



Monthly Newsletter for April 2017

Do You Have Someone Living With You Not on Your Lease?

Allowing someone to live with you that are not on your lease is a lease violation.

- Do you know that you are defrauding the government when you allow someone to live with you that are not on your lease?
- Did you know that you can be evicted for doing this and the government can prosecute you in court?
- Did you know that if you are evicted from Public Housing that you are entered onto a list which prevents you from re-entering in the future?

This is your Lucky Month! You have until April 15th to complete the paperwork to add that significant other, son, daughter or parent to your lease.

If you fail to do so, you will be receiving a notice to vacate in the near future! Is it worth you losing your housing for you and your children?

Public Hearing

The Housing Authority of the City of Cumberland has experienced a need to submit a Significant Amendment to the current 5 Year Agency Plan regarding the conversion of Public Housing to the new HUD RAD program. It is available for review at the Central Office located at 635 E. First Street, Cumberland during the hours of 8:00 AM to Noon and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, (except Holidays).

In addition, a Public Hearing will be held on April 17, 2017 at 11:00 AM, at the Jane Frazier Village Community Room connected to the Central Office.

JOBS Available in the Area

Do you need a job but don't have a computer or transportation to go looking for one? Stop in the Central Office and go thru the book that is on the counter in the lobby. This booklet is updated daily with jobs that are available in Cumberland. These job openings are posted from INDEED or sent to us from the JOB Search in Cumberland.

Need help applying on line for a job or writing a resume? If so, contact Jaime Thomas, Service Coordinator at 301-724-6606, ext. 105 or Pama Wilson, Service Coordinator at the JFK or QCT office for assistance.

John F. Kennedy – Covered Dish Easter Dinner Celebration Friday, April 7, 2017 at 4 p.m.

Any resident wishing to attend the JFK Easter Celebration Dinner is asked to put your name on the signup sheet on the first floor bulletin board. The Resident Council will provide the Ham, Mashed Potatoes and Iced Tea. Anyone wishing to bring a covered dish is asked to mark on the signup sheet what you are bringing to the dinner. The Resident Council needs to know how much food to prepare, so we appreciate you signing up by April 2nd.

Living Well with Diabetes Workshop Queen City Tower Every Tuesday, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Reminder to those that signed up to attend: the workshop will be every Tuesday until April 24th

Are You a Victim of Domestic Violence?

If you or someone you know is in a Domestic Violence situation and needs help, please call the Family Crisis Resource Center Hotline 301-759-9244 for assistance.

April's Guest Speaker

Cindy Hook, Allegany County Department of Social Services

Queen City Tower – April 13th 2:00 p.m.
John F. Kennedy – April 19th 2:00 p.m.

Cindy will be discussing the Financial Assistance Programs which include the following:

- * Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP – Food Stamps)
- * Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA)
- * Temporary Disabilities Assistance Program (TDAP)

In addition, she will provide information on Medical Assistance (Medicaid/MA, Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program/QMB, Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary/SLMB, and Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary II/SLMB II) as well as other services provided through her agency.

Living Well

Chronic Disease Self- Management Program John F. Kennedy Workshop Starting Thursday, May 11, 2017 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Take charge of your health and get the most out of life through this free self-management workshop. In the Living Well workshop, people change by learning:

- How to eat healthy
- How to communicate effectively with doctors and family
- How to deal with pain and fatigue
- How to prevent or delay complications
- How to monitor your health
- How to create strategies for exercise
- How to get more out of life

How does the workshop work? Living Well - Take Charge of Your Health workshop will run for two hours, once a week for six weeks. Two trained lay leaders will lead the course.

To register, please sign up on the first floor sign-up sheet. See Pama Wilson for additional information.

Resident Council Meetings

Queen City Tower – April 13th at 3 p.m.
John F. Kennedy – April 19th at 3 p.m.

Resident Councils serve as the voice of the residents at each public housing development. As a resident, you are automatically a member of your Resident Council. Your Resident Council needs your participation. The most important person in the Resident Council is you!

Partnership For Affordable Foods (PAF)

(A lot of food for a small price!)

Queen City Tower will be collecting for the PAF program on **Monday, April 3, 2017, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., and on Thursday, April 6, 2017, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.** in the community room. There is a \$7 donation in order to receive the food. Distribution will be on Thursday, **April 13, 2017**, at approximately 11:15 a.m. Residents who donate the \$7 must be in the community room by **11:45 A.M. on Thursday, April 13, 2017**, to pick up the PAF order or the items will be forfeited.

TEFAP – Free Government Foods

The food will arrive on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. It will be best to try to pick it up on April 5, 2017. The sooner you pick the food up after the 5th, the better chances you have of being able to get the food. You can pick up the TEFAP at the sites listed below. Call first before going to make sure they still have food available

Dan Snyder, Hope Station, 632 N. Centre Street ...
240-362-7168 ... Monday through Friday, noon - 5 pm

Interfaith Food Pantry (HRDC Head Start Building),
301 Cumberland Street ...
301-707-4445 ... Monday through Friday,
10 am to 3 pm

Kitty at Salvation Army, 701 East First Street ...
301-777-7600 ... Monday through Friday 8:30 am to
11:45 am and 1pm to 3:30 pm

You will need to take with you your photo identification card or driver's license. You will need to sign a self declaration for proof of income and saying you will only get the food once a month from one agency. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact, Pama Wilson, Resident Service Coordinator.

**“April showers bring May flowers”
Now would be the time
to get your yard cleaned up.**

1. Rake up all leaves.
2. Remove all trash from your yard and dispose of properly. This includes litter of any kind, plastic bags, glass, cups, cans, rags bottles, boxes, cigarette butts, paper, etc.
3. If you have any bushes in your yard, clean under and around them.
4. Organize toys and remove unused and broken ones.
5. Do not throw food or cooking grease in your yard for the birds and other unwanted critters.
6. Promptly remove any pet waste from your yard.
7. Do these steps weekly to keep your yard nice all summer long.

**Reminders....
Outdoor Furniture**

The HACC's insurance carrier does not permit tenants to have patio canopies, instant tent shelters, tents, etc. The only furniture you are allowed outside in your yard is outdoor tables and outdoor chairs. Outdoor furniture made of skids or other non-traditional material is not considered furniture and is not permitted.

Playground Equipment

The HACC's insurance carrier does not permit tenants to have any type of privately owned playground equipment on our property. Definition of playground equipment includes: swings or swing sets of any size or nature, trampolines, large play houses, pools, slip-n-slides, etc. of any size, any water based entertainment item, horseshoes, volleyball nets, bat mitten nets, basketball hoops, etc, or any other related items which can be found in a park or on a playground.

HACC maintains a playground at each family development for the use of residents in the leased premises. All playgrounds close at dark. Residents, children and guests are not permitted to occupy these areas after dark.

Attention John F. Kennedy Residents

The kitchen will be open every Tuesday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Items to be sold:

- Cold Sodas - \$1.00 a bottle**
- Bags of Chips - \$1.25**
- Boxed Assorted Candy - \$1.25**
- Mini Candy Bars - \$.25**
- Slim Jims - \$.25**
- Water - \$.50**

(Note: All proceeds go to JFK activities and dinners.)

JFK will have Game Night every Saturday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. All resident are welcome to attend.



All Housing Authority
 Offices Will be Closed
 April 14th
 In observance of
 Good Friday

April Events in the Family Developments

- April 2nd Cooking Night - Jane Frazier Village
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- April 4th Cooking Night - Banneker Gardens
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- April 8th Photos with the Easter Bunny
Jane Frazier Village
12:00 Noon to 2:00 pm
- April 9th Cooking Night - Jane Frazier Village
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- April 11th Cooking Night - Banneker Gardens
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- April 13th Family Literacy Night
Jane Frazier Village 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- April 20th Family Literacy Night
Banneker Gardens 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- April 23rd Cooking Night - Jane Frazier Village
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- April 25th Cooking Night - Banneker Gardens
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Goodwill Job Outreach
 Every Wednesday at 2:00 pm
 Jane Frazier Village

Cumberland Housing Event and Activity Schedule

April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 April Fool's Day JFK Game Night 6 p.m.
2 Cooking @ JFV 2:00	3 QCT PAF Collection 2 p.m.	4 TFAP Govt. Foods QCT Living Well With Diabetes Workshop 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cooking @ BG 5:30 Inspect JFV Bldg 6	5 Goodwill @ JFV 2:00 Inspect JFK 2nd Floor	6 Exterminator QCT - AM JFK - PM QCT PAF Collection 3 p.m.	7 JFK Covered Dish Easter Dinner Celebration 4 p.m.	8 JFV Photos with the Easter Bunny 12-2 JFK Game Night 6 p.m.
9 Cooking @ JFV 2:00	10	11 QCT Living Well With Diabetes Workshop 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cooking @ BG 5:30 Inspect FCH Bldg 12	12 Goodwill @ JFV 2:00 Inspect QCT 1st Floor Inspect BG 302 to 308	13 QCT PAF Dist. 11:15 a.m. Exterminator JFV Rows 7-17 QCT Guest Speaker 2 p.m. QCT Resident Mtg. 3 p.m. JFV Literacy Night 6-7	14 Exterminator JFV Rows 1-6 & BG	15 JFK Game Night 6 p.m.
16 Easter	17 Taxes Due 11:00 Public Hearing	18 QCT Living Well With Diabetes Workshop 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	19 Goodwill @ JFV 2:00 JFK Guest Speaker 2 p.m. JFK Resident Mtg. 3 p.m.	20 Exterminator - FCH BG Literacy Night 6-7	21	22 JFK Game Night 6 p.m.
23 Cooking @ JFV 2:00	24	25 QCT Living Well With Diabetes Workshop 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cooking @ BG 5:30	26 Admin Assistants Day Goodwill @ JFV 2:00	27	28	29 JFK Game Night 6 p.m.
30		Notes JFV FCH JFK QCT BG	Jane Frazier Village Fort Cumberland Homes John F. Kennedy Apts. Queen City Tower Banneker Gardens	Inspect Preventive Maintenance Inspections As a reminder, a copy of the inspection will be left in your unit for your information. If any repairs need to be done, maintenance will be returning within 20 days to complete the repairs.		