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Have a work order? Please call your property manager or the main office at 442-7970.

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tenants: Please do not place work order requests in the rent box or on the maintenance storage room door. Thank you!

KAY'S KIDS: FREE YOUTH SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

The recreation program will now longer be held at Lincoln Park. It will be located at either Barney Park or Memorial Park.

Contact the Helena Parks & Recreation Dept. for more information on the Kay's Kids summer Recreation Program, visit: www.helenamt.gov/park

HELENA HOUSING IS A NON-SMOKING CAMPUS

Your lease states: NO SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is prohibited in the dwelling unit and in all common areas. "Dwelling unit" is defined as the domicile or shelter leased to the Resident and includes any structures, vestibules, patios, and balconies appurtenant to the dwelling. "Common area" is defined as areas other than the dwelling unit that are owned or managed by HHA inside or outside the structure.



INSPECTIONS

We want to thank you for allowing HHA to conduct our Annual Inspections this past month! The inspection has resulted in a large number of work orders, therefore maintenance will be working to complete these repairs.



If a work order was a result of tenant caused damages, you will be billed for the time and materials to complete these repairs. Your tenant handbook also states that if HHA determines by review of your resident/unit repair record that an increase in your security deposit is necessary to safeguard HHA property, such an increase will be requested as an amendment to your Dwelling Lease.

NAHRO POSTER CONTEST

Thank you to all of the kids who participated in the NAHRO poster contest of "What Housing Means to You".

Four of the five posters are now hanging in the Helena Housing Authority lobby. Congratulations to the fifth poster who moved on to the National NAHRO contest!!

GUESTS

If you are not sure if your guest has been trespassed from HHA Property, you may look it up on our website at HHAMT.ORG under Public Housing –Trespass Policy. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our office at 406-442-7970.



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COOKING MATTERS AT THE STORE

Practice skills like buying fruits and vegetables on a budget, comparing unit prices, reading food labels, identifying whole grains, and sticking to your budget!

For more information, visit: www.cookingmattersatthestore.org

Participants receive a **FREE \$10 gift card to Walmart, a shopping bag, a booklet to follow along, and recipes!**

Date: Monday, July 27th, 2015

Time: 12:00 - 1:30PM

Location: Walmart (2750 Prospect Ave, Helena)

Plan to meet inside the grocery entrance in front of Subway.

To register, contact Lily Herd at lherd@mt.gov or

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The community service and self-sufficiency requirement is intended to assist adult public housing residents in improving their own economic and social well-being and give these residents a greater stake in their communities. The community service and self-sufficiency requirement allows residents an opportunity to "give something back" to their communities and facilitates upward mobility.

Each adult resident of HHA shall:

- * Contribute eight (8) hours per month of community service (not including political activities) within the community in which that adult resides; or
- * Participate in an economic self-sufficiency program for eight (8) hours per month; or
- * Perform eight (8) hours per month of combined activities (community service and economic self-sufficiency program).

Each adult resident is required to contribute eight (8) hours of community service unless the adult qualifies under the exemption status. If you do not complete the 8 hours of community service, your lease will be terminated.

GROUNDS AND YARDS

- * Scattered Site residents are responsible for watering the lawn, trees, and shrubs in your assigned yard area. If you are not sure of your area of responsibility, call the HHA office for information.
- * **ALWAYS USE SPRINKLERS. DO NOT LET HOSES RUN WITHOUT A SPRINKLER.** Move sprinklers frequently to avoid wasting water.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT

This is a reminder that you are to report within ten (10) days of any change in household composition, change in assets, change in deductions, or substantial change in amount or source of income. **CALLING IS NOT REPORTING, MUST SCHEDULE AND ATTEND APPOINTMENTS.** A substantial change in amount of income means a change in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) or more per month.

If you are not sure, please contact your Property Manager.