Tower Gazette

Monthly Newsletter for October 2026

CUMBERLAND HOUSING GROUP

Maryland Smoke Free Apartments

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Exterminator Schedule

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

Grande View
3rd Wednesday of each month
101 – 217 Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct. and Dec.
218 – 335 Jan., March, May, July, Sept, Nov

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

Preventive Maintenance Inspections

Oct. 19th thru Oct. 23rd Queen City Towers - 7th Floor

Oct. 28th JFK Apartments - 201, 301, 401, 501, 601, 701, 801, 901, 1001, and 1101

Oct. 13th Grande View 101, 104,105,106, 211, 212, 213, 214, 217 and 219

*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 30 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.*

Notices to Tenants

Written notices related to important general subjects, revisions to rules and regulations, bulletins & flyers pertaining to various activities, etc. are distributed periodically to each rental unit, posted on the Cumberland Housing Group website, Facebook page, emailed to tenants that are signed up for RentCafe and/or are posted in the community rooms at the development. Make it a point to read and understand fully all postings, as they affect your status as a tenant of the CHG. **Not signed up for RentCafe, contact your property manager or Paula at the main office.**



JFK Office Hours- Effective October 1st

8 AM – Noon
Office will be closed.

Noon – 12:30 pm
Office will be closed for lunch.

12:30 pm - 4 pm
Office will be opened.

Do Not Disturb office staff during closed hours. If you need an appointment during the time the office is closed, please call to make an appointment.

Required Thirty-Day (30) Comment Period

The Housing Authority is holding the required thirty-day (30) comment period for All Properties for changes to Attachment 3 House Rules and Attachment 6 Pet Ownership Policy. Comments can be submitted in writing to the Cumberland Housing Group office by October 17, 2026.

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 and its Capital Fund 5-Year Action Plan. Public comments can be submitted in writing to our office prior to the hearing or voiced at the hearing. The public hearing will be held on November 5, 2026 at 10:00 AM, at the Jane Frazier Village Community Room connected to the Central Office.

Information related to the House Rules, Pet Ownership Policy, and 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 www.cumberlandhousing.org.

Added to the Barring List

Dominick Haye

If you see any person on the property that is barred, you can contact the Cumberland Police Dept. at 301-777-1600.

FOOD GIVEAWAY!
The 3rd Thursday of every Month

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 4th Friday of every Month

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

Adult Daycare Program

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

JFK

Monthly meal provided by Christ Lutheran Church will be delivered on Saturday, October 17th between 3 & 3:30 pm. If you are interested in receiving meals, contact Rhonda Roy.

QCT - Bible Study

Roy Bible will be conducting the Bible Studies.

Dates will be posted.
2 pm to 3 pm in the Community Room
All Residents Welcome!

HOPE STATION

Come and join Hope Station for a **Craft Day**
to be held every Thursday beginning at 11am.
For more information call: 240-362-7168.

The Cumberland Housing Group Offices will be closed on Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus Day!



Transportation

Allegany County Health Department has two programs for transportation.

1st program is for folks who have Medicaid. The number to call about the program is 301-759-5123. You will go thru a short screening process, then if you qualify rides can be set up.

2nd program is called, Yellow Bus Pass. It is for folks who have Medicare only. The number for this program is 301-759-5014. They have bus passes from a grant that was received.

Queen City Tower Tenants

Reminder, when paying your rent, you need to include **payment for the $8.00 air conditioner** charge.

Resident Council Meetings

JFK Residents – Resident Council meeting will be held October 21st at 3 PM. If you have any concerns please see Rhonda Roy, President.

Resident Councils serve as the voice of the residents at each Multi-Family and Public Housing developments. 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**!



Queen City Tower Prayer Group

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 oversees 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.

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 301-759-5093 or Maryland's Quit line at 1-800-784-8669.

Game Night

Game Night at QCT will be held every Sunday from 5 pm to 8 pm in the community room. All residents are invited. Jeff Steele oversees Game Night. Join us for a game of corn hole beginning at 5 pm.

Crime Solvers Tip Line 301-722-4300
www.allegany-mineralcountycrimeslovers.com
To report **suspected Drug Activity**, leave an anonymous tip at 301-759-4660.

OCTOBER 2026

Get better work search results with skills learned from the Job Center's no-cost, virtual sessions!

Register at least two days in advance by emailing the facilitator your name, the workshop title, and workshop date. Facilitators may request additional identification. Advanced registration in the Maryland Workforce Exchange (*MWEjobs.Maryland.gov*) is required.

A-I for Beginners
October 8 (10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

Take a walk through ways that AI can boost your resume and improve your career searching skills. Register online at *https://forms.gle/oJjmkZUEp15CfJ8o8*

Building a Social Media Profile for Job Seeking
October 8 (1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Learn how to use and find open jobs on social media. Register by emailing Katie.Marvin@maryland.gov

Resume ABCs
October 9 (10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)

Learn the mechanics of how to write an attention-grabbing resume. Register by emailing Cassandra.Baker@maryland.gov

Basic Interviewing Skills
October 15 (1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Learn styles of interviews and tips for successful interviews. Register by emailing Katie.Marvin@maryland.gov

Building a Social Media Profile for Job Seeking
October 22 (1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Learn how to use and find open jobs on social media. Register by emailing Katie.Marvin@maryland.gov

LinkedIn for Job Seekers
October 23 (10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)

Learn to build a successful LinkedIn profile for job seeking. Register by emailing Karl.Kohler@maryland.gov

Basic Interviewing Skills
October 29 (1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Learn styles of interviews and tips for successful interviews. Register by emailing Katie.Marvin@maryland.gov

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Equal Opportunity Employer/Program: *American Job Centers are committed to diversity in the workplace and do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, gender, age, orientation, national origin or disability. Auxiliary aids and reasonable accommodations are available upon request, with advanced notification.*

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