

Resident and Community News



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Art Hop Gallery Show & Sale

Stroll the quaint streets in downtown Henderson, KY between 5-9 pm on Friday, November 4th. Visit pop-up galleries featuring more than 50 artists from around the tristate. Enjoy, admire, and purchase students' and/or professionals' original works of art. It's the perfect opportunity to start your holiday shopping early in Henderson while enjoying complimentary food, beverages, and entertainment. The event is free to attend.

Downtown Holiday Open House

November 11-12, 2022

Visit local businesses to preview holiday items and start crossing names off your shopping list. Shop local this holiday season!

Audubon State Park

Bring those little Turkey's to Turkey time at the Audubon Museum, Friday, November 11 from 10:30-11:30. Students will discuss Line, Shapes and Color as they design their favorite Turkey. Pre-registration is required and students must come with an adult. Fee: \$7:00. For more information or registration call 502-782-7918

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

*Housing Authority of Henderson
Board of Commissioner's Meeting
November 21, 2022
12 noon*

Housing Authority of Henderson Bobbie Jarrett, Executive Director

**CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT AND
WELDING PROGRAMS
CREATING PATHWAYS TO OPPORTUNITIES**



**Mrs. Donna Rigsby and CNA graduate Chassity McGuire
at the Henderson Lions Club meeting**

A stable home serves as the foundation of our lives. It's where we begin every morning and where we end every night. It's where we raise our families and build our futures. It provides us with the security to look towards a brighter tomorrow, and the peace of mind to pursue our dreams.

The mission of the Housing Authority of Henderson is to meet our community's needs by providing affordable quality housing and economic opportunities. It is our belief that a pathway to self-sufficiency through economic and educational opportunities lays the foundation for success in life. The Housing Authority of Henderson has been very instrumental in providing services and programs for our residents such as the CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) and Welding Programs.

These programs are offered in partnership with the United Way of Henderson County and the Henderson Community College. If you are interested in participating in our self-sufficiency programs, please contact Mrs. Donna Rigsby at 270.831.0747.

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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.

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

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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.



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

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, please 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.

2023 ANNUAL PLAN

The Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners, Staff and Resident Advisory Board will be meeting during the months of November and December to work on the Authority's draft of our Annual Plan. One of the items in the Annual Plan which impacts Public Housing residents significantly, is the Capital Fund Program.

Some of the Capital Fund highlights from our Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 Capital Fund Program include:

- **Lawndale/Dixon** Storm and Entrance Doors – Windows – Siding and Shutters, Gas Meters, Concrete Stoops
- **Madison/Eighth Street** – Central A/C, Gutter, Soffit, Facia, Windows
- **840** – Bathroom Remodel/Replace Showers, Replace Closet Doors, Tile Floors
- **Fagan/Dixon Ingram/North Adams** – ADA Upgrades, Replace Remodel Bathrooms, Install Ceiling Fans
- **PHA Wide** – Landscape and Tree Removal, Replace Sidewalk, Purchase Property

Bobbie Jarrett
Executive Director



MANAGER'S NOTES**AMP 1 and AMP 2 / Director: Susan Gay**

RENT: Rent payments are due on the 1st day of every month. Please call to get the exact amount of rent you owe. You must pay in full each month, the total of: rent, sanitation fee (\$5.00), utilities, and charges for work orders that are not normal wear and tear. If there is any balance due, you will receive a late fee on the 11th of the month.

All rent paid after the 10th is late and could affect future renewals or referrals to other landlords. The late fee is \$25.00. Some residents pay on a monthly basis. This is costing your family \$300.00 per year. \$300.00 is a lot of money to pay. Please plan to make a change from this habit. Tax time is right around the corner and you could pay on time or even ahead. Spend the \$300.00 on something you and your family would enjoy.

Household Changes: **The head of household needs to report all changes in all household income and assets and family composition within 10 days.** Failure to report changes will result the household having to re-pay any monies due.

FALL LEAF SEASON: Families are responsible for raking their own leaves. We ask that you bag your own leaves and we will remove them for you. You will be charged a fee if we have to rake your leaves. We have bags at the office we will give you and we will loan you a rake if you need one.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Please use clips when installing lights outside. Do not nail or use a screw to hang decorations to the apartment building. **Do not attach any decorations to the rails at 840 N. Adams.**

ARE YOU AWARE OF HUD'S OVERNIGHT GUEST POLICY: HUD's policy and your signed lease states that you are allowed to have an overnight guest for 14 total overnights per year, per household.

PETS: All pets must meet the **Housing Authority's Pet Policy** and must be registered. You are not allowed to have visiting pets.

HOUSEHOLD 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: Put the burner grates in the stove when you use the self-clean feature to save time scrubbing.
- 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. 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.

SENIOR NOTES:

DIRECTOR: Rachel Jackson



November



I W W P T I N D I A N S C O J
 P Q M I H N C O L O N I S T S
 C H A M A O C F A M I L Y V M
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DAYLIGHT
 NOVEMBER
 THANKSGIVING
 VOTER

ELECTION
 FAMILY
 MAIZE
 INDIANS

TURKEY
 SNOW
 PUMPKIN
 VETERAN

TRADITIONS
 FEAST
 COLONISTS
 HERITAGE

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 RENT DUE	2	3	4	5
6 	7	8 Commodities	9	10	11 Veteran's Day Office Closed and CAT Center Closed	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Utilities Read Board of Commissioner's Meeting 12 Noon	22	23 CAT Center and School Closed	24 Thanksgiving Office Closed	25 Thanksgiving Office Closed	26
27	28	29	30 Inspections Dixon Residents			



HUD REAC
Inspections
 Dixon
 November 30th
 No Re-Exams

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
 Tuesday/Wednesday/
 Thursday 8am-7pm



Grandparents
and
Grandchildren
are so special !
Jefferson Elementary
Grandparent's Day



CAT Center and Schools
Closed
November 23 –25
November 11
Veteran's Day
CAT Center Closed



10 Benefits of Reading



1. ***Kids who read often and widely get better at it:*** This is pretty much just common sense. After all, practice makes perfect in almost everything we humans do and reading is no different from anything else.
2. ***Reading exercises our brains:*** Reading is a much more complex task for the human brain than, say, watching TV is. Reading strengthens brain connections and actually builds new connections.
3. ***Reading improves concentration: Children have to sit still and quietly so they can focus on the story when they're reading. If they read regularly, they develop the ability to do this for longer periods.***
4. ***Reading teaches children about the world around them:*** Through reading, children learn about people, places and events outside their own experience. They are exposed to ways of life, ideas and beliefs.
5. ***Reading improves a child's vocabulary and leads to more highly-developed language skills:*** This is because children learn new words as they read but also because they unconsciously absorb information as they read about things like how to structure sentences and how to use words and language effectively.
6. ***Reading develops a child's imagination:*** This is because when we read our brains translate the descriptions we read of people, places and things into pictures. When we're engaged in a story, we're also imagining how the characters are feeling. We use our own experiences to imagine how we would feel in the same situation.
7. ***Reading helps kids develop empathy:*** Children identify with the character in the story so they can feel what the character is feeling.
8. ***Children who read do better at school:*** They don't just do better at subjects like reading, English and history. They do better at all subjects and they do better all the way through school.
9. ***Reading is a great form of entertainment:*** A paperback book or an e-reader like the Amazon Kindle doesn't take up much space so you can take it anywhere and you'll never be lonely or bored if you have a book in your bag.
10. ***Reading relaxes the body and calms the mind:*** This is an important point because these days we seem to have forgotten how to relax and especially how to be silent. The constant movement, flashing lights and noise which bombard our senses when we're watching TV, looking at a computer or playing an electronic game are actually quite stressful for our brains. When we read, we read in silence and the black print on a white page is much less stressful for our eyes and brains.



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF HENDERSON

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

Inspections

TO: Dixon Residents

Inspections will be held

Wednesday

November 30th, 2022.

NO Re-Exams

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.

November Facts:

CHRYSANTHEMUM

The November Flower

LOYALTY

JOY

LONGEVITY



Birthstone

Topaz



MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS:

Troy Cox and Tony Clayton

PROBLEMS:

Please do not attempt to repair problems yourself.

Please call work orders in immediately!

LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES:

CALL: 911

