

MHA will be closed in observance of Independence Day July 4th and 5th

During the Mowing Season

All yards and common areas are mowed every 7 to 10 days weather permitting

Residents keep yards clean and free of trash, grills, toys, etc., so mowers can complete their jobs as quickly as possible.

To avoid any unnecessary charges please remember;

It's your responsibility to keep your yard and parking bay clean.

MHA does not want to charge residents because maintenance crews had to clean their yard.

Also remember that any type of fencing around flowers, bushes, etc., is not permitted. Only solid borders are permitted.

Take pride in your community and keep it looking good.

If you have any questions please contact, Jeff Green @ 586-5115, ext. 8004



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.

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Encouraging words from the Executive Director

Summer is a time for outdoor fun, vacations and warm weather. We want everyone to enjoy the summer season, but make sure you are extra careful! The heat can be a risk for some individuals, especially senior citizens. I encourage residents to drink plenty of water to stay hydrated and make sure your children do the same especially if playing outside.

The Computer Learning Center has been very busy this summer. Children are being served meals and summer camps are underway! I want to take the time to thank everyone who joined us for Safety Day, it was a huge success! We had a wonderful time and it was wonderful to see everyone come out and enjoy the fun. We could not have fun days like this without support from the community. We certainly appreciate our sponsors, volunteers and support staff.

July is a month full of fun, food, and fireworks! We want to remind everyone; the City of Morristown prohibits the use of fireworks within the city limits. MHA stresses to residents to obey the city laws and practice safety. We know that it is tempting to have fun and light fireworks, but we want to ensure the safety of every resident. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, there were 10,500

firework-related injuries in the days surrounding July 4th in the year 2015 and more than 35% of them were children. The best way to prevent injuries is to leave the fireworks displays to the professionals. There are so many opportunities and events going on in our area celebrating Independence Day. To get information about events in our community, contact one of our Resident Services staff members and they'll get you the information you need.

Always remember to celebrate the independence we all get to enjoy and all of the sacrifices that have been made to allow us to be free. I think this quote by Albert Camus sums it up nicely: "Freedom is nothing else but a chance to be better."

Sincerely,

Marilyn J. Medley

Executive Director



The Morristown Housing Authority Smoke-Free Policy

Effective July 1, 2018, the use of tobacco products by residents or guests is prohibited in all public housing living units and interior areas (including but not limited to hallways, porches, administrative offices, maintenance facilities, warehouses, and similar structures). As well as in outdoor areas within 25 feet from public housing, community room, Neighborhood Network Center, administrative and maintenance office buildings.

Prohibited tobacco products are defined as items that involve the ignition and burning of tobacco leaves, such as (but not limited to) cigarettes, cigars, pipes, Electronic Nicotine Delivery System (ENDS) and water pipes (hookahs).

Residents and their guests are responsible for properly disposing of cigarette butts or other tobacco products so as not to litter the grounds.

Residents and employees who smell tobacco smoke from inside housing authority property are to report this to the Housing Director or to the Administrative Office as soon as possible. The housing authority's Management staff will try to identify the source of the smoke and take appropriate action in accordance with this policy.

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

2nd Violation will result in a Written Lease Violation

3rd Violation will result in a Written Lease Violation

4th Violation in any 12-month period will result in a 30-day lease termination.



Policy Updates & Procedures

MHA ACOP UPDATES

MHA will update the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy effective August 1, 2019. The pending updates are available for review at the front desk of the MHA office during regular business hours. The office location is 600 Sulphur Springs Road Morristown, TN. Any inquiries may be made to:

Sherrie Samples
Public Housing Director
(423) 586-5115 x 8003 or
ssamples@morristownpha.org

OVER-INCOME FAMILIES

Beginning December 1, 2018, the PHA shall track all public housing residents who have an income over 120% of the Area Median Income (AMI). This is defined as 2.4 times the HUD determined Very Low-Income limit for our jurisdiction. The limit will be adjusted each year within 60 days after HUD published new income limits. When the Housing Authority becomes aware, through an annual reexamination or an interim reexamination for an increase in income, that a family's income exceeds the applicable income limit, the Housing Authority must, per HUD regulation, document in the family's tenant file that the family exceeds the threshold to compare with the family's income a year later. If, one year after the initial determination by the Housing Authority that a family's

income exceeds the over-income limit, and the family's income continues to exceed the over-income limit, the Housing Authority must, as required by HUD regulation, provide written notification to the family that their income has exceeded the over-income limit for one year. The written notification shall further state that if the family's income continues to exceed the over-income limit for the next 12 consecutive months, the family will be subject to either a higher rent (as determined on a HUD formula) or termination based on the Housing Authority's policies. [DELETE THE OPTION THAT DOES NOT APPLY AFTER HUD PUBLISHES ADDITIONAL INFO] All notices and communications will be provided in a manner appropriate for persons with hearing, visual or other disabilities.

-If the PHA discovers through an annual or interim exam that the family's income falls below the over-income limit, the two-year period starts over again if the family exceeds the limit in the future.

-The termination or higher rent payment decision will be made after HUD publishes additional information and guidelines.

-Exempted from this regulation are families with a valid Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) contract, or families where at least one family member is receiving the Earned Income Disregard benefit.

La Autoridad de Vivienda de Morristown

Política Libre de Humo

A partir del 1 de julio de 2018, el uso de productos de tabaco por residentes o invitados está prohibido en todas las unidades de vivienda pública y áreas interiores (incluyendo pero no limitado a pasillos, pórticos, oficinas administrativas, instalaciones de mantenimiento, almacenes y estructuras similares). Así como en áreas al aire libre dentro de 25 pies de vivienda pública, sala comunitaria, Neighborhood Network Center, edificios administrativos y de oficinas de mantenimiento.

Los productos prohibidos del tabaco se definen como elementos que implican el encendido y la combustión de las hojas de tabaco, como cigarrillos, puros, pipas, sistema electrónico de entrega de nicotina (ENDS) y tuberías de agua (hookahs).

Los residentes y sus invitados son responsables de deshacerse adecuadamente de las colillas de cigarrillos u otros productos de tabaco para no desperdiciar los terrenos.

Los residentes y los empleados que huelen a humo de tabaco desde el interior de la vivienda son propiedad de la autoridad, y pueden informar de esto a la Directora de Vivienda o a la oficina administrativa tan pronto como sea posible. El personal administrativo de la autoridad de vivienda tratará de identificar la fuente del humo y tomar las medidas apropiadas de acuerdo con esta política.

El incumplimiento de esta Política Libre de Humo es una violación de arrendamiento basada en el comportamiento civil con las siguientes consecuencias:

1st La primera infracción dará lugar a una infracción de arrendamiento por escrito

2nd La segunda infracción dará lugar a una infracción de arrendamiento por escrito

3rd La tercera infracción dará lugar a una infracción de arrendamiento por escrito

4th La cuarta infracción en cualquier período de 12 meses resultará en la terminación de arrendamiento de 30 días.

Pest Control Updates & Reminders



Thursday Charles Turner Homes Mountain View Village Mountain View Village E John R. Johnson Homes	<p>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. <i>(This does not include Bed Bug or Termite Treatment)</i> (Revised 4/2016)</p>
Thursday C. Frank Davis Homes)	
Thursday C. Frank Davis Homes E	
Thursday Lon Price Homes Julia Bales Callaway Homes S.S. Surret Homes)	

MAINTENANCE AFTER HOURS

EMERGENCY NUMBER
423/273-2489

If you are unsure if you have an emergency, please refer to your "Emergency Calls" refrigerator magnet.

Hearing impaired residents, should call TN Relay Center at 1-800-848-0298

FILTER REPLACEMENT

Beginning on the second Tuesday of each month, January through December, maintenance crews will replace filters in HVAC units (each month) and furnaces (during winter months only).

FILTERS

Condensate tablets shall be added to HVAC & PTAC units each May, June, July, August, and September when filters are changed

SMOKE ALARMS

Batteries shall be changed in smoke alarms in April and October

MORRISTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY'S

TRASH TRUCK RUNS EACH MONDAY

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

To schedule a work order, please call 423/586-5115

PEST CONTROL PROCEDURE

All units will be treated monthly. Treatments are not optional.

Units will be treated when they become vacant and monitored during turnaround for any needed follow up treatments.

Heavily infested vacant units will be treated aggressively until pest are eliminated.

Heavily infested occupied units will be noted and treated on 14-day intervals.

Any housekeeping issues will be noted by the technicians and followed up by MHA staff to insure compliance.

Bed Bug Treatments Is A Service That Is Provided by The Housing Authority at No Cost to Compliant Residents

If you get Bed Bugs, it is imperative that you completely follow, step by step, the pest control providers prep list to begin the extermination process. MHA will continue to provide this service at no cost for residents who comply with the pest control provider's prep list. Lack of cooperation on the part of some residents has caused our pest control provider to request additional charges from MHA. We have negotiated with the pest control provider to hold these

additional charges to a minimum. These charges are only what will be charged by the pest control provider. MHA will not add additional charges.

New Guidelines for Bed Bug Treatments:

- Non-Compliance for Bed Bug Treatments
- First Attempt – Documentation (Write Up)
- Second Attempt - \$100.00 -owed by resident
- Third Attempt – Lease Termination

Officer Johnson's "Sticky" Notes...

As the 4th of July holiday is rapidly approaching, we would like to remind all of our residents that fireworks of any type are not only dangerous, but also illegal in Morristown.

July 4th is the second-most-deadly holiday period of the year—just behind New Year's, due to impaired driving. **Drunk driving is a serious crime.** If you're caught, we'll place you under arrest. No exceptions. No excuses.

Much of the tragedy that comes from impaired-driving related crashes could be prevented if everyone would take a few simple precautions before going out this Fourth of July.

Always follow these tips for a safer July 4th celebration:

- Whenever you plan on using alcohol, designate your sober driver before going out and give that person your keys;
- If you're impaired, call a taxi or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely

Promptly report drunk drivers you see on the roadways to law enforcement

- Wearing your seat belt is your best defense against an impaired driver;
- And remember, Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk. If you know someone who is about to drive or ride while impaired, take their keys and help them make other arrangements

**Morristown Police Department
Morristown Housing Authority
Liaison/Crime Prevention Officer
Network Center - 1149 Kennedy Circle
Office: 423-587-0376**





Jammie Smith
Community Cares
(Elderly/Disabled)
Call 423/736-3489

Bryan Parks
Service Coordinator Assistant
423/586-5115 Extension 8017

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

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!

Upcoming July Events

Computer Learning Center Events -1149 Kennedy Circle--- Office Number 423/200-5584



Kids 6 & up. Breakfast and Lunch Served Daily @ CLC



Monday, July 1st 2:00pm



July 9th-11th
July 16th- 18th

All Saints Bingo



Wednesday, July 10th
12:00pm (RSVP)

Voucher Pickup at
Hamblen County Health
Department



July 11th, 18th & 25th
At 1:30 to 3:30 each day

Children of Hope



July 18th, 19th, & 20th
6pm-8pm

Playground on Houston st & Price dr

United Health Care Bingo July 18th

Morristown CR-12:00pm

Whitepine CR-1:30pm



Backpack Registration
Saturday June 29

Saturday July 6, 13, & 20—Pickup July 27th
1 Berklene Drive, Morristown, TN



John R. Johnson Community Room

815 Tulip St.

Meet Local Churches & Businesses

Job Fair

Educational Opportunities

School Supplies

Community Resources

Barbeque

Book Fair

Thursday, August 1st 10am to 2:00pm

Happy Birthday to everyone born in July!

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Perishable Food 2pm Rent Due	2	3	4 MHA Closed Independence Day	5 MHA Closed Rent Late	6 Food on Foot Backpack Registration 11:30am
7 Bible Study CR 9:30	8	9 FUGE	10 FUGE All Saints Bingo 12pm Fred Miller Wet & Wild	11 FUGE	12 Book Club	13 Food on Foot Backpack Registration 11:30
14 Bible Study CR 9:30	15	16 FUGE	17 FUGE Stop by Ready By 6 office	18 United Health Care Bingo JRJ-CR-12:00pm WP-CR 1:30pm Backyard kids Club 6-8pm	19 Book Club Backyard kids Club 6-8pm	20 Food on Foot Backpack Registration 11:30am Backyard kids Club 6-8pm
21 Bible Study CR 9:30	22	23	24 CLC Kids Field Trip	25	26 Book Club	27 Food on Foot Backpack Pickup 11:30am
28 Bible Study CR 9:30	29 Book Fair at CLC	30 Book Fair at CLC	31 Book Fair at CLC	August 1 Back to School Bash!		