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Celebrate
**FOURTH OF
JULY**



THE STARS, STRIPES, AND FREEDOM



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Smoke-Free Housing



To ensure quality of air and the safety of all public housing residents, pursuant to 24 CFR 965, subpart G, Abilene Housing Authority has declared that all buildings belonging to the housing authority are smoke-free. The following will apply:

1. All current residents, all new residents, all employees, all guests, and all contractors are prohibited from smoking in all apartments, utility buildings, community buildings, and offices owned by the Housing Authority.
2. Smoking outside any building or apartment is allowed as long as it is 25 feet from the building or apartment.
3. Prohibited tobacco products include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and water pipes (hookahs)
4. All residents, employees, and guests are responsible for properly disposing of smoking product wrappings and residue such as cigarette butts.
5. "NO SMOKING" signs will be posted on the main office door and in other pertinent areas of the Public Housing sites.
6. Evidence of a violation of this policy includes but is not limited to resident complaints, witness observation, and/or evidence of tobacco paraphernalia observed during unit maintenance and pest control visits and inspections.
7. The Housing Authority will provide referrals to smoking cessation services for any current residents who smoke and wish to quit.

Contact Veronica if you wish to stop smoking at 325-676-6032 x6016



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Manager's Corner

Are you planning to get a cat or dog this summer? Remember the Public Housing policy for pets.

Pet Deposit \$250

Elderly/Disabled Pet Deposit \$150

Maximum Pet Weight no more than 25 lbs.

Before you purchase a pet you will need to come to the PH office and pick up the Pet Application that needs to be completed by yourself and the veterinarian. Once the application has been completed, bring the application and your pet to the office so we can take a picture and note your file.



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ABILENE ISD FREE SUMMER MEALS



Abilene ISD is providing free summer meals for kids. The summer program provides children and teens age 18 and younger a healthy lunch. The program is from

June 6 to July 28 at the following locations:

YMCA-Redbud, Cobb Park, Chavez Park, Rose Park, G.V. Daniels, Abilene Youth Sports Authority, Martinez Boys & Girls Club, Redbud Playground and Children's Art & Literacy Festival



Summer Meals continue

July 28 to August 11, 2023

Public Housing will participate as a Mobile Host Site for Abilene Hunger Coalitions and Highland Church Summer Meal Program. This program will provide free meals for families with children during the summer months following the Abilene ISD Summer Meal Program

We will pass out the meals from 12 noon till 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 & drink.



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Are you looking to sharpen your knife skills and learn kitchen math
City Light Culinary Academy
presents

12-Week Culinary Training Program

Information Sessions Date
August 24, 2023

Class Starts - Completion Date
August 28, 2023 / November 17, 2023

If you are interested or would like more details please contact
Veronica 325-676-6032 x6016



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YARD OF THE MONTH



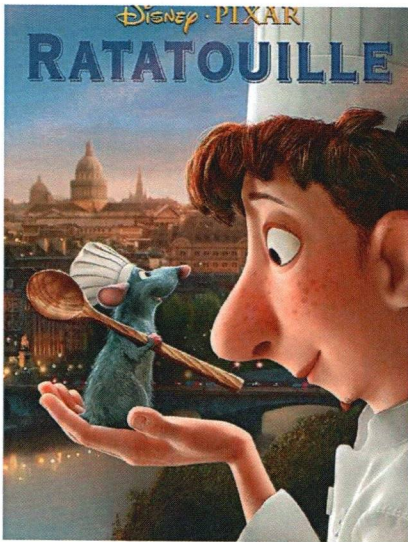
Public Housing is having
"Yard of the Month"

The monthly winner will receive a sign for the "Best Looking" yard.

Let's trim those rose bushes, water your flowers/grass and have a great time showing off your yard!



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SUMMER FAMILY FILM SERIES 2023

Once again, thanks to the support of the Abilene Teachers Federal Credit Union and Beltway Park Church, tickets to all four family friendly films for just \$2!



All films will be screened one time only, at 2:00 PM on the day they are scheduled at Paramount Theatre



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Community Corner News

1- Rent Due

- 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

Pest Control Dates:

Each site falls on the same day of the Week
Earl W Williams (Pioneer) - 1st Wednesday of the month
Riviera - 2nd Wednesday of the month
Brailsford "B" site - 3rd Wednesday of the month
Brailsford "D" site - 4th Wednesday of the month
Deegan - 2nd Friday of the month

Summer Heatwave Camp

July 10 - July 21, 2023

Ages: 6 -12 years old

Discipline Plan:

1. Child is given a verbal warning and redirection
2. Child is removed from activity for specified amount of time
3. Child is completely removed from the activity
4. If problem persists, parent/guardian is contacted & child is sent home

Child is suspended

Suspensions are as follows;

1st Offense - 1 day

2nd Offense - 2 day

3rd Offense - Child is out of the program



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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



July 2023

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
						1 Rent Due
2	3 "OFFICE CLOSED"	4 "OFFICE CLOSED" 	5 Pest Control For E.W. Williams	6 Late Assessed PIONEER Community 5:00 PM	7 "Zero Income" Credit Class @ 4:00 PM All Resident Welcome	8
9	10 Camp Heatwave Starts 1:30-4:30 PM	11 Mandatory Riviera Briefing 5:00 PM Camp Heatwave	12 Pest Control for Riviera Camp Heatwave	13 Camp Heatwave	14 Pest Control Deegan Camp Heatwave	15
16	17 Camp Heatwave Continues	18 Camp Heatwave	19 Pest Control for Brailsford "B" Camp Heatwave	20 Camp Heatwave	21 Camp Heatwave	22
23	24 Riviera Community Corner Group @ 5:00 PM	25 Brailsford Community Corner Group @ 5:00 PM	26 Pest Control for Brailsford "D" Arts & Crafts for Adults 5:00 – 6:00 PM	27 Arts & Crafts @ Deegan 2:00 – 3:00 PM	28 What is ROSS Pioneer/Ice Cream @ 2:00 PM Summer Meals Pioneer @ Noon	29
30	31 Deegan Community Corner 2:00 – 3:00					