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PUBLIC HOUSING HAPPENINGS

Mark your Calendars for June 24, 2023

Public Housing will be hosting our 8th Strong Families Event. AHA is encouraging all residents to come out to the V.E. Brailsford B site from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00p.m.

The purpose is to provide an opportunity for fun, food and door prizes for the Public Housing Families. We will also have a Tenant Talent Show and Various agencies for resource booths.



KIDS GAME NIGHTS THIS MONTH WILL BE May 5th and May 19th from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the E.W. Williams Community Center





ABILENE HOUSING AUTHORITY



Pest Control Dates:

1st Wed.– E.W and Office

2nd Wed -Deegan

3rd Wed -Riviera

*In order to change
we must be sick and
tired of being sick
and tired.*

Author Unknown

Current RAB Members:

Lester Crenshaw

Auriana Gardner

Carmella Hall

Kathleen Ritz

Interested in Applying? *Online Application*

AHA has online applications for interested applicants on its website. When you access our website at (www.abileneha.org) click on the second tab and follow the easy-to-use process. You can choose from the Public Housing Waiting Lists and/or the Housing Choice Voucher Waiting List. Once you complete the online application you are automatically placed on the Waiting List (s) of your choice!



MAY Events

- ◆ 1-Rent Due
- ◆ 5– Last day to pay rent without the \$15 late charge. (if the 5th is on a weekend, rent is due by 8:00 a.m. Monday.
- ◆ Grace museum -Every Thursday—Free Admission 1:00-8:00p.m
- ◆ Family Fun Saturdays at the NCCIL, 102 Cedar 10:00-4:00p.m
- ◆ 14—Mothers Day
- ◆ 29—Memorial Day—Office is closed

RAB and Resident Council

RAB (Resident Advisory Board)

RAB Stands for Resident Advisory Board. The Resident Advisory Board is made up of residents from Public Housing and HCV. These residents reflect and represent the residents assisted by the Abilene Housing Authority. The role of this board is to assist and make recommendations regarding the development of the PHA plan and any significant amendment or modifications to the PHA Plan. WE WANT YOUR INPUT! Interested? Call Tanya at 325-676-6032

Resident Council

Resident Council is a council that consists of residents from Public Housing. Unlike RAB, Resident Council is a tenant association geared towards the revitalization of public housing. The Council exists to make public housing better. Tenants can come together and get things done, and get things changed!

We all know that there are some things that cannot be changed. However, we are dedicated to making changes that will bring improvement. Interested? Call Tanya at 325-676-6032. Participation in RAB or Resident Council count towards Community Service





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According to American Heart Association, someone in the United States has a stroke every 40 seconds. This accounts for 1 out of 19 deaths.

A stroke is when blood flow to a part of the brain is blocked or a blood vessel in the brain bursts. Some treatments work only if treated within the first 3 hours after the symptoms start. A delay can risk permanent brain damage or death.

You can help prevent strokes with healthy lifestyle choices such as healthy diet, healthy weight, physical activity, no smoking, and limited alcohol.

Talk to your doctor to help manage the conditions that can increase the risk of a stroke. This can include monitoring high blood pressure and diabetes among others.

“If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put foundations under them.”

Henry David Thoreau

Money Follows the Person (MFP) Program

This program has its own target population of those transitioning from nursing facilities back into the mainstream.

Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Program

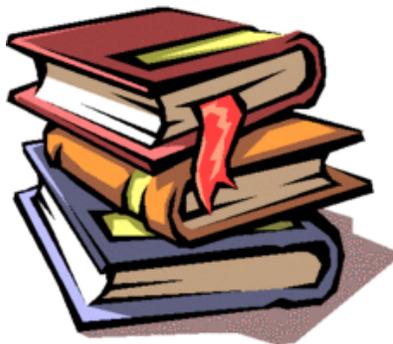
Ross Program is a program open to all Public Housing Residents. The goal of ROSS is to work with residents to identify barriers to self sufficiency, and connect residents with local service providers in the community to meet those needs!

Renter's Insurance

As a resident of Public Housing, you may want to consider purchasing Renters Insurance.

Renters insurance covers a policyholder's belongings against perils such as fire, theft/vandalism, flood/water damage, windstorm, hail etc. It provides personal liability coverage for damage the policy holder or dependents cause to third parties. It also provides additional living expenses, known as loss of use coverage if a policy holder must move while his or her dwelling is repaired. It can include coverage for their replacement cost or actual cash value that includes depreciation. For more information contact local insurance agencies and additional information is in the PH Office Lobby.

Continued Training/Meeting : *Increasing our Knowledge!*



- Kimberlee, Tanya and Paul along with HCV staff traveled to Tarrant County Housing Authority to look at their use of the Happy Software.





“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act but a habit.”

Aristotle



Manager's Corner



Maintain Electric and Gas

Management will be strictly enforcing Tenants obligation's to maintain all tenant paid utilities in working order. Please refer to your lease Section VI- Utilities and Appliances ,section B which states the following:

Tenant agrees to maintain natural gas and electric services in the dwelling unit at all times. Failure to maintain electricity or gas services for more than (24) hours shall be considered a serious violation of terms of the Lease and shall be grounds for termination of the lease.

Lease violations and termination notices will be sent to all Tenants who fail to maintain electric or gas services in their unit.

Resident Activities/ Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| Andre Bingham | Prince Hodge |
| Jade Cardenas | Winter Marines |
| Christian Cortinez | Angelo Rocha |
| Kenny Fariala | Celine Uwitonze |
| Paisley Garcia | |
| Ava Harris | |





AHA — Providing Homes for Families

ABILENE HOUSING AUTHORITY LOW RENT PUBLIC HOUSING

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Customer Service Email Address:
helpdesk@abileneha.org



Mission Statement:

The Housing Authority's mission is to service the housing needs of low-income families in the Authority's jurisdiction in order to enhance self-sufficiency and promote community quality of life and economic viability.

Vision Statement:

We will be recognized as a leading authority in moderate and low-income community development activities in West Texas.

We're on the web: <http://www.abileneha.org>

Abilene Housing Authority Office Personnel:

Chief Executive Officer—Gene Reed

Housing Manager—Kimberlee Rodriguez

Assistant Housing Manager—Debra Hart

Housing Counselor—Kathy Bouldin

Resident Services Coordinator—Tanya Johnson

ROSS Coordinator —Veronica Berube

Crew Chief—Ali Mitachi

Maintenance—Onecimo Almazan and Evaristo Almazan

