



# Monthly Newsletter

## For November 2021

**CUMBERLAND HOUSING  
GROUP**



### Exterminator Schedule

November 11 Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 7 – 17

November 12 Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 1 – 6 & Banneker Gardens

November 18 River Bend Court & 1034 Frederick Street

### 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.

- November 1<sup>st</sup> River Bend Court -Bldg. 5
- November 2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Frazier Village – Bldg. 8
- November 3<sup>rd</sup> River Bend Court – Bldg. 7

*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.*

### Notice of Public Hearing

The Housing Authority of the City of Cumberland is required to annually hold a public hearing regarding any changes to the goals, objectives, and policies of the public housing agency plan and its Capital Fund 5-Year Action Plan. Information related to any proposed changes as well as the Action Plan is available for review at the Central Office of the Cumberland Housing Group located at 635 E. First Street, Cumberland or any of our staffed site offices during the hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, (except Holidays) or at <https://www.cumberlandhousing.org/about-public-housing>. A public hearing will be held on November 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM, at the Jane Frazier Village Community Room connected to the Central Office. Public comments can be submitted to our office prior to the hearing or voiced at the hearing.

**Note:** These plans are not applicable to River Bend Court or its tenants.

### **COLA Increase 2022 for Social Security and SSI Recipients**

The federal government announced on October 13, 2021, that the Social Security Cost of Live Adjustment (COLA) for 2022 will be 5.9%. Social Security recipients will receive a notice in the mail in early December showing their new benefit amount. Recipients will see an increase in their January 2022 payment. Those receiving SSI will see the increase on December 31, 2021. Please **report** your **increase** to your property managers as soon as you get your statement of increase.

### **MUST READ!!**

The US national **moratorium on evictions ENDED on Aug. 26** after a 6-3 vote by the Supreme Court. Once the moratorium ends, **tenants are expected to pay back rent**. If you are in need of assistance, please call:

**HRDC:**

301-783-1889

**DSS-Resource Management Team:**

301-784-7000

Or call the main office for an application for assistance.

In October, we will begin filing courts for the total amount due of unpaid tenant rent, as regulations allow.



The Cumberland Housing Group will be CLOSED on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans Day. We would like to thank all of our Veterans for your service to our Country. We will also be CLOSED on Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



### **FOOD GIVEAWAY!**

Third Wednesday of every month  
in the parking lot.  
(Next one will be on November 17, 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*

### **Medicare's Open Enrollment Begins October 15<sup>th</sup>**

You can enroll in Medicare health and drug plans from October 15 – December 7. Make sure to check your mail because you may get important notices from Medicare or Social Security. If you are in a Medicare plan, you'll get an Annual Notice of Changes telling you of any changes in coverage, costs, or service area. **(Be careful about giving any information out over the phone because this is the time when insurance companies and others start calling. You need to protect yourself from Medicare fraud).** Think about your Medicare coverage needs for 2022. Review your current Medicare coverage and note any upcoming changes to benefits or costs. If your current coverage meets your needs, you do not need to take any action to keep what you currently have. Make sure you review your 2022 "Medicare and You" handbook because it has information about Medicare coverage and Medicare plans in your area. Preview 2022 health and prescription drug plans by logging into [Medicare.gov](http://Medicare.gov). You can do a personalized search and create a Medicare account. You can compare your current Medicare plan to others, and see prices based on any help you get with drug costs. You can also call Medicare for assistance by calling 1 (800) 633-4227. You can get personalized help in your community by calling your State Health Insurance Assistance Program at HRDC, phone 301-783-1710.

**Join the Boys and Girls Club  
FREE  
After School Club!**

**At JFV:  
Monday through Friday  
From 3:30 to 6:30**

**Get homework help, enjoy a snack,  
activities, games and FUN!**

### **Crime Solvers Tip Line**

301-722-4300

[www.allegany-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com](http://www.allegany-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com)

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

### **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.

### **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.

### **COVID-19 Information**

To get the latest on the COVID-19 Vaccine, call the COVID-19 call center at 240-650-3999. 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.

