

Grass Roots



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Project HOPE

(Help Our People Eat)

First Presbyterian Church

400 East Carroll, Macomb, IL

4PM-6PM

May 22, 2011

For a ride call 309-333-7747

The Crossing will now have a food pantry open the 3rd Saturday of every month!

Housing Authority Emergency

After hours, weekends & holidays

Maintenance number:

309-313-1116



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COMMUNITY GARDENS

It's not too late to get involved in the community gardens. Residents may participate in the gardens at their apartment complex or have an opportunity to have their own plot behind Prairieview. If you wish to have your own garden please contact Rob Porter at macombgardens@gmail.com or 298-1967. Diana Dowacter is the contact person for Eisenhower Tower. This is a great way to lower your food budget and eat healthier. The Housing Authority will also have an intern May through October. She will be available to assist with ideas for utilizing the items in your garden. We will introduce her in the June Grassroots! Please consider helping. It's a great way to build a community.

LEASE HIGHLIGHTS

Inoperative or Abandoned Vehicles

The PHA shall have the right to tow away or otherwise dispose of any inoperative or abandoned car or other vehicle parked on the premises at the expense of Tenant. PHA may exercise the right to tow away inoperative or abandoned cars or other vehicles only after attempting to give Tenant reasonable notice, which shall be not less than twenty-four (24) hours. PHA shall also have the right to tow away or otherwise dispose of any vehicle found improperly parked, including, but not limited to, vehicles parked in fire lanes, in areas that are not surfaced, and in areas where signs are posted which prohibit parking, or in areas in which parking is prohibited by the rules and regulations of PHA. All towing expenses shall be at the expense of Tenant.

Guests and Resident Behavior

To act, and cause household members or guests to act in a manner that will not disturb other residents' peaceful enjoyment of their accommodations; and be conducive to maintaining all PHA projects in a decent, safe, and sanitary condition. The Resident shall not conduct or permit loud parties, shouting, pounding, or other activities within the housing development or in any manner disturb or annoy other residents or neighbors. Excessively loud equipment or voices that disturb the quiet enjoyment of other residents or neighbors will not be tolerated at any time, day or night.

Barred Individuals

Not to permit or provide access to any property of the Housing Authority for any individual(s) that PHA has barred from the premises.

Vehicles

To remove from PHA property any vehicles without valid registration and inspection stickers. Any inoperable or unlicensed vehicle as described above will be removed from PHA property at Tenant's expense. Vehicle repairs are not allowed on the property.

FITCH MANOR NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Resident council meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the Month at Greenbrier Community Center at 3:00 p.m. All Fitch Residents are encouraged to attend and get involved. If there are ideas you have for Fitch Manor, contact Clydeena Hiatt. She will work with staff to provide programs and activities of interest to residents. The monthly Grassroots will inform you of activities that are upcoming.

EISENHOWER TOWER NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Bicycles must be registered with the office and should be stored at the bike racks provided. Locking bicycles to light poles is not permissible. Please return shopping carts when finished using them. Complaints are regularly made by tenants regarding this issue. May 7, 2011 @ 5:00 p.m. Cookout and Resident Meeting. Bring a side dish to share. Come dressed in your favorite "fan" gear. Prizes will be awarded. May 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Bingo in the Community Room.

PRAIRIEVIEW TOWN HOMES

Early Beginnings will be offering a community Hearing and Vision Screening for children ages 6 months to 3 years on May 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Early Beginnings Center at 339 South Johnson Street, Macomb. Please call 309-836-5775 to schedule an appointment.

Family Fun Night is over for a while but consider getting involved with the Community Garden at Prairieview. See Page 1 for contact information.

The Housing Authority will have an intern this summer. We will keep you informed of upcoming activities.

GREENBRIER TOWN HOMES

Children at Greenbrier participated in planting a community garden recently at Greenbrier. They learned about healthy eating, composting and planted a variety of vegetables. It's not too late to get involved. The Housing Authority will have an intern this summer to help. See Page one for contact information about the community garden.



FAMILY FUN NIGHT PICTURES



Young residents at Prairieview painted a mural on the wall at the Community Center. The scene is a flower garden made from children’s handprints. Noah Wallick, Kayla Jones Illiana Saddoris received awards for “Kid of the Week”. Bryson Saddoris and Issac Johnson won the “Egg Drop” contest. Congratulations!

CURRENT TENANTS IN NEED OF ACCOMODATION FOR PHYSICAL DISABILITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FOR THE NEWLY REMODELED UNITS AT PRAIRIEVIEW. CONTACT THE OFFICE TO REQUEST A TRANSFER APPLICATION.

AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE, 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS AT PRAIRIEVIEW TOWNHOMES, MACOMB

APARMENT AMENITIES: Fully Handicap Accessible Roll in Shower and Tub with Shower; Grab bars in Bathroom; Accessible Kitchen; Washer/Dryer Hookup; Exterior Ramp; Close to parking; Close to Community Center; Close to City Bus Stop; Electricity & water included PLUS help with your gas bill.

The Housing Authority is an Equal Housing Opportunity provider and employer

Playground on site ~ Close to schools & shopping

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Vehicles

Please let the office know if you have changed vehicles or are borrowing a vehicle. Any vehicle on the lot without a registration sticker is subject to being towed at the owner's expense.

Post Dating Checks

The Housing Authority will not accept post-dated checks.

Door Tags

Please be aware that the "Have Pride" door tags have been altered to address typical summer issues on properties. Residents should correct the violation immediately. After three violations, a Warning letter will be sent to the tenant. If there are still problems, a Termination could be issued. If you have questions about what is acceptable, please refer to your lease.

Mowing

Remember that mowing has started. Keep toys, bikes, plants, swimming pools up and out of the way. Plants will get mowed over if they are not close to your apartment.

MAY DAY!

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BLOOMING
 CINCO DE MAYO
 EMERALD
 FIFTH MONTH
 FLOWERS
 GARDENING
 GEMINI
 GROWTH
 HAWTHORN
 LILY
 MAIA
 MAY DAY
 MEMORIAL DAY
 MOTHERS DAY
 NIGHTINGALE
 SPRING
 TAURUS
 THIRTY ONE DAYS
 VICTORIA DAY
 WARM

