

# THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS



A very happy Mother’s Day to our resident mothers, step-mothers, foster mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, aunts, sisters and anyone else stepping up in a motherly role. This is making a huge difference in the life of a child. Enjoy your day!

**Is being a mother a blessing?**

Motherhood is a journey that is unique to every mother. For some, it comes easily, while for others, it is a challenging and daunting experience. Yet, despite the ups and downs, being a mother is truly a blessing. It is a role that requires patience, love, and unwavering dedication.

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It has been another successful year for our students but the school year has come to an end. Congratulations goes to all our resident 2024 graduates. They will graduate this month and start the next chapter of their lives. This is an exciting time for them and their families. The Housing

Authority wishes you all a very successful, happy future. We believe you’ll go on to do great things. Enjoy this time.

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations goes out to our former resident, Temieke Ross, on the purchase of her new home. We will miss her in the neighborhood but wish her many happy memories in her new home.

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**HOUSEKEEPING INSPECTIONS**

We are having an increasing number of re-inspections for various housekeeping violations but especially stoves. Please make sure your stove – the oven, under the stovetop and the rangehood – stays clean. A good tip to help with this is to put tin foil in the bottom of your oven to catch spills. That way the tin foil can be changed out when necessary and this will save a lot of time and scrubbing. Hope this helps. Thank you!

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**YMCA SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM**

Once again, the YMCA is sponsoring a summer food program. The dates this year are May 28<sup>th</sup> - July 19<sup>th</sup>. The locations for our complexes are:

Harper- Breakfast 8:00 – 8:45 & Lunch 11:30-1:00

Cherokee – Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

Faircloth – Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

Flipper – Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

Lunch in Boston is at the Boston Center on Johnson St. from 12:00 – 1:00.

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**RENT CHANGE REMINDER**

May 1<sup>st</sup> is the date rent will change for our Boston residents due to recertifications. If you’re not sure the amount, just give us a call at the office and we’ll be happy to give you your new amount.

**BAN LIST**

We have added two new names to our ban list...Eric Williams and Quantavis Morris. If you see them or anyone else on the ban list, please don't hesitate to call 911. Thank you for helping keep our communities safe.

**MAY GAMES**

The big Bingo winner for April was Elaine Geter with Shirley Thurman coming in a close second. Dates for our games in May will be May 8<sup>th</sup> and the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Come join us on those days if you'd like to. Don't have transportation? Just give Kay a call at 226-4065 ext. 5 for a ride.

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**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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

\*Please do not feed stray animals on housing authority property.

\*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!

\*There is a \$50 fine for pouring grease outside. Be sure to put it in a container or throw it in the trash. Pouring it outside attracts pests and kills the grass.

**MAY DATES TO REMEMBER**

- May 1 – Rent due
- May 2 – National Day of Prayer
- May 8 – Games at College Terrace Comm. Bldg
- May 8 – Last day to pay rent before late fees

- May 9 – Late fees
- May 12 – Mother's Day
- Week of May 20 – Pest control/Meter reading
- May 22 – Games at College Terrace Comm. Bldg
- May 22 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos
- May 23 – Dispossessorys for non-payment
- May 27 – Memorial Day – Office closed

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.

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**LATE NOTICES**

Remember, the late notices are added after the 5<sup>th</sup> 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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