

# Neighborhood News McMinnville Housing Authority



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### From the Office

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We have made some changes here at the office due to the Coronavirus, for your protection and ours. As most of you know by now we have installed a deposit box outside by the front door. You can drop your payments, or other paperwork in the box. You can still reach our office at **473-3286**. The office is closed to walk-ins.

The maintenance department is not doing any workorders unless it is an emergency.

Maintenance is not entering any apartment if someone in the house reports they are ill.

Rent and other charges are still due as usual and warrants will be filed if balances are still owed the month the court reopens to normal business.

A tentative date of June 1 has been set for the building to reopen. However, that date is contingent upon guidelines handed down by the state. If the building reopens at that time, other restrictions may be placed.



McMinnville Housing Authority  
 301 Hardaway Street  
 McMinnville, TN 37110  
**(931) 473-3286**  
 After Hours Emergency:  
**(931) 743-6032**

Office Hours:  
 Monday—Friday  
 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

### Free Gift Card Drawing

McMinnville Housing Authority residents will have a chance to win a free \$25.00 Wal-Mart gift card in July 2020. Each household who does not owe anything at 4:00 p.m. on July 10, 2020 will be entered into the drawing. The results will be posted in our lobby by the end of July. If you do not win, you will have more opportunities later in the year. Please remember to check each newsletter for details of how to get your name entered into other drawings. Good Luck!



Congratulations to Rejeana Morton. She was the winner of the April 14th drawing. We are happy for her.

**ADDRESSES: ONLY residents listed on the current lease can receive mail at one of our addresses and no one else.**

## Helping Others In Time of Need

We are all experiencing a different time than we have ever known. Facing changes everyday with the coronavirus finds some realizing they can use their talents to help where there is a need. Ms. Jackie Perry did just that as she found the shortage of face masks. Ms. Jackie got busy with her sewing machine making masks for family and friends, anybody who asks for one. She wore one to an appointment she had with her doctor and was even asked to make them some. The girls here at the office have some of her masks as seen below on

Lisa. Thanks Ms. Jackie for thinking of others.



## Word on the Street

We heard people in the after school homework club were visited by a Easter bunny, bringing Easter eggs.

I heard that the bunny came back with candy bars later. What a treat, getting a surprise visit like that. Sounds like loads of fun and oh, so yummy.



### SMOKE-FREE Policy

The McMinnville Housing Authority Smoking Policy is now in effect for all MHA homes. Smoking is prohibited within a minimum of 25 feet from any MHA property. Residents, their guest, or visitors are not allowed to smoke in Smoke Free areas.



## News From The Activity Centers

The Activity Centers were also effected by the “coronavirus” .

Ms. Lady had to close, but she stayed busy.

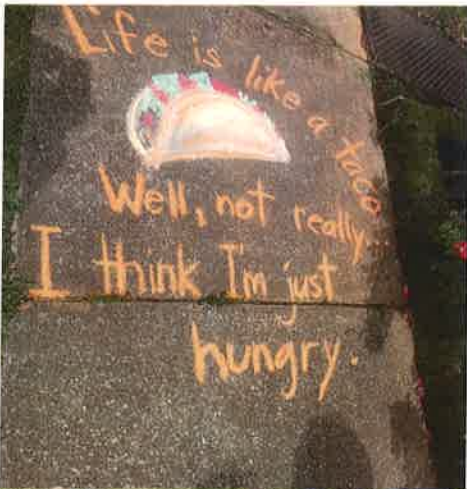
Ms. Lady did chalk art outside daily.

The school system used the location M-W-F and delivered lunch to the children under 18 years of age in front of the building.

They photographed, printed, and framed family/sibling photos for the kids to give their moms.

In the evening Ms. Lady and her volunteers cooked and prepared an evening meal for some 50—60 children at Hamilton St. and Cope St. Activity Centers at 5:00 p.m.. She started the daily kid meals on March 19th thru May 8, 2020. She had help from a McMinnville City Police officer in handing out these meals each evening.

Thanks Ms. Lady for all your hard work and LOVE.



WC School Nutrition Summer Feeding Program  
Beginning May 26, 2020 and May 28, 2020. Starting June 1st: Meals will be served on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week through July 31st from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m..  
Where: Bobby Ray, Dibrell, and Morrison Elementary; WCMS & WCHS  
For all children ages 18 and under. It will be drive-through method at each site. Child does not have to be present to pick up meals.



**BINGO! Senior Adults Bingo will be starting back June 16th, 2020 at 11:30 to 1:30. If we see differently there will be a sign on the Rebel Hill door or feel free to call our office and ask. Ms. Janice is so gracious to give of her time to do this outing for our senior residents. Thank you Ms. Janice.**



## Calendar of Events

June 1st—June Rent is Due  
June 10th—Last day to pay rent before late  
June 21st—Father's Day  
July—1st—July Rent is Due  
July 3rd—Office is closed for Fourth of July  
July 10th—Last day to pay rent before late  
August 1st—August Rent is Due  
August 10th—Last day to pay rent before late charges are added

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### Office Staff:

Patricia Basham: Executive Director  
Pamela Vaughn; Asst. Exe. Director/  
Accountant

Betty Harris: Asst. Admin.

Alicia Bridges: Housing Manager

Sherry Turner: Housing Manager

Marie Padgett: Cashier/Clerk

Karla Sandate: Cashier/Clerk

Todd Robison: Maintenance Supervisor

### Maintenance Staff:

Randy Phillips, Mark Bridges,  
Mike Reynolds, Jeff Bond, Ron Young,  
Ricky Elrod, Billy Taliferro

## Did You Know?

If you have a smoke detector that is going off or any other emergency, you can call our office during office hours at **473-3286** or after hours at **743-6032** and someone will come to your apartment to repair it. Smoke detector failures are considered an emergency. Also, please remember to never disable one. This would result in a violation and a possible eviction.

You will be charged to unstop the commode. Please do not put anything except toilet paper down it.

Mowing season is upon us. We hope this year all residents will make an effort to keep your yards mowed and attractive, free of all trash. If we should have to mow your yard the charge is \$35.00. There is also a charge if we have to pick-up the trash in your yard.

**Please** note that **excess utility bills** are higher during the Summer and Fall months because HUD does not allow Housing Authorities to provide an allowance for air conditioning consumption.

If anyone from our office comes to your apartment when you are not at home, we will lock your door when we leave. Be sure to take a key with you.

When you have a change of income, no matter if you are on flat rent or not, you only have ten (10) days to report it to the main office.

Bug baiting will be done in your area every three months. If the bait is not controlling the roaches, you may have your apartment sprayed. You will have to call the office and let us know that you want it sprayed. Prior to treatment you will have to empty your cabinets.

Please remember to pay your rent by the 10th of each month to avoid a late charge. If the 10th falls on the weekend you will have till 4:00 p.m. the first working day following.