July 2024

Community Newsletter



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We are thrilled to announce that one of our residents has won first place in the Elementary Category of TAHRA's 'What Home Means to Me' Poster Contest!

Yard sales at your unit are only allowed during designated weekends, which occur twice a year. You will be informed of these weekends through our newsletter or on our Facebook page.



TVHS Lease Updates

TVHS will update the lease effective July 1, 2024. The pending updates are available for review at the front desk of the TVHS 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, at (423) 586–5115 x 8003 or ssamples@tvhstn.org.





TRESPASS LIST UPDATES can be viewed online at TVHSTN.org or at the Main Office - 600 Sulphur Springs Rd.

Strong Families

STRONG Families NETN offers a comprehensive range of services aimed at empowering families within the community. These services include access to community resources, financial assistance programs, mentoring opportunities, training sessions, and much more. Enrollment in the program is straightforward, and the organization is committed to helping families strengthen their bonds and overcome challenges.

For more information about the program, contact Constance Hansen at 423-586-5115 ext.8026 or visit the Community Resource Center located at 1149 Kennedy Cr.





SENIOR FARMER'S MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM 2024

Enjoy Fresh Tennessee Grown Produce!

Eligibility (proof required): • Household income • Age 60 and over • Resident of Hamblen County For each

Size of Family Unit	Monthly
1	\$1,632
2	\$2,215
3	\$2,798
For each additional person, add	\$583

Applications may be completed NOW at Hamblen County Health Department in June on

> Mondays (8:30am—3:00pm) Wednesdays (1:00pm - 3:00pm) Fridays (8:30am -3:00pm)

Kick - Off Event at Morristown Farmer's Market* on June 27th (8:30am - 2:00pm) & June 28th (8:30am - 2:00pm) *This will be a drive-thru event*

After June 28th, applications will be accepted at: HAMBLEN COUNTY HEALTH DEPT 331 W Main St Wednesdays in July & August from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

EIGHT \$5 VOUCHERS TOTAL FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2024

Limited Supplies Available

For community safety concerns, please contact: Officer Cobb Liaison/Crime Prevention Officer Office Number: 423-587-0376

For more information about the program, scan the QR code

This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider.





TVHS TRASH TRUCK RUNS every MONDAY

This is a service provided by TVHS to help residents dispose of large items such as televisions. couches. washers & dryers, etc. Lately, small items such as pizza boxes, bags of trash, etc. have been placed at the street. Please be aware that smaller items must be disposed of in the household trash can furnished by the City of Morristown. TVHS will no longer pick-up small items. If small items are placed at the street, you may receive a maintenance charge for pick-up. After the City empties your trash can, please return the trash can to your unit. Do not leave trash cans at the street from week to week.

Large items for TVHS pick-up should be placed at the curb from Sunday afternoon to no later than 7 a.m. on Monday morning. Do not place the large items at the street after 7 a.m. on Mondays. The trash truck will make one pass through each neighborhood and anything placed at the street after this time will result in a maintenance charge to your household.

IF LARGE ITEMS ARE PLACED AT OR NEAR YOUR UNIT AFTER THE DESIGNATED TIMES, YOU WILL BE CHARGED. IF A NEIGHBOR IS PLACING THINGS IN FRONT OF YOUR UNIT. CALL THE OFFICE AND FILL OUT A COMPLAINT FORM TO PREVENT BEING CHARGED.

If a holiday falls on a Monday, the TVHS trash truck will run on Tuesday. Tennessee Valley Housing Services does not furnish or repair the City provided trash cans. If you need a trash can, recycle bin or have one that is in need of repair, please contact: The City of Morristown Public Works Department at 423-585-4658.



What is considered an emergency work order?

AFTER HOURS emergency number 423-273-2489 Hearing impaired residents should call TN Relay Center at 711

- Refrigerator not working
- Outside door lock torn up
- Broken water lines on TVHS property.
- Gas leak at any appliance or meter.
- Fire in any building in the TVHS
- Range (only if entire range doesn't work)
- Commode stopped up and overflowing.
- Smoke alarm (going off, needs repair, loose or hanging
- An elderly tenant is thought to be hurt or in difficulty.
- Heating system off (only if outside temperature is below 55 degrees F.)
- Give assistance to the Police Department in case of break in or emergency.
- Any electrical problem which causes a power failure or poses a threat to persons or property.
- Any water heater where the relief valve pops off or develops a hole in the tank where water runs constantly

Pest Control

All TVHS units will receive Pest Control treatments in the months of March & September. These semi - annual treatments will begin on the second Monday of the month and be completed by Friday of the same week. No units will be excluded from the March & September treatment schedule.



Additional Pest Control Services will be on a call-in basis. Call-In treatments will begin on the second Monday of each month and completed by Friday of the same week. Call the office by 12:00 p.m. on Thursday to have your unit scheduled for the following week.

To schedule additional Pest Control at your unit, contact 423-586-5115 X 8010.



Please remember all TVHS properties are smoke free!



FILTER CHANGES & SMOKE ALARMS

TVHS staff will change filters each month. Filter changing will begin on the second Monday of each month and be completed by Friday of the same week. No personal items may be stored in the mechanical closets. During filter change, smoke alarms will be checked as well as the overall condition of units. Housekeeping and any lease violations will be noted.

— Insights, Updates & News FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR — July 2024



Dear Friends,

Summer is a time for outdoor fun, vacations and HOT Tennessee weather! We want everyone to enjoy the summer season, just make sure you are extra careful. The heat can be a risk for some individuals, especially senior citizens. I encourage you to drink plenty of water and make sure your children are staying hydrated, especially if playing outside. If you have an elderly neighbor, check in to be sure they're doing the same.

July is known as a month full of fun, food and fireworks! I want to remind everyone; the City of Morristown prohibits the use of fireworks within the city limits. On behalf of TVHS I want to stress that residents 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 9,700 firework-related injuries in the days surrounding July 4th in the year 2023 and more than 55% of them were teens and 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.

In closing, I hope each of you have a great time celebrating the July 4th Holiday! 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.

All my best, Sean Hilbert

Sean Gillbert