



CUMBERLAND HOUSING GROUP

Tower Gazette

Monthly Newsletter for September 2021



Preventive Maintenance "UNIT" Inspections

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

September 2nd John F. Kennedy – 7th Floor
September 9th Queen City Tower - 6th Floor

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.

Over Night Guest – It has been reported that numerous tenants are allowing friends to stay with them longer than the 14 days per calendar year. Be advised that lease violation letters will be forth coming to those tenants that are allowing someone to stay with them. If you want someone living with you, contact your property manager for the paperwork to legally add your guest.

Attention Residents

We understand that your time is valuable. We ask that you please respect our time as well. Please do not just show up and expect to be seen without an appointment. Our staff are very busy and have **appointments with other tenants and other applicants**. We are also taking care of other urgent duties in the office. Thank you.

OFFICE HOURS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!

- Do you need to speak with your Property Manager or Service Coordinator?
Call to schedule an appointment. (CALL Queen City Tower at 301-722-7977 or JFK at 301-724-1544.)
- Paying rent or dropping off other paperwork?
Put it in the drop box, pay online, pay at the bank or sign up for ACH. (Automatically taken from your bank account every month on the 5th.)
- Need Maintenance?
Call 301-724-2055

We are continuing to take precautions for your safety and ours. Please be considerate of the fact that the COVID cases are increasing in our community again.

Please Note: Most things can still be taken care of over the phone, by email, mail or fax.

The Cumberland Housing Group Offices Will be closed on Monday, September 6, 2021 to celebrate Labor Day!

Exterminator Schedule

September 2 nd	Queen City Towers – Morning
September 2 nd	John F. Kennedy – Afternoon
September 15 th	Grande View – Apts. 218-335

Resident Council Meetings to Start Back Up in September

Queen City Tower – Thursday, September 9th at 3 pm
John F. Kennedy – Wednesday, September 15th at 3 pm

As many of you know, we have not had our Resident Council meetings since before the COVID-19 pandemic. We need to take a look at our Resident Council, see when we need to have elections, and get involved with our communities to make it better for all of us. Please be patient with us as we try to get back on track in the September Resident Council Meeting. Some of you are new residents. We hope you will attend your Resident Council meetings because we value your input and attendance. To all of you who have been here for some time...we encourage you to attend as well. We hope that this year and the new year will bring better days to all of us. We hope that all of you will be committed to attend your Resident Council Meetings.

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!**

COVID-19 Information

To get the latest information on the COVID-19 Vaccine, call the Covid-19 call center at 240-650-3999 or checkout the Allegany County Health Departments Website. There is free drive through Covid-19 testing, Mondays, from 2 pm to 7 pm, and Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 am to 2 pm at the Allegany County Fairgrounds, 11400 Moss Avenue, Cumberland, Maryland.



Attention Residents

If there is a problem in your unit, or in the building in general, CALL THE MAINTENANCE LINE @ [301-724-2055](tel:301-724-2055) and report the problem! This is the best way to get the problem taken care of.

DRAINS

DO NOT USE any Drano or any type of chemical down your drains. If there is a problem call 301-724-2055.

Extermination – Bed Bugs

If your apartment has bed bugs, please do not try to treat the apartment with over-the-counter sprays or powders, etc. This will only make the bed bug issue worse. Please let our exterminators take care of the problem.

Attention JFK and QCT Tenants

A reminder to JFK and QCT tenants regarding Bulk Trash pick-up on Monday mornings - **large items such as furniture can ONLY be placed outside for pick-up on Sunday evenings after 6:00pm.** If items are placed outside prior to Sunday, YOU WILL BE CHARGED! This applies to small garbage bags as well. Each floor has a trash chute, USE IT!!! Do Not leave any unwanted food, clothing or household items in any common area, or table. This is how pests like bugs spread, and is NOT ALLOWED!

Schedule of Standard Maintenance Charges

This is posted on the first-floor bulletin board and on each floor in the John F. Kennedy and Queen City Tower apartments. Please refer to the revised Schedule effective July 1, 2021.

Attention Residents - Bible Study **Cumberland Community Church** **“Meet and Greet” Meeting**

The Cumberland Community Church has decided to have a “Meet and Greet” meeting In September for all those who are interested in attending the Bible Study. The church hopes all interested residents and guests will attend!

The “Meet and Greet” will be held as follows:
Queen City Tower – Saturday, September 4th at 6:30 pm in the Community Room.
John F. Kennedy – Saturday, September 11th at 6:30 pm in the Community Room.

When the Bible Study begins in October, it will be held every other Saturday, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Queen City Tower and John F. Kennedy. The times and dates will be posted in the newsletter as well as posted on the main first floor bulletin board at each hi-rise.

My Groceries to Go

Those who participate in the “My Groceries to Go” program need to be home on Thursday, September 2, 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 September 15, 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!

Farmers Market

Canal Place Farmers Market
13 Canal Place
Saturday: 9:30 am - 2 pm
Downtown Cumberland Farmers Market
100 Baltimore Street
Thursday: 9:30 am - 2 pm

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.

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-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com

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

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.

