



MEXICO HOUSING AUTHORITY

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October 2023 Public Housing Newsletter



Our mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all.

MHA maintenance will be inside units October 1-31, 2023, to replace furnace filters, smoke detector batteries, check dryer vents and complete preventative maintenance inspections.



Housing America Month!

Fire Safety and Prevention Tips:

- 1. Make sure all exits from rooms are clear and that there is nothing blocking them.**
- 2. Have a fire escape plan for your home. Designate a place outside where everyone can meet in case of a fire and practice this plan often.**
- 3. Keep space heaters at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn and turn them off when you leave the house, the room or go to bed.**
- 4. Do not leave candles burning when you are away and unplug small appliances when not in use.**
- 5. Keep matches and lighters hidden and out of children's reach, and teach children not to play with them.**

Guardian Pest Control

and management will be in your unit to spray for pests. Please make sure screen doors are unlocked and pets are secured.

FRIDAY, October 27th:

MacFarlane, Fieldcrest, Missouri, Wade, Liberty, Breckenridge, Singleton, Buchanan, Hassen, Boulevard, Holt, Lafayette

November Pest Control Schedule Change!!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th:

Trinity, Garfield, Seminary, Central, Tyronn Lue, Union, Calhoun, Bolivar

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21st:

MacFarlane, Fieldcrest, Missouri, Wade, Liberty, Breckenridge, Singleton, Buchanan, Hassen, Boulevard, Holt, Lafayette

Dates to Remember:

October 6—Office closed for Administrative Work Day

October 13—Tyronn Lue Day of Service

October 9—Office closed in observance of Columbus Day

October 19—Resident Association Meeting 3 pm

October 31—Halloween

November 3—Office closed for Administrative Work Day

November 10—Office closed in observance of Veteran's Day

November 16—Resident Association Meeting 3 pm

November 23-24—Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving holiday

A few REMINDERS.....

- **Your contact information needs to be kept up-to-date at the MHA office. If you have changes to your phone number, email address, etc., please contact the MHA office to up-date your file.**
- **You are responsible for your guest(s) and their actions while they are visiting your unit.**
- **Make sure you have permission from the MHA office before bringing a pet into your home.**
- **All vehicles parked on MHA property must be licensed with current plates or tags.**
- **Make sure your name and address are legible on money orders.**

Fall Cleanup

Mexico's Annual Fall Cleanup will be held the first two Saturdays in October.

If your regular trash pickup day is
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Saturday, October 7

Monday & Thursday
Saturday, October 14

Cleanup dates also include appliance pickups. Appliance pickup regulations apply (limit 2 per household). All items are to be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. on the assigned days.
Anyone with questions can contact the City of Mexico at 573-581-2100.

City of Mexico
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DIAPER DAY'S

WE ASSIST WITH DIAPERS
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
FIRST CHANCE FOR CHILDREN
ON: THE 1ST AND 3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
TIME: 9AM-5PM
WHERE: THE HELP CENTER OFFICE



- *YOU MUST LIVE IN AUDRAIN COUNTY**
- *PLEASE BRING A PHOTO ID**
- *YOU MAY COME 1 TIME PER MONTH**
- *ALL SIZES MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE**



MHA Halloween Decorating Contest

Join us in celebrating!

Decorate your unit with lights, window decals or use your creativity!

Judging will be done on the **evening** of October 26, 2023.

1st place - \$50 Walmart Gift Card

2nd place - \$25 Walmart Gift Card

3rd place - \$10 Walmart Gift Card



* Please take down all decorations by November 3, 2023, or there will be a charge to remove.

Attention all kiddos!

See the attached coloring page for your chance to win a \$10 Walmart gift card.

Color and put in the MHA drop box by October 26, 2023, for your chance to win!

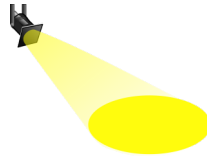
Two age brackets:

0-5 yrs. old

6-12 yrs. old



Tenant Spotlight



We can always count on Lisa to follow our MHA resident obligations and be respectful to MHA staff!

Thanks Lisa Dalton!!

Nominate Your Neighbor!!

To nominate someone you would like to see featured in our next Tenant Spotlight, drop a note in the MHA drop box!

SPOOKTACULAR WORD SEARCH

C D S U M A K E U P C B L A C K V L L F
N A P U G T P T O S A I C A U L D R O N
S M R D O T H O W G S F E D Y I E R A Z
P H U V T I D G E I K M S S E N K R A D
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H H Z E D I R Y A H K L E N S E B O K A
C D H A L L O W E E N Y R T Y G I M R L

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

WORDS

AFRAID
AFTERLIFE
ALARMING
APPARITION
AUTUMN
BEAST
BIZARRE
BLACK
BOO
BROOMSTICK
CACKLE
CANDY
CARVING
CASKET
CATS
CAULDRON
COBWEBS
DARKNESS
DISGUISE
EERIE
FANTASY
HALLOWEEN
HAYRIDE
HOWL
LANTERN
MACABRE
MAKEUP
MIDNIGHT
MOONLIGHT
MYSTERIOUS
NIGHTMARE
PUMPKIN
SHOCK
SPECTER
UNEARTHLY
WIZARDRY



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“Ideas and Suggestions”

Five Year Action Plan - Capital Fund Program

Mexico Housing Authority is currently preparing our Annual 5-year plan for the Capital Fund Program (Modernization), for fiscal year, 2024 to 2028 as well as ideas for futures years. We request ideas and suggestions every year from our Residents, Employees, Resident Council, Tenant Associations and we strongly encouraging everyone’s input.

If you are not familiar with this program, HUD annually allocates money to Housing Authorities to perform major capital projects for our properties that the Operations Budget cannot support. MHA has budgeted for \$300,000.00 annually over the next five years for our Capital Fund Improvements, although there is a continuous threat that this funding may be reduced. The following are examples of categories of “work items” that qualify under this program:

- Management Improvements (Staff training)
- Administration (Modernization salaries and construction advertising)
- Construction Consultants (Architects and Engineers)
- Site Improvements (landscaping, fencing, concrete, drainage, roofing, etc.)
- Dwelling Structures (screen doors, floor tile, central air, HVAC, hot water heaters, windows etc.)
- Dwelling Equipment (ranges, refrigerators, etc.)
- Non-dwelling Structures (community space furniture, computers, Maintenance tools, etc.)

Attached you will find our current Five Year Capital Fund Plan and Annual PHA Plan for years 2024 to 2028.

Please see our Active PHA Plan and Current 5 Year Capital Fund Plan and provide use with any ideas and suggestions for future improvements to the Mexico Housing Authority Properties.

Deadline to return Ideas and Suggestions is November 14, 2023, thank you in advance for your input!

Hand delivered

September 22, 2023

**Current 5 Year Capital Fund Program and Annual PHA Plan
Grant - 2024 thru 2028**

Mexico Housing Authority

2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Renovation of Dwelling Units	retaining walls	porches and concrete slabs	Renovation of Dwelling Units	Land Erosions
Replace Floor and Cove Base	Replace Sidewalks and Parking Spaces	exterior door replacment	roofs	Foundations
Bathroom remodels	Foundations	Replacement of Windows	Upgrade Attic Insulation	Unit remodels
parking and sidewalk concrete	Upgrade kitchen/cabinets	Upgrade Bathrooms	Landscaping	concrete replacement
Replace HVAC units/water heaters	Replace Shower Surrounds	electric water heaters/HVAC	Electric Upgrades	siding
Trees trimmed and cut down	Exterior Painting of Buildings	Foundations	Tree Removal	exterior paint
Exterior Paint	Replace Shower/Tub	landscaping	exterior paint	range and refrigerator replacment

Listed on the front side is our Active and Current 5 Year Capital Fund Plan. Please provide us with a list of work items or suggestions that you would recommend for our future 2024 capital Funds

**Please Return your Ideas and Suggestions to the Main Office, the Public Meeting will be held on November 14, 2023 at 9am
These Ideas will be used for our 2023 Capital Fund Plan
Any Questions Please Contact: Josh Hinten Contract/Inventory Manager
573-581-2294 ext. 242, or jhinten@mexicoha.com**



Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____