



Tower Gazette

Monthly Newsletter for May 2021

**CUMBERLAND HOUSING
GROUP**



Exterminator Schedule

- May 6th Queen City Towers – Morning
John F. Kennedy – Afternoon
- May 19th Grande View – Apts. 218 - 335

Preventive Maintenance “UNIT” Inspections

Please do not wait to be notified that a unit inspection has been scheduled for your apartment to begin calling in deficiencies in your unit. These items ***will not*** be addressed prior to the inspection. Yearly unit inspections are scheduled and performed by the Maintenance Department and not property managers. All repairs are to be called in to the maintenance department immediately upon discovering any item.

Tenants **must wear a mask** when a housing staff member is in your unit, or you may choose to step outside.

- May 5th 541B National Highway
- May 6th John F. Kennedy – 3rd Floor
- May 13th Queen City Tower – 2nd Floor
- May 18th Grande View – 107, 323, 326, 331

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.

Use of Laundry Machines

The use of **scented beads** in washers and dryers is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED!** They melt and stick to the inside of the machines.

Any tenant found to be using the beads will be charged for repairs and cleaning of the machines.

COVID Vaccine Cards

If you have taken or are going to take the COVID vaccine, please hold on to the card (that was given to you or will be given to you) that proves that you have taken the vaccine. You may need this card in the future. You may need to prove that you have taken the shot in order to participate in certain programs, etc. (Some Adult Medical Day Programs require that you prove that you have taken the vaccine before you can return to or start the Day Program). You do not want another person using your card, so be sure you do not lose it. Put your COVID vaccine card in a safe place, so if you need it, you can easily access it.

*All Cumberland Housing Group Offices
Will Be **Closed May 31st**
In observance of Memorial Day*



COVID - 19

If you have any questions about the COVID-19 virus, including the vaccines, or any questions or concerns relating to COVID, please feel free to call the Allegany County Health Department at the COVID Call Center at 240-650-3999. Allegany County residents can register for vaccination locally with the Allegany County Health Department and UPMC Western Maryland by completing the COVID Vaccine Interest Form at health.maryland.gov/allegany. Those completing that form are added to a database and will be contacted by phone or email when vaccines become available for them through either UPMC Western Maryland or the health department. Please be sure to answer your phone even if you don't recognize the number, and check your email regularly.



**SENIOR APARTMENTS
NOW AVAILABLE**

AGE 62 AND OLDER NEEDING
ASSISTANCE
FEES BASED ON INCOME

Willow Valley in Cumberland
Daily Meals, Housekeeping
Personal Assistance
Medication Administration

*Any current tenant of the Cumberland
Housing Authority, age 62 or older
would be able to transfer to Willow
Valley if you qualify for these services.*

**Grande View in Westernport also has
apartments available.**

For More Information, Call
301-759-2880

Paying your rent online is EASY!

Go to cumberlandhousing.org and click on the "Click here to make an online payment" tab. No need to leave home, go to the bank or get a ride to one of our offices. And no need for the hassle of buying money orders, envelopes or stamps.

**Moving Items / JFK
Attention Residents!**

Never prop open the main door at JFK to move items in and out of the building. There are doors across from the elevators to the left that are to be used to move items in and out. If you have questions, speak to your Property Manager or maintenance.

Window Air Conditioners

John F. Kennedy and Queen City Tower – Window air conditioners are supplied for each unit, maintained and owned by the HACC. Additional window air conditioners are **not permitted**. If the air conditioner is used during the winter due to medical reasons, it is not to be running constantly and not during below freezing outside temperatures to prevent the unit from freezing up and being destroyed. If the HACC owned window air conditioner and/or surrounding panels is missing upon a tenant moving out or inoperable due to freezing up, the current charge to replace the air conditioner will be imposed. (This is taken directly from your lease book – Addendum A – Rules and Regulations...Page 14 of 14.)

Residents from Queen City Tower and John F. Kennedy are asking if they can buy and install a second air conditioner, and the answer is **no**, according to your lease agreement. All air conditioners are installed only by HACC maintenance.

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.

Visiting the Office

Please call before visiting any of our offices. You must have an appointment! Most matters can be handled via phone, mail or email. Paperwork can be dropped in the drop boxes at the developments. This is for the protection of everyone. (If paying at the offices, rent must still be put in the drop boxes and made out to HACC.)

My Groceries to Go

Those who participate in the "My Groceries to Go" program need to be home on Thursday, May 6, 2021. John F. Kennedy's food box will arrive to your door around 9 AM and Queen City Tower's food box will arrive to your door around 2 pm. You must sign for your food box. If you have any questions, you can call 301-783-1752.

FOOD GIVEAWAY!

Third Wednesday of every month
in the parking lot.
(Next one will be on May 19, 2021).
Time: 2 pm to 4 pm.

St. John's Lutheran Church.
Located in the church parking lot.
400 Arch Street, Cumberland
Questions: call 301-724-7250
All Maryland Residents are Eligible!

Need Help to Quit Smoking?

Are you or someone you know trying to quit smoking? Did you know there are 2 FREE ways to quit? Just call the Allegany County Health Department at 301-759-5050 or Maryland's Quit line at 1-800-784-8669.

Crime Solvers Tip Line

301-722-4300

www.allegany-mineralcountycrimesolvers.com

To report **suspected Drug Activity**, leave an anonymous tip at 301-759-4660.

