



**CUMBERLAND HOUSING
GROUP**

Monthly Newsletter

For February 2022



Exterminator Schedule

February 10th Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 7 – 17

February 11th Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 1 – 6 & Banneker Gardens

February 17th River Bend Court

All Cumberland Housing Group offices will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2022, to celebrate Presidents' Day.



Happy Groundhog Day! Hope he predicts that

Preventive Maintenance Inspections

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

February 1 st	Jane Frazier Village	Bldg 1
February 2 nd	River Bend Court	Bldg 4
February 3 rd	Jane Frazier Village	Bldg 2
February 8 th	Jane Frazier Village	Bldg 13

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.

Put your Tax Refund to Good Use

Join many other residents and pay your rent ahead by one month to avoid late charges and court costs and pay off any repayment agreements for maintenance charges or back rent that you owe to the Cumberland Housing Group. This will save you money in the future.

Rent and Utility Allowance Rate Schedule Effective April 1, 2022

The Housing Authority is required by HUD to annually review and adjust the flat rents and ceiling rents. Flat rents are designed to mirror the HUD Fair Market Rents (FMR's) for this area which are established annually by HUD based upon local rental amounts charged. HUD does provide us an exemption which allows us to set our rates at 80% of HUD's FMR's for this area

The Rent and Utility Allowance Rate Schedule was approved by the Board on January 19, 2022. The Rate Schedule is posted in each development and on the website for review.

You will be advised at your next Annual Re-Certification of what your new rent will be.

River Bend Court Tenants

If you need to meet with the Property Manager in the office, **ring the doorbell** that is on the side of the door. They cannot hear you if you are knocking on the door.

Other Good News! Stay Tuned for details about [the Boys and Girls Club](#) coming to your community room soon!

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



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Maintenance Department
24 Hour Emergency Service
301-724-2055
Will only reach the Maintenance Department

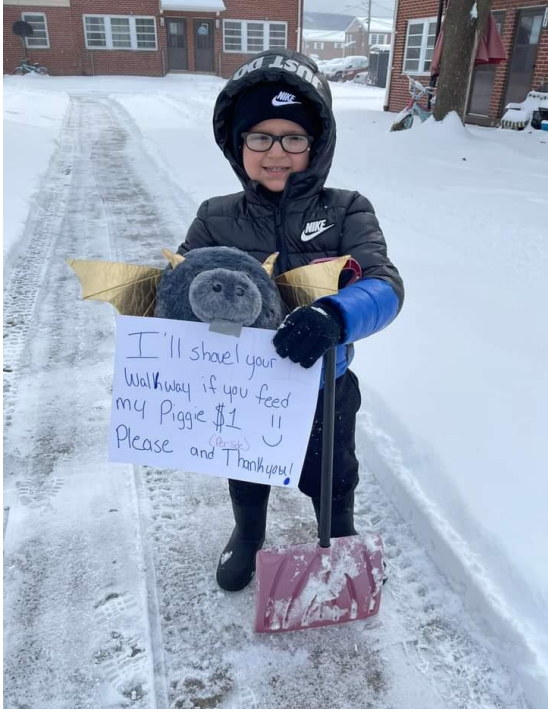
Reminder: For After Hours Emergency, call the Maintenance Dept. 301-724-2055 Not the Management Office



Facebook.com/cumberlandhousing

Damion, age 5 (in this photo) said his goal in 2022 is to save enough money in his piggy bank to buy a new Xbox.

He took advantage of the January snow storm by shoveling for his neighbors if they "fed his piggy". If you need your walkway shoveled in the future, please let his mom Lindsay know. Also, let's wish this little entrepreneur a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**, as he turns 6 on February 11!



Crime Solvers Tip Line

301-722-4300

www.allegany-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com

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Happy Valentine's Day

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

Jane Frazier Village

Join the Boys and Girls Club

FREE

After School Club!

Arts, Crafts, Cooking and More!

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.

Use these links to get FREE COVID test kits delivered to your home:

<https://special.usps.com/testkits>

<https://covidtests.gov/>

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.



HELP!



Does tax time **STRESS** you out?

Let the trained staff at HRDC prepare your taxes for **FREE & KEEP YOUR ENTIRE REFUND FOR YOURSELF!**

If you worked in 2021 and earned up to the amounts listed below for your household type, you are eligible for an **EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT**.

Children raised by worker:	Earned up to:	Married Filing Jointly:	Earned Income Credit up to:
3 or more children	\$51,464	\$57,414	\$6,728
2 children	\$47,915	\$53,865	\$5,980
1 child	\$42,158	\$48,108	\$3,618
No children in household*	\$21,430	\$27,380	\$1,502

*Workers who are not raising children must be between the ages of 25 and 64 to be eligible for the EITC.

*Investment income of less than \$10,000 for the year

HRDC's trained staff will ensure all eligible households receive this credit while preparing their tax returns for **FREE!!! CALL 301-783-1800 for more information.**

To ensure the safety of our staff and clients during the 2022 tax season, **ALL** of our tax sites will operate on an **APPOINTMENT ONLY** basis and masks will be required; drop-off appointments will be available at HRDC's main office on 125 Virginia Ave, Cumberland.

Call 301-783-1800 to schedule your appointment.

We will not be able to serve those without an appointment.



FREE TAX PREPARATION!!

Online filing- Federal and State returns!

Yes, it's hard to wait on a federal refund but huge interest & big fees from paid preparer products can take a big bite out of YOUR hard-earned money. Why not

KEEP that money in **YOUR** pocket instead?

Locations:

Cumberland- 125 Virginia Avenue (Note New Location)

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 6-9 pm

Saturdays: 10am-2pm

