 – No Bingo

April 22 – Earth Day

LATE NOTICES

Remember, the late notices are added after the 5th working day of each month. If you receive a late notice for past due rent, you have fourteen (14) calendar days to pay. This will not always be the same date every month. After the 14 days, if rent is still not paid you will be turned over to the Magistrate Court and charged an additional \$80. Then, if rent is not paid in the next 7 days a Writ of Possession is issued and the Magistrate Court sets a date and time to set out a tenant’s belongings with an additional \$25 added to the account.

In order to avoid a late fee, rent must be paid in the office or put in the drop box BEFORE late fees are added. It doesn’t matter when the money order is dated. If it is not turned in to the office by the due date, then it is considered late. Remember that rent and utilities must be paid in full. NO PARTIAL PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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Our Maintenance Department is open for emergency work orders 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

EMERGENCY WORK ORDER #403-7436

1. Gas leak or smell
2. Main sewer line backed up
3. Stopped up toilet (if running over on floor)
4. Main water line break
5. Apartment is flooded.
6. Heater is out if below 32 degrees F or not after 10:00 pm
7. Power is out.



I am the resurrection and the life. Jn 11:25