

Mexico Housing Authority

July 2016 Newsletter

Water Usage/Outdoor Water Spigots

We have recently noticed that some of our Residents are using the outdoor water spigots for personal use. THIS IS A VIOLATION OF YOUR LEASE. MHA provides water, sewer and trash service to our residents free of charge. In order to continue providing this service at no cost we ask that residents DO NOT use the outdoor water spigots for any reason. Continuous usage may result in the termination of your lease and/or excess water charges being charged to your account. SWIMMING POOLS OF ANY SIZE ARE NOT ALLOWED ON MHA PROPERTY.

Preventative Maintenance Coming Soon!

Preventative Maintenance...
Maintenance and Management will be in your units sometime between July 5-July 8, 2016 for Preventative Maintenance. Make sure your screen doors are unlocked and pets are put away.
Thank you, Management



Important Dates

MHA will be closed on Friday, July 1, 2016 for an Administrative Work Day.

MHA will be closed on Monday, July 4, 2016 in observance of Independence Day .

Our office will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

RAB giveaway and the Resident Association Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2016 from 3:00 to 4:00 pm at the Garfield Community Center.



ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

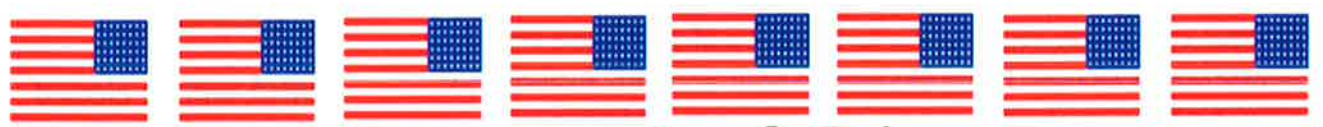


Pest Control

Bug Out Pest Control and Management will be in your unit once a month to spray for pests. Please make sure that your screen doors are unlocked and that your pets are secured.

Friday, July 8, 2016——Trinity, Central, Garfield, Tyronn Lue, Seminary, Union, Calhoun, Bolivar

Friday, July 22, 2016——Boulevard, Hassen, Buchanan, Breckenridge, Singleton, Liberty, Missouri, Wade, Fieldcrest, Macfarlane, Holt, Lafayette



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Breathe Healthily, Live Happily

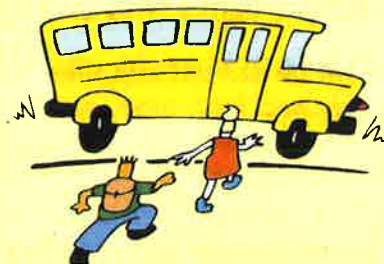
HUD SMOKEFREE POLICIES IN PUBLIC HOUSING

As many of you know, Mexico Housing Authority will soon be going Smoke Free. The tentative date of this change is January 1, 2017. You will be seeing updated information about this change in your newsletters starting now, but please feel free to call our office if you have any questions.

- ❖ **A NO-SMOKING rule is NOT a 'NO-SMOKER' rule.**
 - THIS SIMPLY MEANS YOU WILL HAVE TO STEP OUTSIDE AWAY FROM THE BUILDING. MANY SMOKERS ALREADY SMOKE OUTSIDE.
- ❖ **The air will be healthier for EVERYONE who lives in a NON-SMOKING building.**
 - SECOND HAND SMOKE IS THE SMOKE THAT COMES FROM THE BURNING END OF A CIGARETTE, CIGAR, OR PIPE. SECOND HAND SMOKE CAN MAKE OUR CHILDREN SICK. CHILDREN WHO LIVE IN HOMES WHERE PEOPLE SMOKE MAY GET SICK MORE OFTEN WITH COUGHS, WHEEZING, EAR INFECTIONS, BRONCHITIS AND PNEUMONIA. SECOND HAND SMOKE CAN ALSO CAUSE LUNG CANCER AND HEART DISEASE.
- ❖ **TENANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL BE SAFER FROM HOUSE FIRES.**
 - Also, there will be less damage to your units as well. Smoking can stain walls and ceilings, furniture and curtains, and leave a thin residue on your belongings which can be hard to clean.
- ❖ **IF YOU ARE READY TO QUIT SMOKING, HERE ARE A FEW RESOURCES FOR HELP.**
 - lungusa.org
 - cdc.gov/smoking
 - smokefree.gov
 - National Tobacco Quit Line 1-800-QUIT-NOW
 - American Cancer Society



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Bug Out Pest Control

Pest Control and Management will be in your unit on either the 2nd or 4th Friday each month to spray for pests. Please make sure your front screen door is unlocked and your pets are secured.

2nd Friday, August 12-----Walnut, Seminary, Central, Garfield, Trinity, Calhoun, Union, Bolivar

4th Friday, August 26-----Boulevard, Hassen, Breckenridge, Singleton, Buchanan, Liberty, Missouri, Wade, Macfarlane, Fieldcrest, Holt, Lafayette.

Smoke Free Reminder

HUD Smoke-free policies in Public Housing

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CITY OF MEXICO EVENTS

1860'S BASEBALL!

MEXICO PARKS AND RECREATION WILL BE SPONSORING 1860'S BASEBALL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS PARK T-BALL FIELD ON WEDNESDAYS IN AUGUST AT 6:30 PM. OPEN TO ANYONE WHO WANTS TO PLAY OLD-FASHIONED BASEBALL! RAIN MAY CANCEL SO LISTEN TO KXEO/KWWR.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

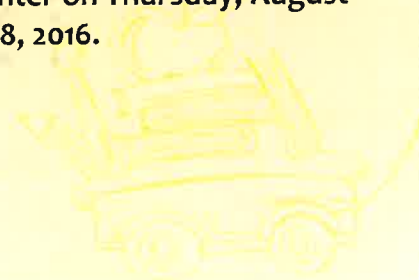
"HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 2" WILL BE PLAYING AT DUSK AT LAWRENCE SHELTER IN PLUNKET PARK ON AUGUST 13TH, WEATHER PERMITTING. FEEL FREE TO BRING LAWN CHAIRS, BLANKETS AND SNACKS AND ENJOY THE SHOW!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Absolutely **NO SWIMMING POOLS** are allowed on MHA property at any time.

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RAB giveaway and Resident Association Meeting will be held from 3:00-4:00 pm at the Community Center on Thursday, August 18, 2016.



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BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR

August 6 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Mexico United Methodist Church

Mexico, MO.

There will be school supplies, backpacks, family and faith area, public safety displays, public health screenings, scoliosis checks, dental assessments and hearing and vision screenings. All services provided free to students of all ages. Children must attend with a parent or guardian. Mexico United Methodist Church is located at 122 E. Promenade St. in Mexico. You may call Joyce Herron at 573-253-8700 with any questions.

***Mexico Housing Authority
Maintenance personnel will be
picking up unused container
gardens as we see them
effective immediately.***





What is the Foster Grandparent Program?

The Foster Grandparent Program recruits lower income men and women ages 55 and older to offer support to children in educational settings. Most of our participants serve in preschools and elementary schools where they share their love of children and provide academic, and sometimes behavioral and developmental, support to the youth in their communities. The minimum time commitment is 15 hours per week.

The Foster Grandparent Program enables participating seniors to remain physically and mentally active, and enhances their feeling of self worth through continued participation in community service. Established in 1965, this program with a unique multi generational approach has made a difference in the lives of the young and old for more than 50 years!!

The many benefits for our Foster Grandparents:

- Earn a tax-free stipend (\$2.65/hour) which is not considered a wage, therefore will not be factored into the household income or affect any services they may be receiving.
- 13 paid holidays per year, an added 10 hours earned time off each month, paid snow days and teacher work days when school is closed.
- A meal served during their shift.
- Limited accident & liability insurance while on duty.
- Receive recognition and appreciation.
- Transportation reimbursement.

But the greatest benefit of all is the renewed sense of purpose in the lives of our volunteers, and that bit of extra attention shared with the child making them know they're special and loved. If you have any questions or know anyone who may be interested in the Foster Grandparent Program contact: Director, Julie McNeill or Volunteer Coordinator, Margaret McGeehon at: 573-443-8706 ext. 1131 or ext. 1129, fax 573-777-4419