Hoboken Housing Authority

Newsletter



The Hoboken Housing Authority, Main Office Located at 400, Harrison St.

From the Executive Director's Desk



As the pandemic recedes, we are trending towards a "new normal". What a better time to pause for a moment to reflect on and celebrate the significant achievements. In April, the passing of the Hoboken Housing Forward Strategic Plan for the first time in history by

the Hoboken Housing Authority (HAA) signals that we can work together to transform the livelihood of our residents. I am grateful for the dedication demonstrated by our community, and I am so proud of how much we have been able to accomplish together in this unprecedented upheaval. The plan is a roadmap outlining the six-phase process that we will use to perform the repositioning process, redevelopment, and rehabilitation of the 1,154 housing units in Andrew Jackson, Harrison, Christopher Columbus, Monroe, and Adams Gardens to provide new affordable, safe, high-quality homes for our residents.

As the planning unfolds into the development phase, we ask for your continued participation and look forward to work collaboratively with you. You can get a copy of the Plan and the draft of the Criminal Policy in person or on our website and social media outlets. As we move forward, we continue to explore, develop, and implement activities to improve services to residents.

Have a great summer,

Marc Recko, Executive Director

Last month, we resumed our "Meet and Greet with the Director" series for the first time in two years and presented a draft of the "Drug Abuse and Other Criminal Activity Policy", formerly known as the "One Strike" policy. We invite you to take a look at the draft, then provide your input, comments, opinions, and suggestions.

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SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS

The NJHMFA has approved the boiler upgrades at Adams Gardens and Andrew Jackson. The boiler has already begun at Adams Gardens.

The façade improvements are complete in Andrew Jackson Gardens, while those at Monroe and Adams are still ongoing.



Beautiful Blossoming Tree – Andrew Jackson North

Photo Credit: Frank M.

Spotlight: Rev. Forbes



On May 12, Rev. Anthony Forbes was sworn in to Hoboken Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. He was appointed by the Hoboken City Council on May 3, 2022.

Local Services

Hoboken Food Pantry

Visit our website @

https://www.myhhanj.com/calendar?category= <u>Event</u> for monthly updates.

Amazing Truth Society

Free Karate Lessons for kids, 11 and up Every Tues, Wed, Thu, from 4pm-6pm.

Hoboken Public Library

Job, employment, and career services. Programs and classes for everyone. Visit the HHA Learning Center for more info.

Solar Energy Free Job Training - \$21/hour

Visit our website for more info: https://www.myhhanj.com/news?category=Announcements





HHA Offices will be closed on July 4th in observance of Independence Day

Community News and Events

Community Lifestyle Summer Camp

- Begins July 5
- Call (201) 520-6201 for more info.

Summer Family Field trip

- July 13 @ Dorney Park
- Families with children will receive a letter from HHA on registration information.

Health Insurance Booth – Vanessa Batista

- Fox Hill Gardens
- Tue, July 15, 10:00 am- 2:00pm
- 311 13th St, Hoboken

Fox Hill Seniors' Bingo

Every Monday at 4:00 pm

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HHA Board of Commissioners Meeting

- Thu, July 14, 7pm-9pm
 - Fox Hill Gardens
- 311 13th St, Hoboken

Holidays and Observances

 Mon, July 4th
 (Offices will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day).

Meet and Greet with the Director

Monday, July 11

- Fox Hill Gardens, 1:00pm-2:00pm
- Christopher Columbus Gardens, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Tues, July 12

- Adams Gardens, 11:00 am-12:00pm
- Harrison & Andrew Jackson Gardens, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Wed, July 13

- Monroe Gardens, 1:00am-12:00pm
- *All meetings are held in the building's community room*



Important Phone Numbers:

HHA, Office: (201) 798-0370 Fire Department: (201) 420-2004 Police Department: (201) 420-2100

Did You Know?

The Eiffel Tower increases in size in summer. This a natural physical phenomenon called thermal expansion. Heat causes an increase in volume that makes the Eiffel Tower a few inches taller. This expansion also causes the Tower to tilt slightly away from the sun.

Chef's Corner

Cucumber Tomato Salad

Ingredients:

1 long English cucumber sliced

2-3 large tomatoes diced

½ red onion sliced

1 tablespoon fresh herbs parsley, basil and/or dill, optional

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 tablespoon red wine vinegar

salt & pepper to taste

Instructions:

Combine all ingredients in a bowl and toss well.

Refrigerate at least 20 minutes before serving.

Meet the New Staff!

We are excited to announce three additions to our team, Luis Ferrer, Corinne Shaw, and Becky Espinoza.



Luis Ferrer joined us on April 4, 2022 as the Maintenance Director. He manages the activities and maintenance operations of the Hoboken Housing Authority and ensures that our focus remains on providing a clean, safe, and secure environment for all residents,

staff, and community. With over 20 years of experience, Luis brings a high level of technical expertise to this role and is looking forward to supporting you with all your maintenance needs. Luis' office is located in Monroe Garden at 221 Jackson St., take some time to drop by and say hello! He can be reached at lferrer@myhhanj.com and by phone at (201)-239-214.



Corinne Shaw joined us on April 18, 2022 as the Policy and Public Outreach Analyst. She manages, evaluates, and oversees the implementation of a broad range of outreach and public engagement policies, programs, and activities. Corinne comes to

us with a background in Urban Planning and Public Policy. She works with the executive and management staff to educate and shape organizational culture, practices, and systems within HHA. Corinne is located in the main office at 400 Harrison St. take some time to say hello and introduce yourself to Corinne. She can be reached at cshaw@myhhani.com and by phone at (201)-239-2194.



Becky Espinoza joined us on April 18, 2022 as the main office receptionist. She offers administrative support across the organization. When calling in, Becky is the one likely to be answering your call. she comes with a background in real estate

and she is ready to assist and provide great direction to HHA residents, staff, and visitors. Be sure to stop by and say hello. She can be reached at bespinonoza@myhhni.com and by phone at (201)-798-0370.

REMINDERS:

Non-Smoking: In accordance with HUD's guidelines (24 CFR 965.653) Public housing properties are all smoke free and all residents, guests, visitors, service personnel and HHA staff must be 25 feet away from any HHA property if they are going to smoke. Any reports of smoking in your unit, or not going 25 feet away from your unit will be grounds for termination.

Pet Policy: Limit one (1) cat, dog, twenty-gallon fish tank, or birdcage per Pet Permit. Residents are <u>limited</u> to one (1) dog <u>OR</u> cat per household.

Towing: HHA will remove from property any vehicles without valid registration and inspection stickers, at the tenant's expense.

Work Orders: To schedule an apartment repair appointment, please call your manager's office on the number listed on the back.

The Criminal Policy draft is on our website at https://www.myhhanj.com/hha-policies. We welcome your inputs, comments, and suggestions.

The Hoboken Housing Authority

Andrew Jackson Gardens North

400 Harrison St, (201)-239-2178

Andrew Jackson Gardens South

321 Harrison St, 201-239-2198

Adams Gardens

220 Adams St, (201)-239-2181

Christopher Columbus Gardens

460 8th St and 455, 9th St, (201)-239-2167

Harrison Gardens

320 Jackson St, (201)-239-2167

Monroe Gardens

21 Jackson St, (201)-239-2181

Fox Hill Gardens

311 13th St, 201-239-2180

Main Office

400 Harrison St, (201)-798-0370

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