Resident and Community News



Housing Authority of Henderson Bobbie Jarrett, Executive Director

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The Mobile Library will be in your area:

Fagan Square

Dates & Times:

Tuesday, April 1st, 2025 Time: 2 - 3pm
Tuesday, April 15th, 2025 Time: 2 - 3pm
Tuesday, April 29th, 2025 Time: 2 - 3pm

840 North Adams

Dates & Times:

Tuesday, April 1st, 2025 Time: 3:15 - 4:15pm Tuesday, April 15th, 2025 Time: 3:15 - 4:15pm Tuesday, April 29th, 2025 Time 3:15 - 4:15pm

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

Housing Authority of Henderson Board of Commissioner's Meeting April 21, 2025 12 Noon

April is National Fair Housing Month



This year, we commemorate the 57th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, the landmark civil rights law signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson on April 11, 1968, that made discrimination in housing transactions unlawful. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing because of race, color national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, and familial status. For more information about your fair housing rights, visit FHEO's website.

Fair Housing Month emphasizes the importance of equal access to housing for everyone. It is a strong reminder that housing discrimination based on race, gender, religion, or disability is not only unlawful but also harmful to communities.

This month brings people together to raise awareness about the rights everyone has when it comes to finding a place to live. It pushes for continued progress in ensuring those rights are upheld.

More than just a legal issue, Fair Housing Month encourages reflection on how inclusive housing creates stronger, healthier, and more connected communities.

When people have equal opportunities to live in stable, safe homes, their well-being improves, and economic growth follows.

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<u>In accordance with State, Federal and Local Housing laws, the Housing Authority of Henderson (HAH) shall not:</u>

Discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, familial status, religion, or disability in the leasing, rental, or other disposition of housing or related facilities, including land, and in any development or developments under its jurisdiction.

The HAH shall provide upon request, reasonable accommodation, including auxiliary aids and services, to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in all services, programs and activities offered at the Housing Authority.

Any person requiring special needs assistance should contact 270.631.0733. The TDD number for the hearing impaired is 270.827.1294 extension 1169.

Any person aggrieved in any manner (e.g., applicant/resident) can contact the HUD Fair Housing Hotline at (800) 669-9777 or the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights at (800) 292-5566.

Housing Authority Tenants and Friends

One of the many programs that I am proud of here at the Housing Authority is our FREE Tax Preparation Assistance Program (VITA). We have been the host for this program since 2007, and each year it has grown in the number of people we have been able to serve. We supply this financial empowerment program with a facility and equipment to allow the program to run so efficiently.

We are so thankful to the community volunteers that helped with this program. Our own Chairperson of the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, Nibby Priest has been one of the 25 volunteers that serve this program.

Last year they (the 25 community volunteers) were able to help over 2,000 people prepare and file their federal and state taxes at no charge (free) and help them get 2.2 million dollars in tax refund money.

If you have not filed your 2024 Taxes yet, I encourage you to use this service here at Barret Center. April 9, 2025, will be the last day.

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.

If you have used this service, let me know how it went and encourage others to do the same.

REVISED UTILITY ALLOWANCES GAS AND ELECTRIC

Pursuant to 24 CFR Part 965 Subpart E (965.502), the Housing Authority of Henderson hereby gives notice to all residents of a proposed utility allowance revision, to become effective June 1, 2025.

The utility allowance revision is due in part to a recent Energy Audit provided by National Facility Consultants, Inc. and other Energy Conservation Measures (ECM), undertaken over the course of several years by the Housing Authority of Henderson. Energy Conservation Measures include but not limited to the following improvements:

- Doors
- Windows
- Commodes
- Faucets
- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Hot Water Heaters
- Insulation
- Lighting

Residents may respond by written comments April 1 through May 31, 2025.

The utility allowance revision schedule is available for review at the Housing Authority of Henderson Administrative Office (Barret Center) Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 4:45 p.m.



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Have a Happy Easter
Bobbie Jarrett
Executive Director

Spring Flowers

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trillium daffodil zinnia pansy lily camellia petunia garden peony rose primrose bouquet Easter lilac Pets

Prior to being approved for an allowable pet, the following conditions must be met:

A. All residents with pets shall comply with the following:

- 1. Each household may own up to two pets. If one of the pets is a dog, cat or ferret, the second pet must be contained in a cage or an aquarium, i.e. bird or fish. A bird or other allowable animal, with the exception of fish, shall be counted as one pet.
- 2. If the pet is a dog or cat, it must be neutered/spayed by the age of six (6) months, and cats must be declawed by the age of three (3) months. The evidence can be provided by a statement/bill from a veterinarian or staff of the Humane Society. The evidence must be provided prior to the execution of this agreement or within 10 days of the pet becoming of the age to be neutered/spayed or declawed. Residents must provide waterproof and leak proof litter boxes for cat and ferret waste and cages for dogs, cats and ferrets. The containers must be kept inside the dwelling unit. Cardboard boxes are not acceptable and will not be approved.

The resident shall not permit refuse from litter boxes or cages to accumulate nor to become unsightly or unsanitary. In addition, the resident must prevent any foul odors from accumulating in the unit. The weight of a cat cannot exceed 10 pounds (fully grown) and a dog may not exceed 20 pounds in weight (fully grown) excluding Seeing Eye dogs.

Note: Any pet that is not fully grown may be weighed every six months. In addition, any pet that exceeds the weight limit of at any time during occupancy will not be an eligible pet and must be removed from HA property.

- 3. **Allowable Animals:** Type of pets allowed in public housing includes but is not limited to certain domesticated dogs, cats, birds, hamsters, gerbils, ferrets and fish when in an appropriate type of aquarium.
- 4. **Prohibited Animals:** Animals or breeds of animals that are considered by the HA to be vicious or intimidating will not be allowed. Types of vicious or intimidating type animals shall include but not be limited to, Chows, Pit Bulls, Doberman Pincher, Rottweiler, St. Bernard's, Dalmatians, German Shepherds, Boxers, Bird Dogs, and any mix thereof, and any animal that displays vicious behavior. Vicious or intimidating dogs will not be allowed on the premises <u>at any time</u>. The determination will be made by a HA representative prior to the execution of this lease addendum. In addition to the above, other prohibited types of pets shall include but not be limited to reptiles, rabbits, guinea pigs, pot-bellied pigs, spiders, turtles, rats, mice or snakes and any **pet considered an endangered species.**
- 5. All pets must be housed within the unit and no facilities can be constructed outside of the unit for any pet.
- 6. No animal shall be permitted to **roam freely outdoors**. When the pet is taken outside, the animal <u>must</u> be on a leash **and under the direct control of the owner**. The pet must be kept off other residents' lawns. An unleashed pet, or one tied to a fixed object, is not considered to be under the control of an adult. Pets, which are unleashed, or leashed and unattended, on HA property may be Impounded and taken to the local Humane Society. It shall be the responsibility of the Resident to reclaim the pet at the expense of the Resident. Any cost associated with removing a Resident's pet from the unit or yard will be the responsibility of the owner of the pet. All authorized pet(s) must be under the control of an adult at all times. In addition, all pets must wear collars with identification at all times. Pets without a collar will be picked up immediately and transported to the Humane Society or other appropriate facility
- 14. Residents will not be allowed to watch pets for other residents or have visiting pets.
- 18. Residents are solely responsible for cleaning up all pet waste, if any, inside or outside the apartment and on public housing property. Waste must be disposed of by placing the waste in an appropriate container and then disposed of in the dumpster. The cleaning up of waste from the Seeing Eye dog will be the responsibility of the Housing Authority. However, prior notification must be given to the office by the owner of the Seeing Eye dog.

Service Animals

Prior to obtaining a service animal and or/emotional support animal you must complete a reasonable accommodation form. This form can be picked up at the Housing Authority Office. The form allows the Housing Authority to verify with your medical provider that there is a disability and the animal is needed.

Mowing Season

All personal items should be out of the grass during mowing season.

Storage

The Housing Authority wants to keep a clean, safe environment. Please store all outside items in your yard barn this includes toys, bikes, and etc. As stated in your "Housing Authority of Henderson Resident Handbook".

Smokers

If you or your friends or family are smokers, DO NOT throw cigarette butts on the ground. Store your cigarette butts in a fire safe container such as a coffee can. If maintenance has to clean them up in your yard area and you will be billed for this service. This also applies to candy wrappers, cans, bottles, and etc..

Parking

There is no assigned parking. All parking is first come first serve. Do not go to your neighbors and ask them to move their vehicles because they are parked in your parking place. Due to limited parking at the complexes, we also ask that residents with multiple vehicles to be respectful to your neighbors and park the vehicles that are not to be used in a parking lot in your complex.



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

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	Madison Ct., 8th St., 740/750 N. Adams St. Inspections:	April 24, 2025 The Deadline to complete Dixon Re-Exams was March 31, 2025 Eviction Notices will be sent out if you have not already completed	Garbage pick up dates: Lawndale –Mon/Wed/Fri Dixon—Mon/Wed/Fri	Eighth St Mon/Wed/Fri	/40,/50 N. Adams- Monday & Friday Dixon/Ingram-Monday Fagan Square -Friday 840 N Adams- Friday	Thrift Shop Hours: Monday/Wednesday/	Friday 9am-2pm Wednesday is Intake Day	Cabell Platt Medical Center Monday/Friday 8am-5pm Tuesday/Wednesday/	

Celebrating Success and Community at the CAT Center

We're excited to share some incredible highlights and happenings from the CAT Center!

First, a big congratulations to Willow Cassidy from Jefferson Elementary School, who earned Second place in the 4th-5th grade level spelling bee! We're so proud of her achievement and the hard work she put in to get there—way to represent, Willow!

Taking center stage—literally—were two of our very own CAT Center students and siblings, Isabella and Israel Henderson, who performed in Jefferson Elementary School's production of Annie. They did a wonderful job, and we couldn't be more proud of their talent and dedication.

There's always something exciting happening around the CAT Center. A huge thank you to Golden Corral of Henderson, KY for their generous donation of an air hockey table! Our students are loving it, and it's quickly become a favorite during free time.

On Wednesdays, we dive into our science series, and this month we've been learning all about farm animals. A special thank you to Ms. Bobbie Jarrett, who recently stopped by for a visit. The students were full of laughs and curiosity as they discussed the farm animal of the day—pigs—a topic that brought joy to everyone in the room!

We were also honored to welcome Dr. JC Campbell, Pastor of Greater Hope Church in Evansville, IN. He spoke with our students about the importance of kindness, respect, and keeping a positive attitude. He encouraged them to work hard in school, face their academic challenges with confidence, and reminded them they can achieve anything they set their minds to. The students were eager to ask questions about his childhood, college life, and travel experiences—it was truly an inspiring time together.

In the spirit of creativity and collaboration, our students are currently taking part in a team-building challenges. Watching them work together to build the tallest structures possible, create the best dance or cheer, or invent a special handshake has been a joy—their teamwork and imagination are truly impressive!

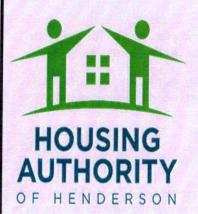
Finally, we're proud to announce the start of our **Workforce Solutions Welding Class**, in partnership with Henderson Community College and United Way, began on March 21, 2025. The program is off to a strong start, equipping participants with valuable hands-on skills and opening doors to new opportunities.

We look forward to offering more Welding and CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) classes to our community in the future.

There's no doubt, amazing things are happening every day at the CAT Center and the Housing Authority of Henderson!



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF HENDERSON



111 South Adams Street Henderson, Kentucky 42420

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> > 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.

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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

