

Resident and Community News



Housing Authority of Henderson
Bobbie Jarrett, Executive Director

MARCH
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*The Mobile Library
will be in your area for
March, 2024*

Fagan Square:

Dates:

February 6th (Tuesday) Time: 2 - 3 pm
February 20th (Tuesday) Time: 2 - 3 pm

840 North Adams:

Dates:

February 6th(Tuesday) Time: 3:15 - 4:15 pm
February 20th(Tuesday) Time: 3:15 - 4:15 pm

If you have any questions please call:

Juanita Daugherty

Mobile Library Manager and Seed
Library Coordinator
Henderson County Public Library
101 south Main St.
Henderson, KY 42420
270-826-3712 ext. 219



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

PUBLIC AWARENESS PROGRAM – GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

ATTENTION PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS

Everyone in our community is familiar with our local gas department but some may not realize that natural gas utilities receive their gas from natural gas pipeline systems.

The purpose for these underground energy portals is to safely transport this vital fuel to heat homes and power businesses and vital service institutions.

The transportation of natural gas through these pipelines is one of the safest methods for transporting energy, although accidents can occur. One of the ways accidents occur is when someone digs in the vicinity of a gas pipe and cuts the line.

The Kentucky One-Call system is an organization to prevent these types of accidents. **Dialing 811** and providing information to the operator will ensure that local utilities, including gas utilities, will mark their lines. Another way accidents occur is when leaks from pipelines, appliances or other gas-related equipment occur. Natural gas is a colorless, odorless fuel that is lighter than air. Because it is odorless, a harmless odorant, usually smelling like rotten eggs, is added to the gas so that the presence of gas may be detected

*Housing Authority of Henderson
Board of Commissioner's
Meeting
March 18, 2024
12 noon*

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Leaks may be detected by noticing the following:

- Smelling gas (odorant) near a meter or pipeline, sometimes after excavation work
- A hissing or roaring sound caused by escaping gas
- Dead or discolored vegetation in an otherwise green environment
- Blowing dirt, grass, or leaves
- Steady bubbling in a wet, flooded areas or other water environment
- A fire in or near an appliance or gas pipe
- Unusual noise at an appliance
- Unusual behavior of the flame at an appliance burner

In the event of a detected gas leak, the following should take place:

- Leave the vicinity immediately (without making calls or operating light switches)
- Evacuate others in the vicinity
- Turn off and abandon cars or equipment in the vicinity
- Do not start a car or other equipment in the vicinity
- Do not operate any electrical or electronic equipment in the vicinity
- Do not light a match or use another source of ignition
- Do not smoke
- Warn others to stay away from the area
- Stay away from open flames
- Wait for maintenance, emergency or utility personnel to put out flames

To report a leak, call our Barret Center office at (270) 827-1294 or 911.

In keeping the public safe from the potential hazards of natural gas, such as fire or explosion caused by leaks, the Housing Authority of Henderson conducts a leak survey. The survey is performed to find leaks in piping and related gas equipment.

Additionally, the Housing Authority Maintenance Staff and Contractors perform periodic sniff tests to ensure that odorant can be detected in the gas. In addition, they also make periodic checks for gas leaks and monitor each gas meter.

The agency that oversees all natural gas safety related activity for our distribution piping is the Kentucky Public Service Commission. They can be reached at 502-564-3940.

To obtain further information about natural gas you may contact the Housing Authority of Henderson Barret Center office at (270) 827-1294 extension 1133.

Residents remember you are no longer allowed to plant anything in the yards. All flowers, shrubs and garden plantings (tomatoes, peppers etc.) must be planted in pots.



1st Quarter Service Anniversary's

1 year of service:

LaShunda Hill – 1/3/23
Tiffany Harter – 1/17/23

2 years of service:

Michelle Chappell – 1/13/22

5 years of service:

Jeromy Owens – 1/7/19

6 years of service:

Tiffany Darnell -3/12/18

FREE Tax Preparation Assistance

The Volunteer and Information Center and Green River Asset Building Coalition will again provide FREE Tax Assistance (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program at the Housing Authority. Look for our yellow and green doors to enter.

Appointments will be necessary. Call or Text: 270-631-0738 or online at <https://www.volunteerhenderson.org/appointment> , or use the QR code below to scan and go directly to make an appointment.

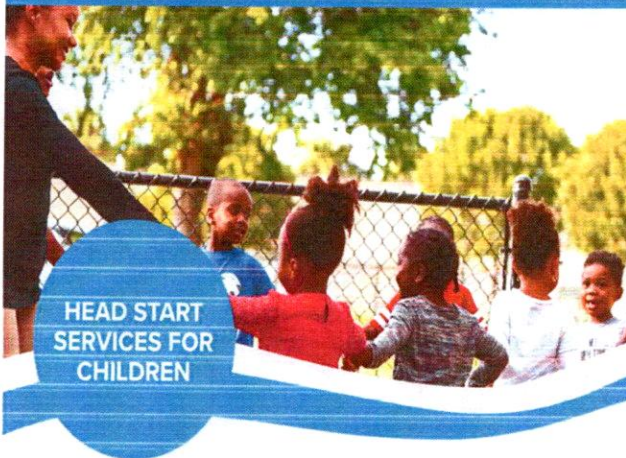


The Henderson County VITA site is located at the Housing Authority of Henderson, 111 S. Adams St. Site hours are Noon to 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to Noon.

We have a new Client Portal that will allow patrons to check on returns.

Find details about how you can qualify and what you should bring to the VITA site at www.volunteerhenderson.org/vita/. *Intake documents are available in the Housing Authority vestibule during HA's regular business hours.*

HEAD START SERVICES FOR CHILDREN



#GetaHeadStart

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Executive Director

In Head Start and Early Start programs, we serve expectant parents and families with children ages birth to 5 from diverse cultural backgrounds and who speak different languages. Our health and wellness service for children include:

- Promoting physical development, both indoors and outdoors
- Serving breakfast, lunch, and healthy snacks
- Providing medical, dental, hearing, vision, and behavioral screening
- Assisting with mental health services for children, if needed

CONTACT THIS LOCAL PROGRAM TO SEE IF YOUR FAMILY IS ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICES .

270-854-0140 (ask for Head Start)

ST PATRICK'S DAY

Word Search

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CABBAGE

JIG

POT OF GOLD

CLOVER

LEPRECHAUN

RAINBOW

CORNED BEEF

LUCKY

SHAMROCK

GREEN

MARCH

ST PATRICK

IRELAND

PARADE

TRADITION



MANAGER'S NOTES**AMP 1 and AMP 2 / Directors: Lashunda Hill and Susan Gay**

Rent: Did you know you can pay your rent in advance? You can also pay ahead to avoid future late fees. This could save up to \$300.00 per year.

Work Orders: Please call in all work orders as they happen. A toilet that is running can increase your bill over a hundred dollars in one month.

Smokers in Public Housing: Please remember to follow the HUD mandated smoking policy. You must be 25 feet from the doors or windows. You only have (2) chances, If you get caught the third time you will received a 30 day eviction notice.

Overnight Guests: Overnight Guests are only allowed at you home 14 days per year. Please use your time wisely.

In Severe Cold it is best to leave you're cabinet doors under the sink open to avoid pipes from freezing. Allowing faucets to drip slow will help keep them from freezing.

Spring Cleaning: It is time to clean up porch areas and remove items that should not be there. This includes Christmas decorations and Halloween decorations. Only outdoor furniture is allowed on porches.

Laundry at 840 N. Adams And Fagan Hall: Laundry is for residents use only. This is the only way we can keep the price at fifty cents. Residents bringing in outside laundry or family members laundry is not allowed.

Housekeeping Tips:

- Wash refrigerator door gasket with clean soapy water to avoid loss of coolness and your electric bill being higher from not sealing. Your food will also stay fresher if the door seals good.
- Self-cleaning Gas stoves- to save time scrubbing put the burner grates in the stove when you use the self-clean feature.
- Clean carpet spills as you go using warm water or a spot cleaner it will save time and be easier to clean.
- Check your produce especially onions and potatoes and your sacks for unwanted pests when you get home from the grocery to avoid an infestation of bugs.
- Flushable wipes, tampons, sanitary napkins are not safe in the toilet.
- Wipe household surfaces on regular basis your whole family will be healthier.
- Dryer lint should be cleaned out after every use. This will save you money on your electric bill also. It is the resident's responsibility to make sure dryer vent is always clamped and tight, this is the leading cause of fires.
- Window frames and entry doors need to be wiped with a bleach-water solution to avoid condensation turning into mildew problems.

March Birth Month Flowers:

Daffodils, sometimes called jonquils or narcissus, are the birth flowers for March. Because they often bloom in early spring, they symbolize new birth, beginnings, happiness and joy.

**Aquamarine:**

Aquamarine is not only the birthstone for March, but the gem is also given as a present on the 19th wedding anniversary.





March 2024

EVICTON NOTICES
will be issued
30 days
after rent due date.

Inspections:

Lawndale

Re-Exams

Documentation Due:

Dixon

Garbage pick up dates:

Lawndale—Mon/Wed/Fri

Dixon—Mon/Wed/Fri

Madison—Mon/Wed/Fri

Eighth St. - Mon/Wed/Fri

740,750 No. Adams -

Monday/Friday

Dixon/Ingram -Monday

Fagan Square -Friday

840 No. Adams— Friday

Thrift Shop Hours :

Monday/Wednesday/


Friday 9am-2pm

Wednesday is Intake Day

Cabell Platt Medical Center

Monday/Friday 8am-5pm



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Re-Exams Dixon Boswell Room Door 15	5 Re-Exams Dixon at the Boswell Room Door 15	6	7	8	9
10 Change your clock	11 CAT Center and School Close	12	13	14	15	16
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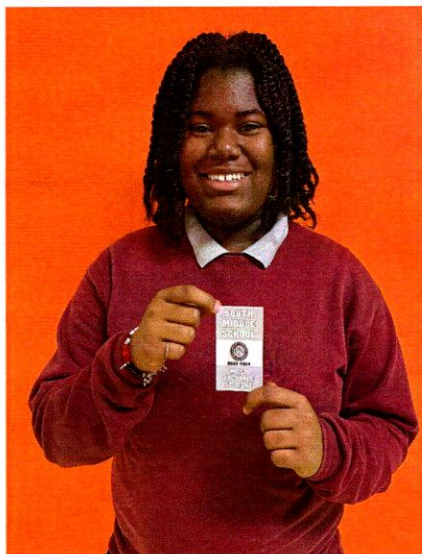
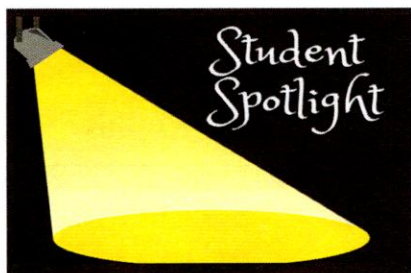
CAT CENTER NEWS

Youth & Family Coordinator: Donna Rigbsby

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Micah Harris
South Middle School
8th Grade Student

Congratulations!

Awarded Most Valuable Student!

Micah takes learning very seriously and studies diligently in order to make good grades at school. Micah has a love for books, but reading is just one of her favorite hobbies. Micah also enjoys spending time working on art projects at the CAT Center. She is always willing to be a help to her friends and staff at the Center. Micah is well liked by all the students and staff. She is very respectful and polite. Keep up the good work Micah. Congratulations from all your friends and staff at the CAT Center.

March 29
Good Friday
CAT Center

Benefits of An Afterschool Program

- **Create A Sense of Belonging:** Being away from school can offer a break from any usual cliques or social concerns. An Afterschool Program is a nice way for youth to connect with peers in a new setting. Youth in afterschool programs are more likely to be included and feel like they're part of a group.
- **Improve Social Skills:** Promotes cooperation, support, and respect. This can help youth feel more secure about joining a game or starting a conversation.
- **Provides Academic Support:** This time can be very helpful for youth who struggle with homework at home or who can't sit down to do it until late. Studies show that kids in afterschool programs may get better grades. They also may see fewer behavioral problems.
- **Make Learning More Fun:** The CAT Center is a fun and meaningful way for youth to work with other youth in areas they enjoy. A place where youth may explore new interests.
- **Provides Safety and Supervision:** The hours between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. are when older kids are most likely to commit crimes or become crime victims. It's also prime time for some kids to drink or use drugs. Research shows that these risks are even more likely for kids who learn and think differently. But keeping kids busy can keep them from engaging in risky behavior. An afterschool program can be a safer option.
- **Build Confidence:** For youth who lack confidence or have learning challenges, an afterschool program may feel more forgiving than school. The stakes may not feel as high. Youth may be more willing to try new things and take more positive risks. This, in turn, can lead to higher self-esteem.





HOUSING AUTHORITY OF HENDERSON

111 South Adams Street
Henderson, Kentucky 42420

Phone: 270-827-1294

Fax: 270-827-1482

E-mail:

housing@hahenderson.org

**Promoting, without discrimination, affordable quality
Housing, Economic opportunity, and a positive living
environment for the residents we serve.**

Applications

Currently by Appointment Only

Call to schedule appointment

Public Housing & Section Eight Applications are taken at the
Housing Authority office

Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 11:00 am

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

- All household members age 18 years and older must be present to sign.
- You must have Social Security Cards for all members of the household.
- Birth Certificates must be provided for all household members and a photo ID for all adults.
- If anyone is pregnant a statement must be presented as to due date.
- For Public Housing you must have proof of income. There may also be other documents that may be needed. You can come to the office and pick up a list that show what other documents will be needed.

INSPECTIONS:

Lawndale

March 27 - 28

RE-EXAMS:

Dixon

Begins March 4th and 5th

Boswell Room

Door #15

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS:

Troy Cox and Tony Clayton

PROBLEMS:

Please do not attempt to repair problems yourself
Please call work orders in immediately!

Call before 4:00 pm

LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES:

CALL: 911

