

Clarksville Housing Authority

A Smoke Free Community



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June 2020



Interim Executive Director Update



The Clarksville Housing Authority is proud to announce the launch of our website www.clarksvillehousing.org on June 1st, 2020. The site is user friendly with several quick links to include a community calendar, resident services, staff members, newsletters, and resident council information. This will be your link to news and information that is important to you. The site will also allow residents to contact the central office, ask questions, and get emergency information. It is a work in progress, and we look forward to any suggestions you may have.

We are still under COVID-19 Quarantine, please follow CDC guidelines, keep your distance, wear a mask when you are out in public, and wash your hands often. There is a drop-box in front of the central office for payments, and of course, you can always call if you have any questions or concerns. Stay safe and healthy.

Property Management Update

- ⇒ The after hours emergency new phone number for all sites is 931-575-1964.
- ⇒ Pest Control Week June 8-12, 2020, for the interior.
- ⇒ Remember to pick up items and trash during the mowing season.
- ⇒ All work orders must come through; the central office residents should not approach the maintenance staff for this request.
- ⇒ All units with indoor furniture on porches will be charged a fee.
- ⇒ Please update all new phone numbers with the Central office.
- ⇒ Pet owners make sure to report pet information to the central office. Owners must clean all pet waste after walking and pets must be leashed while outside.
- ⇒ There are no designated parking spaces for CHA residents; it's on a first-come basis.
- ⇒ All vehicles parked in disabled parking must have a disabled sign visible. Vehicles will be tagged and towed.

The Clarksville Housing Authority
STRONG FATHER'S AND FAMILIES
Free Event
 LIVE PERFORMANCES FROM LOCAL ARTISTS
 FEATURING DJ ENVY
 ALSO...
 ENJOY, FOOD, MUSIC, GAMES,
 RAFFLES, CONESTS, YOUTH
 SUMMER PROGRAM SIGN-UP
 AND HAIR BRAIDING STATIONS

Friday, June 19, 2020
10am UNTIL 3:00PM
Summit Heights Community
Basketball Courts

COVID-19 precautions will be enforced
 mask and gloves provided.
 sallen@clarksvillehousing.org



REWARD!! Crime Stoppers offers up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons involved in a crime. All callers will remain anonymous! Crime doesn't pay! But Crime Stoppers do! 931-645-TIPS (8477)

Tenant Rental and Eviction Rights During COVID-19

COVID-19: What Does It Mean for Tenants?

Info on COVID-19 and housing changes daily. Please come back to keep checking for updates. This info was last updated on April 15th. For more information, please call 1-800-238-1443 or visit las.org.

What do I need to know as a tenant?

- You must still pay rent
- Tenants' rights have not changed because of COVID-19
- Tenants' duties have not changed because of COVID-19
- Your landlord cannot lock you out of your place
- Your landlord cannot turn off your electricity or water
- If your landlord wants to evict you, they still must take you to court

What if I can't pay rent?

You should try to pay your rent. Even though some landlords can't evict people right now, you still owe them rent money. If you don't pay your rent, these things could happen:

- You will eventually be evicted
- Your landlord can report that you aren't paying
- This could hurt your credit score
- Your landlord could sue you for any rent money you didn't pay
- If your landlord wins in court, they could take money out of your paychecks

Can I still be evicted for other things?

Yes. Tenants **CAN** still be evicted if they break the lease another way. You should still follow all state laws and rules from your lease. Just because there is a pandemic, you do not have the right to break the rules in your lease. Want to know what your duties are as a tenant? [Click here for more information.](#)

How soon can I be evicted for breaking my lease for something OTHER than not paying rent?

We don't know. Courts are not having in-person cases for evictions right now. Some judges may start doing video hearings for evictions soon. If they do, then you can be evicted sooner.

Can my landlord charge me late fees?

Maybe. Some landlords are not allowed to charge late fees until July 25th. These are some of the landlords that can't charge late fees until July 25th:

- Public housing
- Project-based Section 8 housing
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit housing
- Rural Development housing
- Landlords with a federally-backed mortgage loan

If you want to know if your landlord can charge you late fees, you can visit one of our legal clinics. Visit LAS.org/phone-clinics for a list of our upcoming legal clinics.

Should I agree to pay my landlord back later?

Maybe. Right now, there are no laws that say rent will be canceled or forgiven. That means you owe rent even if your landlord can't evict you right away. If your landlord is willing to give you time to pay any rent you can't afford right now, that might be a good thing.

What if I make an agreement with my landlord now?

Make sure your landlord agrees to follow new rules as they come out. For example, if the law says you don't have to pay back rent in the future, your landlord should go by the new law.

What if my landlord locks me out or shuts off my utilities?

This is illegal. A landlord cannot force a tenant to move out without using the courts. If your landlord has locked you out of your place or turned off your utilities, call Legal Aid for help.



Can I break my lease and move if I can't afford the rent?

Legally, no. The law says that if you rent a place, you need to stay there until the lease is over. But, you should talk to your landlord. They might let you out of a lease if you can't pay so they can rent it to someone else. You should ask your landlord to let you out of your lease without making you pay a "termination fee."

What if I don't have a written lease agreement?

If you don't have a written lease agreement, you have an oral lease agreement. If you pay your rent monthly, then you have a month-to-month lease. Your landlord can end your lease by giving you written notice thirty days before they want to end your lease.

If you pay your rent weekly, then you have a week-to-week lease agreement. Your landlord can end your lease by giving you written notice ten days before they want to end your lease.



This booklet cannot take the place of legal advice. All cases are different and need individual attention.

Self-Sufficiency Programs Enroll today 931-647-2303 ext. 22

Money Management, Credit Repair and Homeownership



Sign up for online money management and credit repair classes. Email Jessia.Hamel@operationhope.org to register.

Senior & Disabled Services

Senior and Disabled families in need of assistance such as decluttering unit, yard pick up, food services, cleaning services, or companionship. Call Resident Services for assistance.

Braid Certification & Education



Become a Certified Braider. Join Tomika Luster Licensed Cosmetologist Instructor for the next class July 25-26, 2020. Register for the July class today.

This mentorship is for certified braiders **ONLY**. Class time and dates TBA. Call Resident Services for more details.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

**The Clarksville Housing Authority
Enrichment and Certification**



<p>JUNE 19 HUD Strong Fathers and Families "Block Party" Summit Heights 10am-3pm Register for all programs during this event!!!</p>	<p>JUNE 22-26 Art Class DJ Workshops Bike Repair Youth Choir Daddy and Me Yoga Garden Club Friday Field Day Summit Heights Park, 11am-4pm</p>	<p>JUNE 29-30 Youth Field Days Lincoln Basket Ball Courts 11am-4p, Lincoln Homes, 11am-4pm</p>
<p>JULY 6-10 Art Class DJ Workshops Bike Repair Youth Choir Daddy and Me Yoga Garden Club Friday Field Day Summit Heights Park, 11am-4pm</p>	<p>JULY 11 Awaken Church's Serve 2020, Block Party at Lincoln Homes Basket Ball Court, 12pm-4pm</p>	<p>July 13-17 Art Class DJ Workshops Bike Repair Youth Choir Daddy and Me Yoga Garden Club Friday Field Day Lincoln Home, Park 11am-4pm</p>
<p>July 20-22 Art Class DJ Workshops Bike Repair Youth Choir Garden Club Friday Field Day Youth Choir Summit Heights, Park 11am-4pm</p>	<p>Dates TBA Baby Sitter Training ages 13-up. Certified Cater Training for ages 15 and up, Basket Ball Coach Training ages 18 and up. Beauty and Excellence girls ages 12 and up. All classes at Summit Heights Community Room</p>	<p>July 23 & 24 Back to School Bash Lincoln Homes, July 23rd, Summit Heights July 24th, 11am-3pm</p>

Meal Services June 1- July 31, 2020

Youth Meals (ONLY)
Mon-Friday 12:30-1pm
Greenwood Head Start/Chapel & Market, Abundant Life Church Summit Heights & Lincoln Homes, Community Rooms

Meal Service (Everyone)
Wednesday Nights, Lincoln Homes, 61 A Vanleer St, 5:30pm
Thursday Nights, Christ the Healer Church 1295 Paradis Hill Dr, Summit Heights, 5:30pm

June 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <i>Resident Council Meeting 61 A Vanleer St, at 11am</i>	12	13
14	15	16	17 <i>CHA Board Meeting 3pm</i>	18	19 <i>Strong Father's and Families Block Party Summit Heights 10am-3pm</i>	20 <i>Community Clean-Up at Chapel/Market and Lincoln Homes, 10am-2pm</i>
21 	22 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Summit Heights</i>	23 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Summit Heights</i>	24 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Summit Heights</i>	25 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Summit Heights</i>	26 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Summit Heights</i>	27
28	29 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Lincoln Homes</i>	30 <i>summer camp 11am-4pm Lincoln Homes</i>	<p>CHA is providing face mask for all residents. Call Resident Services for your face mask today. Stay Safe!!</p>			

News Flash!!!! July 1, 2020, The CHA newsletter will be posted to www.clarksvillehousing.org website. If you would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, call the central office to request a monthly delivery.

Monthly Clean-up, June 20, 2020, Meet at Chapel and Market park at 10 am. Meet at Lincoln Homes, park at 11:30 am. Clean-up and enter a chance to win a \$45 Walmart gift card.