



**CUMBERLAND HOUSING
GROUP**

Tower Gazette

Monthly Newsletter for March 2024



Exterminator Schedule

1st Thursday of each month
Queen City Tower (a.m.) **JFK** (p.m.)

3rd Wednesday of each month
Grande View

101 – 217 Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct. and Dec.
218 – 335 Jan., March, May, July, Sept, Nov

**All Offices will be closed every
Tuesday until 10:30 am for
Staff Meetings.**

Preventive Maintenance Inspections

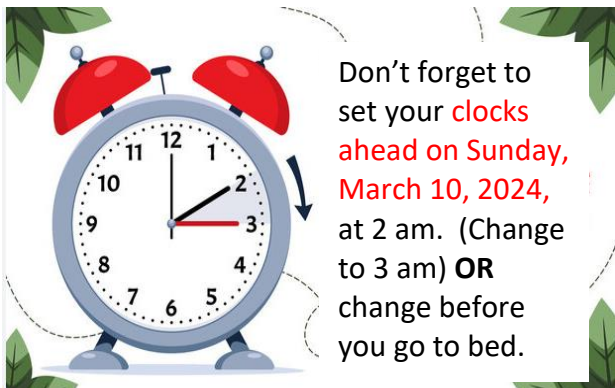
QCT 8th Floor Tuesday, March 12, 2024
No Maintenance Inspections for JFK
No Maintenance Inspections for GV

Attention Tenants

Any documents you receive from your Property Manager, need to be signed and returned to the office immediately.

*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. Entry is **Mandatory** in order to do Inspections as well as repairs. Please continue to call the Maintenance Department **(301)724-2055** with any deficiencies even if your inspection is scheduled in the near future.*

**Our offices will be closed
Friday, March 29th for
Good Friday.**



Transportation Disparities Assistance Grant

Cumberland Housing Group has once again been awarded some funding from the Disparities Grant.

We have Allegany Transit Bus Passes available. Stop in and see your Property Manager if you need a bus pass.



FOOD GIVEAWAY!
The 3rd Wednesday every Month

March 20, 2024-Time: 2 pm to 4 pm.
St. John's Lutheran Church.
Located in the church parking lot.
400 Arch Street, Cumberland

Hope Station Wellness & Recovery
The 3rd Friday every Month

Fresh Produce
March 15, 2024 10:00 am until supplies last
Located at 632 N. Centre Street
For more information call
240-362-7168

My Groceries to Go

Those who participate in the "My Groceries to Go" program need to be home on Thursday, March 7, 2024. John F. Kennedy's food box will arrive at your door around 10 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 301-783-1755.

Adult Daycare Program

HRDC is taking applications for adult daycare.
Please contact Rhonda Lowery at 301-783-1817
for information about their program.

COVID-19 Testing

PCR Testing is held on Tuesdays and Thursday
@ the Allegany County Health Department
from 9:00 am-12:00 pm-Drive up Only.
To Request testing please call
301-759-5015

COVID-19 Vaccines

Vaccines are held on Wednesdays @
the Allegany County Health Department
from 9:00 am-12:00 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.

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.

Renters Insurance for Your Personal Property

Rental Insurance may be obtained through any insurance agent and is used to protect you from loss not covered by the CHG. This insurance is not required but the CHG strongly recommends that each household purchase this inexpensive protection for their personal property. In the event of a building fire, flood, break in, theft, roof leak, water or sewer overflows, vandalism or any other number of accidents or catastrophes, the buildings are insured by the CHG but not your personal property. Whether caused by the CHG, you or by another tenant or guest, **any damage incurred to your personal belongings is your sole responsibility not the CHG.**

Resident Council Meetings

QCT-March 14th @ 3:00pm
JFK-Next meeting will be March 20 @3pm
JFK meetings will be held every other month.

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!**

Bible Study

Roy Bible will be conducting the Bible Studies.
QCT – Saturday, March 9th & March 23rd
2 pm to 3 pm in the Community Room
All Residents Welcome!
JFK – No Bible Study due to lack of participation.

Queen City Tower Prayer Group

The **QCT** Prayer Group will be held every Tuesday from 2 pm to 3 pm in the community room. All residents are invited to attend. Jeff Steele is in charge of the group.

Gospel Music

The second Tuesday of each month there is Gospel music with Paul Powers and Buster Jackson from 2pm to 3pm in the Community Room. Jeff Steele is in charge for **QCT**

Game Night

Due to popular demand, Game Night at **QCT** will be held every Sunday from 6 pm to 8 pm in the community room. All residents are invited. Jeff Steele is in charge of Game Night.





Important Reminder's... These are Lease Violations

With warmer months approaching, please keep in mind **you must clean up** after your pet or Emotional Support Animal. Be courteous to your neighbor and our maintenance department who cares for our grassy areas.

We are a federal property and there is to be **NO** marijuana on the property. By Federal standard, it is illegal to have on our properties whether you have a medical marijuana card or not.

No alcohol outdoors, no drinking alcohol in common areas indoors.
No sitting on retaining walls.



Need a Birth Certificate?

If you were born after 1940 in Maryland, go to the Allegany County Health Department, 12501 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland. Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

- Cost \$20.00 payable by cash, local check, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.
- Certified birth certificates can be acquired within a half hour if all guidelines are met.
- Government issued ID required: valid driver's license, United States Passport, DMV photo ID card, military photo ID.
- NO side view photo ID's, ID's that are expired, cracked, chipped, broken or peeling will not be accepted.
- ID's must include an issue date and an expiration date. If the ID does not include a full middle name, an additional form of ID will be required, such as a Social Security Card.
- There is no fee for a copy of a birth certificate of a current or former armed forces member. Specific documentation is required for the military. Call 301-759-5119 for more information.
- Birth certificates for years prior to 1940 must be requested from the Division of Vital Records, 6550 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, MD 21215. The fee is \$10.00 when applying to the Baltimore office.

Need a Photo ID?

- The MVA is located at 13300 Winchester Road SW Cumberland. Phone is 410-768-7000.
- Hours of operation are Monday-Wednesday and Friday: 8:30am – 4:30 pm, Thursday 8:30 am – 6:30 pm and Saturday from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. **You must make an appointment.**
- There are no age requirements to obtain a Maryland identification card.
- Bring proof of identity and date of birth such as a birth certificate or a valid United States Passport.
- Bring 2 documents proving your Maryland residency such as a utility, telephone, cable or satellite bill, property tax bill, MD vehicle registration, vehicle insurance card, checking or savings account statement, residential rental contract, deed or proof of home ownership, mail from a federal, state or local government agency, credit card statement, selective service card. The utility bill, etc. should be within the last 6 months.
- Bring proof of your social security number such as original social security card, recent W-2 or 1099 form or proof of ineligibility. All copies must be original, certified, or true test copies. Be certain that the 1099 contains your full Social Security number.
- Fee is \$15 for younger than 18 years old, \$24 for older than 18 years old. Duplicate cards are \$20. Older than 65 and disabled residents are free.

Need a Social Security Card?

- The Social Security office is located at 217 Glenn Street, Suite 100 in Cumberland close to the Downtown YMCA and the VA clinic. Phone number is 866-964-7409.
- Hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.
- Call 1-866-964-7409 from 9 am to 4 pm or 1-800-772-1213 between 7 am and 7 pm, Monday through Friday if you have any questions.
- Documentation you should bring (if available): MVA ID card, Driver's license, medical assistance card, and/ or valid passport.

