



Just the Facts Town Meeting – August 19, 2021

Thank you to the residents from the CHA neighborhoods for attending the Just the Facts Town Meeting at the Alcovy Neighborhood. CHA Executive Director, Shamica Tucker, called the Town Meeting to share information on the responsibilities of residents when the Eviction Moratorium expires, Annual Certification and income *reporting* and to alert residents about scams and protecting themselves against identity theft.

Rent Balances & Expiration of the Eviction Moratorium

- There is no truth to the rumor that CHA is maintaining a list of residents for eviction.
- When the CDC Eviction Moratorium expires all balances will need to be paid in full.
- If a resident isn't current at the expiration of the CDC moratorium then they will be in violation of their lease agreement. CHA is then, legally required by HUD, to follow the schedule and policies for evictions.
- The Executive Director encouraged those present to do everything in their power to be paid up in the coming months before the CDC Eviction Moratorium expires on October 3, 2021 and to share this information with their CHA friends and neighbors

Emergency Rental Assistance

- The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) administers the US Treasury's Emergency Rental Assistance program for Newton County. Individuals must qualify for unemployment or have experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19; demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability; and have household income at or below 80 percent of the area median income (AMI). To apply <https://georgiarentalassistance.ga.gov/>

Scams

- Residents are encouraged to be careful about scams that are operating in the community. For example, offering tablets in exchange for personal information or offering to file applications for a fee.
- To protect your family's identity be extra vigilant. Do your homework before giving any information to a non-government agency.
- If you suspect it is a scam contact law enforcement.

Annual Certification – ALL documents to be submitted by August 31, 2021

- It is public information about who received PPP loans, including amounts and dates. Residents must declare PPP loans as income and include business/independent contractor income. Failure to declare this income is fraud and a violation of the lease agreement.
- Stimulus checks are not considered income and don't have to be reported
- Residents are NOT recertified until all documents have been received.
- To complete recertification all household members over the age of 18 have to attend the Recertification Interview and sign the required documents.

Inspections

- Maintenance Manager Anthony Randall noted that damage, which is not normal wear and tear must be repaired and a charge will be put on the residents balance.
- Facilities Maintenance is continuing to work to replace appliances.
- Covid-19 and the recent uptick in cases has put the repainting schedule further behind.

If you have further questions on these subjects please call the CHA office and speak with staff
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