

THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS



Fall is finally here and we're feeling a little relief from the hot temperatures. It's a wonderful time of year to get out and enjoy the nice weather and maybe go to a pumpkin patch or fall festival with the family. Remember that kids of all ages will be out and about on the 31st trick-or-treating and having fun so be careful when driving through the complexes and on the streets. We want everyone to have fun and be safe.

CONDOLENCES

Our most sincere condolences go to the family, friends and neighbors of Ms. Harriett Ingram. Ms. Harriett passed away last month and was a longtime resident of the Housing Authority and lived at Flipper Homes for many years. She was a faithful member of the Bingo Club and also president of our Resident Advisory Board.

Also, our condolences go to the family, friends and neighbors of Ms. Laticia Brooks. She was a resident of Sunset Terrace in Boston and passed away last month. May you both rest in peace. You will be missed.

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ATTENTION: ALL RESIDENTS

Have you already cleaned off your porches? If so, thank you. If not, please check your porches and make sure you don't have too much clutter on them. You are only allowed no more than a couple of chairs and two plants on the front and the same on the back. We are trying to keep clutter to a minimum to keep everything looking nice and clean. Thank you all for your cooperation and understanding.

BAN LIST

We have some individuals we have added to the ban list in September. Dennard Wyche, Zion Wilson and Kameron Brown have been banned from ALL Housing Authority properties. If you see either of these individuals on our property, please call 911 or TPD dispatch at 226-2101 to report them for trespassing. It is for your safety and the safety of other residents that they and everyone else on the ban list stay off our property. If you need an updated ban list, you may contact the office. Thank you all for your help in this matter.

BOSTON MAILBOXES

There are only a few of our Boston residents that have not picked up their mailbox keys from the office. If you are still interested in getting your mail at your complex, we ask that you come in as soon as possible and take care of this.

LEASE VIOLATION REMINDERS

This is a friendly reminder that it is a lease violation to refuse entry to Housing Authority employees for repairs, pest control or scheduled inspections. Refusal is grounds for eviction. It's always a good

idea to go back and read your lease to remind yourself of what is expected of you as a tenant.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

This is a reminder for those required to do community service. Paperwork showing you have completed your hours so far this year needs to be turned in before re-certifications begin in January to show you are compliant. Call Kay at the office if you need to know how many hours you still need to complete for the year. It's always best not to put this off so you won't have to do them all at once.

RESIDENT REMINDERS

*This is another reminder that if you receive a letter to come to the office, you MUST comply with this request.

*Inspections are the week of the 21st this month. Be sure to have your apartment ready by keeping everything clean and neat. REPEATED VIOLATIONS WILL RESULT IN BEING PLACED ON HOUSEKEEPING PROBATION.

*We ask that you please wait until Wednesdays to put items outside for pick up. We run the dump wagon on Thursdays.

*Call the office if your can is damaged and we will inform the city and have it repaired or replaced for you. Also, PLEASE PUT GARBAGE IN BAGS BEFORE PLACING IT IN YOUR CAN TO KEEP IT CLEAN. Don't forget to pull it back after pick up. Thank you!

OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct. 1 – Rent due
- Oct. 8 – Last day to pay rent before late fees
- Oct. 9 – Late fees
- Oct. 14 – Columbus Day
- Week of Oct. 21 – Pest control/Meter reading
- Oct. 22 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos
- Oct. 23 – Dispossessorys for non-payment
- Oct. 31 - Halloween

LATE NOTICES

Remember, the late notices are added after the 5th working day of each month. If you receive a late notice for past due rent, you have fourteen (14) calendar days to pay. This will not always be the same date every month. After the 14 days, if rent is still not paid you will be turned over to the Magistrate Court and charged an additional \$80. Then, if rent is not paid in the next 7 days a Writ of Possession is issued and the Magistrate Court sets a date and time to set out a tenant's belongings with an additional \$25 added to the account. In order to avoid a late fee, rent must be paid in the office or put in the drop box BEFORE late fees are added. It doesn't matter when the money order is dated. If it is not turned in to the office by the due date, then it is considered late. Remember that rent and utilities must be paid in full. **NO PARTIAL PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

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Our Maintenance Department is open for emergency work orders 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

EMERGENCY WORK ORDER #403-7436

1. Gas leak or smell
2. Main sewer line backed up
3. Stopped up toilet (if running over on floor)
4. Main water line break
5. Apartment is flooded.
6. Heater is out if below 32 degrees F or not after 10:00 pm
7. Power is out.

