

MHA will be CLOSED

Monday, January 21st

In observance of Martin Luther King Day

Thank you!

Please note -MHA Van follows
Hamblen County Schools
Snow Schedule



The MISSION of MHA is to provide drug-free, decent, safe and sanitary housing for eligible families and to provide opportunities promoting self-sufficiency and economic independence for families.

Neighborhood news



Officer Johnson's Sticky Notes >>>

A POLICEMAN'S HEART



I remember when I was younger about 8 years old or so,
I would hear the police sirens roar and off to the window I would go.
I wanted to see who they were saving or having to arrest,
I knew no matter what they were doing, they were doing it their best.
I never heard anyone question or blame them for their crime,
I always saw respect and honor most of the time.
I knew that I wanted to one day wear the badge and show it proud,
I kept that dream alive for years but I never knew what it meant until now.
I will help you no matter what because I am a policeman and that's what I do.
I don't care if you are rich and full of wealth,
I will help the poor the same and never think of myself.
I don't care if you are old and just want to stand and talk,
I will help the youngest person even if I have to help them walk.
I will help you find your dog or even that little cat,
I will be there with a smile on my face and wearing my TAXI-style hat.
I will help you even if you have called me names,
I am not here to judge you or point a finger at you to blame.
I will bust down the door to free you from the enemy inside,
I will administer CPR or first aid just to keep you alive.
I will step in front of a bullet just to save your life,
I will stand and fight even if they have a knife.
I will never deceive you or steal from you no matter the situation,
I will be honest and respectful no matter the problem you are facing.
I swore and took an oath to serve and protect my community no matter the cost,
I am a policeman, does anyone care that one day my life could be lost?
I became a policeman so that the kid looking out of his front door,
Will see the same policeman I saw and they won't have to worry anymore.
If you have been mistreated, or given no respect,
Please don't give up on the policeman, because most of us are here to protect.
Wearing my badge is the greatest honor of my life, I will serve and protect with the
utmost respect.

Morristown Police Department
Morristown Housing Authority
Liaison/Crime Prevention Officer
Office: 423-587-0376

Executive Directors Desk

"Setting goals is the first step in turning the invisible into the visible." – Anthony Robbins

Happy New Year!

I hope you had some time over the holidays to spend with family and friends. Now, it is time to get focused on the new year and the many opportunities we have to make a difference in our lives and the lives of our families.

It is always my hope that families will work toward self-sufficiency and be able to move from public housing. MHA offers many programs and can connect you to services that are specifically designed to help you achieve that.

When you become self-reliant, you are modeling and setting an example for your children. This can have an impact on families for generations to come.



Marilyn J. Medley
Executive Director

Let's make 2019 a year in which to be proud!

Instructions >>>

MHA Policy Updates

Over-income Residents

The Morristown Housing Authority shall track all public housing residents who have an income over 120% of the Area Median Income (AMI). After exceeding this 120% threshold for 2 consecutive years, the resident's rent shall change.

Exactly how this will occur depends on a HUD regulation that has not yet been published. Details will be determined after the regulation has been published. This is being inserted in the ACOP at this time to give our residents notice of this changing policy being implemented by HUD.

MHA is now Smoke-Free

Failure to abide by this Smoke Free Policy is a lease violation based on civil behavior with the following consequences:

- 1st Violation will result in a Written Lease Violation – no fine attached.
- 2nd Violation will result in a Written Lease Violation plus a \$10 fine
- 3rd Violation will result in a Written Lease Violation plus a \$25 fine
- 4th Violation in any 12 month period will result in a 30 day lease termination.



Notice to Residents

Christmas lights, drop cords, etc. are not permitted outside. Tenants may decorate windows from the inside but no power cords or lights may be ran through doorways, windows or from any outside outlet.

Also make sure your water hose is disconnected outside to prevent freezing. If outside faucets do freeze because a water hose has been left connected, you could be charged for repairs.

If you have any questions please contact **Mike Light** at **586-5115 ext. 8008**

Changes to >>>

Morristown Housing Authority's

Utility Allowances and Flat Rents
Effective January 1, 2019

In accordance to the 2015 Appropriations Bill, Morristown Housing Authority will adjust flat rents as established by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Hamblen, Jefferson, and Hancock Counties.

Federal Regulation requires housing authorities to conduct an annual review of utility allowances to ensure they reflect current utility consumption and rate changes. The Morristown Housing Authority implements utility allowances used by the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) for Hamblen, Jefferson, and Hancock Counties.

The proposed flat rent changes will not affect residents currently paying a flat rent until their annual recertification. Utility allowance changes will affect new admissions and current residents at annual recertification, unless an interim occurs prior to recertification.

If you wish to review the changes, please come to the office and ask the Receptionist to review the changes.

Notice to New Residents

*Filters will be replaced by the maintenance department during the second week of the month as follows: Furnaces (during winter months)
HVAC – monthly*

Trash Pickup

Morristown Housing Authority's trash truck runs each Monday.

Place on curb Sunday afternoon or before 7a.m. Monday mornings.



Pest Control Schedule

Thursday January 3rd

- Charles Turner Homes (38-6)**
- Mountain View Village (38-2)**
- Mountain View Village E (38-4)**
- John R. Johnson Homes (38-9)**

Thursday January 10th

- C. Frank Davis Homes (38-1)**

Thursday January 17th

- C. Frank Davis Homes E (38-5)**

Thursday January 24th

- Lon Price Homes (38-3)**
- Julia Bales Callaway Homes (38-7)**
- S.S. Surrett Homes (38-8)**



Treatments will begin on Thursdays and be completed by noon on Fridays. Residents will be notified if additional treatments are required. Should this schedule change for any reason, residents will be notified 48 hours prior to new start date. (This does not include Bed Bug or Termite Treatment)

(Revised 4/2016)

Community Events

2019 PHADA Scholarship Program

Applications are due by January 25, 2019

Three Scholarships will be awarded

Scholarships are for high school seniors living in public or assisted housing.

Please stop by the Computer Learning Center for application and further instructions.



**Deadline
January 25**

**Monday
January 7th**



Perishable Food Give-Away

Computer Learning Center-1149 Kennedy Circle

Pickup between 2:00 & 4:00pm

Call 423/200-5584 for more information

**Wednesday
January 9th**

All Saints Bingo

601 W Main Street

12Noon

Call to schedule transportation



**Thursday
January 10th**

Clothes Giveaway-Everything must Go!

John R. Johnson Community Room—10:00am to 2:00pm

**Monday
January 14th**



Women's ABC Counseling Group

John R. Johnson Community Room-815 Tulip Street

7:00pm—Dinner Provided

Women of all walks of life coming together supporting & building up one another...

**Thursday
January 17th**

Certified Nursing Assistant Registration

Computer Learning Center-1149 Kennedy Circle

Thursday, January 17th

10am to 2 pm



**Thursday
January 17th**



18-24-Year-Old Job Fair

Computer Learning Center-1149 Kennedy Circle

Thursday, January 17th

10am to 2 pm

Potential opening at Computer Learning Center

**Thursday
January 24th**

2019 Commodity Sign up

Computer Learning Center--1149 Kennedy Circle

Thursday January 24th, 2019

All Day



**Open on
Wednesday's**

Ready By 6

Wants to make sure all children are ready for school by the time they enter kindergarten! Stop by the office located at 1149 Kennedy Circle to receive important information concerning your child's Health Equity, Early Learning, Family Financial Stability & Secure Housing Matters.

Parents with Children 4 years of age

Pre-School registration will be in February. Dates have not been scheduled at this time. Something to remember is kindergarten is becoming more academic, so putting your children in preschool will launch your child on the path of success in school!

United Health Care Bingo

Whitepine Community Room

Will resume February 6th Whitepine February 7th Morristown

**January 26th
February 2**

Want your Income Taxes filled for free?

Call/Text Andrea to find out how! 423/273-9082

MHA Office closed January 21th, 2019

Happy Birthday to everyone born in January!

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Rent Due	2 United Health Care Bingo (CR) 12:30-1:30pm	3 Winter Craft (CLC) 10am	4	5
6 Bible Study 9:30am (CR)	7 Perishable Food Give-Away 2-4pm(CLC)	8 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	9 All Saints Bingo 12Noon	10 Clothes Giveaway- Everything must Go! (CR)-10-2pm	11	12
13 Bible Study 9:30am (CR)	14 Women's ABC (CR)—7:00pm	15 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	16	17 Certified Nursing Assistant Registration 18-24-Year-Old Job Fair-(CLC)	18	19
20 Bible Study 9:30am (CR)	21 Martin Luther King Day MHA Closed	22 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	23	24 2019 Commodity Sign up All Day-(CLC)	25	26
27 Bible Study 9:30am (CR)	28	29 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	30	31		

MHA Van Service

Transportation is provided locally for residents. The van operates the following days:

**Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Please call 423/586-5115 extension 0 to schedule a ride **one** day in advance!

Each resident may only ride 2 days out of the week!

Computer Learning Center (CLC)

1149 Kennedy Circle, Morristown

Community Room (CR)

815 Tulip Street, Morristown

Whitepine Community Room (WPCR)

1429 Main Street Apartment #231,
Whitepine

Andrea Stewart

Service Coordinator
423/586-5115 ext. 8026
Call/Text 423/273-9082

Bryan Parks

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423/586-5115
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Call 423/736-3489