



CUMBERLAND HOUSING GROUP

Monthly Newsletter For January 2022



Exterminator Schedule

- January 13th Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 7 – 17
- January 14th Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 1 – 6 & Banneker Gardens
- January 20th River Bend Court



The Cumberland Housing Group wishes all residents, maintenance, and staff a very Happy New Year!

The offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 17, 2022, to celebrate the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday!

River Bend Court Tenants

Reporting Your Income

In reviewing a list of tenant accounts, there are quite a few tenants that have failed to report an increase in their income and now owe back rent. **You have ten (10) days to report a change in your income.** Those tenants that are working a seasonal job, you still have to report the job and income too, even though it is not used in the rent calculation, it does have to be reported to HUD.

Late Fees

Effective January 1, 2022, the Late Fees process will be re-instated. Rent is due by the 5th day of the month. CHG will charge a fee of \$5 on the 6th day of the month. Thereafter, CHG will charge \$1 for each additional day the rent remains unpaid during the month it is due.

Renters Insurance

Due to recent events at one of our properties, we cannot recommend strongly enough for you to consider purchasing Renters Insurance.

Renters insurance provides important coverage for both you and your possessions. There are a number of different insurance companies that provide renters insurance at an affordable fee. You can google it on your phone and get the phone numbers of different agencies in our area that offer renters insurance and compare the costs. You can contact your Resident Service Coordinator, Jaime Thomas, if you need assistance.

Preventive Maintenance Inspections

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

- January 4th Jane Frazier Village Bldg 3
- January 5th River Bend Court Bldg 1
- January 11th Jane Frazier Village 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.

Report Your Increases to Management

When you receive your award letter for your Social Security or SSI, please take it to your property manager.

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.



For Pets or Support Animals at all Properties:

There is a process and procedure for having a pet or support animal. You may NOT bring the animal on to the property or in your unit until the entire process has been completed. If/when you are fully approved, you will get a letter and permit from housing. If you are denied, you will get a letter from housing. If you are unsure of the process, please call Jaime Thomas at 301-724-6606 ext. 106. You may NOT bring the animal to your apartment and then request a pet or support animal. You MUST do all the required steps first.

STAY WARM

Conserve Energy by:

- Keep drapes & blinds open during the day on windows facing the sun so that any available sunshine will be absorbed indoors.
- At night, keep drapes and blinds closed and they will act as an insulator to keep heat inside and keep out chilly drafts.
- Do not open windows in cold weather,
- Do not block air registers with furniture and/or curtains.
- Kerosene heaters are **prohibited** by the HACC and the State Fire Marshal.
- Electric heaters will be permitted which have a safety control for tipping, a cut off when a certain temperature is reached, a control for the amount of time it stays on and are currently UL certified.
- Do not turn oven on to use for heat.

Need a little help?
Find the resources you need quickly and easily
Find Programs | Connect to Services | Apply for Benefits | View Hours and Locations

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Because everyone needs a little help sometimes. Aunt BERTHA.com

I'm afraid I will lose my house because of foreclosure. Is there someone I can talk to?

www.auntbertha.com or call 211

FOOD GIVEAWAY!

Third Wednesday of every month in the parking lot.
(Next one will be on December 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

Crime Solvers Tip Line

301-722-4300

www.allegany-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com

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

**Join the Boys and Girls Club
FREE
After School Club!
Arts, Crafts, Cooking and More!**

**At JFV:
Monday through Friday
From 3:30 to 5:30**

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.

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.

