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Newsletter Date
August 2023



back to School

August 16, 2023
1st Day of School

**"Education is the most powerful weapon which
you can use to change the world."**

Nelson Mandela

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Texas allows you to purchase the following items tax-free during their annual sales tax holiday: \$100 worth of clothing, backpacks, and school supplies from August 11-13, 2023

Registration website for the following school year is:

<https://teams.abileneisd.org/registration>

Don't forget about meeting the teacher, watch for the upcoming date from your local school

Do you need a High School diploma?

Alta Vista school has classes.

Morning, afternoon, and evening times.

Call Veronica for more information

325-676-6032 x6016



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Community Corner News

Earl Williams Community Corner has started a Facebook page, thanks to Daniel Fox. If you live at Earl Williams search "Earl Williams Community Corner", to be part of the group and get information.

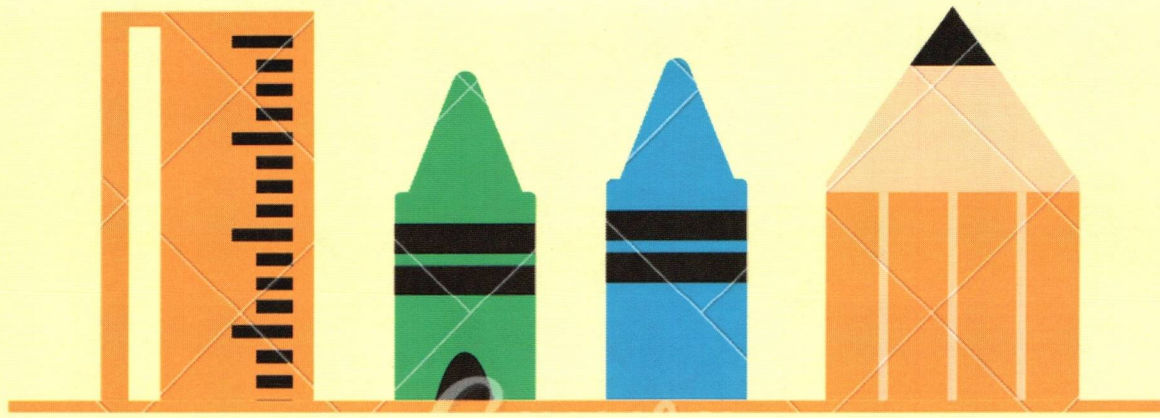
We are still looking for volunteers to join the Community Corner Groups for the following sites:

V.E. Brailsford
Riviera
Deegan

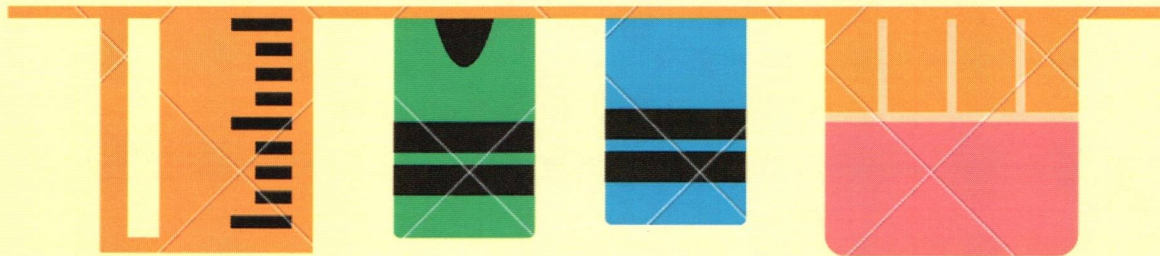
Let's get together as a Community to improve our sites. We will discuss what is happening with Public Housing and any concerns you may have. We need volunteers in order to grow our Community Corner Groups.



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Manager's Corner



Parking & Towing Policy

Residents who want a parking sticker , will need the following:

- 1. Valid Car Insurance**
- 2. Registration Document**

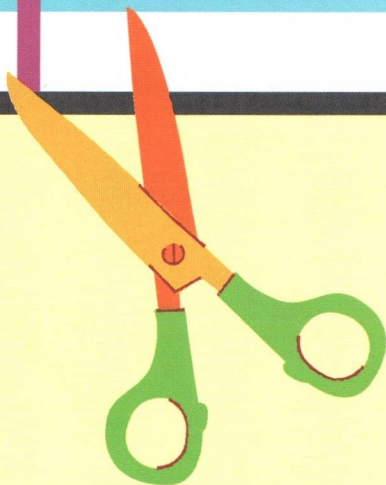
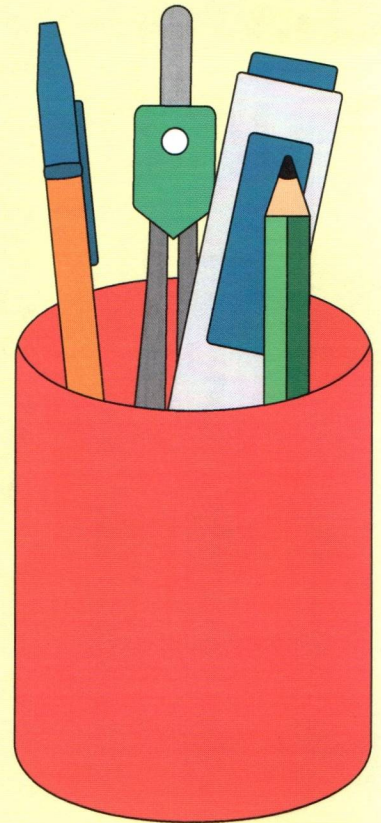
Sticker must be place on the vehicle's back window.

**Any vehicle without a sticker WILL BE TOWED
NO EXCEPTIONS**

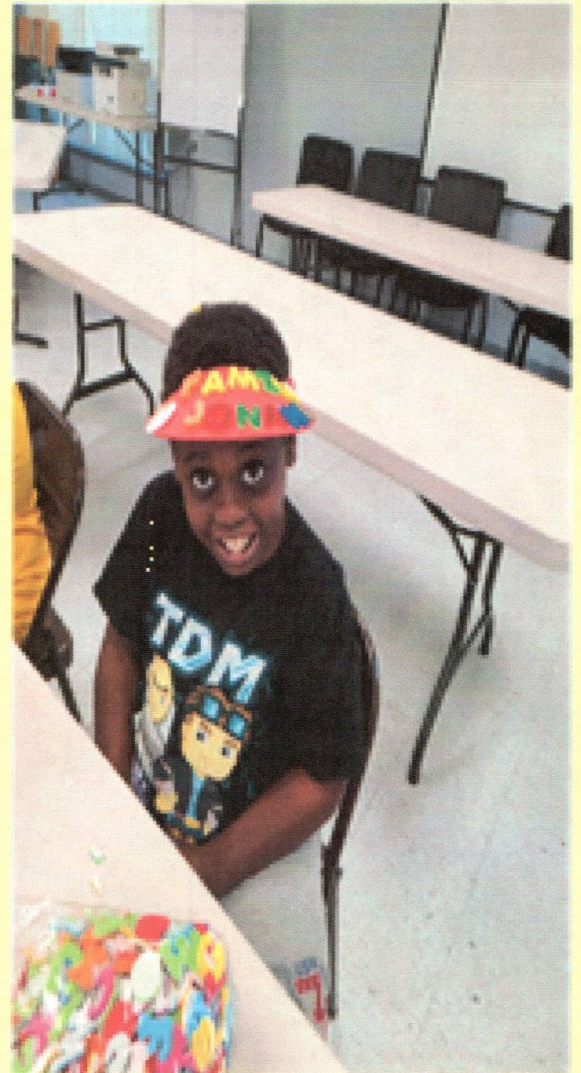


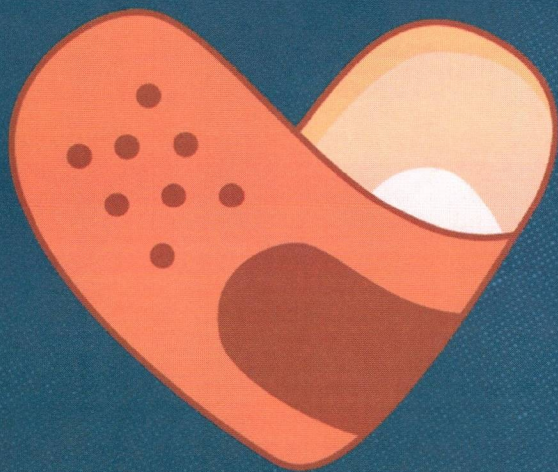
Event Cancelled

- The strong Families event was cancelled due to extreme hot weather on June 24, 2023
- The event has been rescheduled for
- October 7, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Brailsford "B" site



Camp Heatwave 2023





National Immunization Awareness Month

#ivax2protect

National Immunization Awareness month (NIAM) is an annual observance held in August to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages.

Vaccines work by stimulating the body's immune system to safely provide protection against viruses or bacteria that cause infection. After vaccination, the immune system is prepared to respond quickly when the body encounters the disease-causing organism.

Why are vaccines important? They help provide protection from an infectious disease and can lessen the severity of illness. If you are immune to a disease, you can be exposed to it without becoming sick. Simply put, because of advance in medical science, vaccines can help protect us against more disease than ever before. Some diseases that once injured or killed thousands of people have been eliminated primarily due to vaccines.



Back-to-School Vaccination Appointments

We have extended appointment hours throughout the summer to make it easier for you to get your children the vaccine they need!

Accepting CHIP, MEDICAID, uninsured, and BCBS PPO. Please call for questions regarding eligibility for the Texas Vaccines for Children program.

AUGUST:

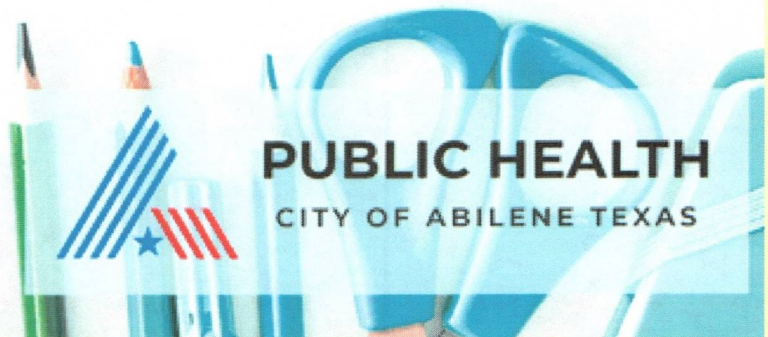
- Thursday, August 3rd: **8:30am-6:30pm**
- Tuesday, August 15th: **8:30am-6:30pm**
- Thursday, August 24th: **8:30am-6:30pm**
- Tuesday, August 29th: **8:30am-6:30pm**

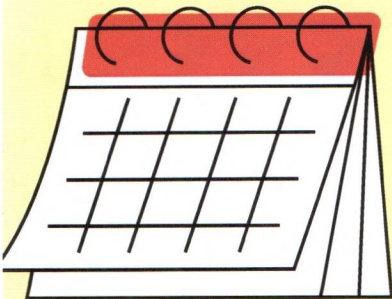
All vaccinations are by appointment only.

Call (325) 692-5600 to schedule an appointment.

**Abilene-Taylor County
Public Health District**

850 N 6th St.
Abilene, TX 79601





August Events

1 - Rent Due

1-4 - Riviera Community Youth Development Club

BCFS Health and Human Services-Abilene operates the Community Youth Development (CYD) program. CYD aims to encourage youth to build developmental assets and skills that lead to stronger connections, increased engagement, and a more significant contribution to their community.

5 - Last day to pay rent without the \$15 late charge. (If the 5th is on a weekend or holiday rent is due by 8:00 a.m. the next business day)

9 - Pest Control for Earl W Williams

11 - Pest Control for Deegan

1-11 - Summer Free Meals at Pioneer from 12 - 1:00 pm

11-13 - Tax-Free Weekend

15 - Brailsford Mandatory Meeting

16 - First Day of School for Abilene ISD

16 - Brailsford Community Corner Group

17 - Depression/Anxiety Class

17 - Pick yard of the month for all sites

18 - Pop Up Ice Cream - "What is ROSS" - Brailsford Community Center

18 - Pest Control for Riviera

21 - Grand opening for the Riviera Laundry Room to all Residents

22 - Parents Group - Everyone is Welcome - Earl W Williams Community Center

23 - Pest Control for Brailsford "B" site

24 - Riviera Community Corner Group

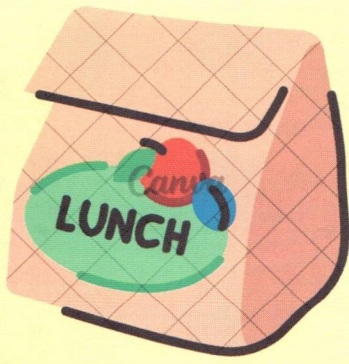
25 - Deegan Potluck/Bingo

25 - Pest Control for Brailsford "D" site

26 - Back to School Sundae for Earl W Williams Residents - The resident service coordinator will be having the "Back to School sundae" for each site - look for date on calendar

30 - Deegan Community Corner Group





July 28 - August 11 - Summer Meal Program

This program will provide free meals for families with children during the week of 7-28 to 8-11-2023. Public Housing will pass out the meals from 12 noon until 1:00 p.m. or until we run out of meals. We will have a canopy tent set up in the Public Housing Office parking lot. You may walk or drive up to pick up your meal and drink.

Other Sites are:

WIC	Grace Fellowship
City Light	Freedom Fellowship
Salvation Army	Breakfast on Beech St.
Public Library Mockingbird	Mann Middle School
Ortiz Elementary	Love and Care Ministries
Southern Hills COC	



Parent Group will start this month on the 22nd of August. You can meet other families with similar needs. Parent groups can serve many purposes, but one of the most important, can be to introduce families to others like themselves.



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.

Abilene Housing Authority Office Personnel:

Chief Executive Officer - Gene Reed

Chief Financial Officer - Paul Falade

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 - Onesimo Almazan & Evaristo Almazan