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Message from the Executive Director

As many of you know, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and our housing programs are directly impacted by the partial government shutdown. Subsidy for the month of February is in place, but there is uncertainty in the affordable housing industry for funding after February should the shutdown continue.

Monroe Housing Authority's public housing program is equipped to operate on reserves, which means public housing could operate with little noticeable impact past February. However, should the partial shutdown continue past February, our HCV program (Section 8) funds may be impacted. Residents on our HCV (Section 8) program are strongly encouraged to continue to pay landlords your portion of the rent during the shutdown.

The Monroe Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners and staff are advocating for an end to the shutdown, and diligently seeking solutions to operate with the least amount of disruption to services should it continue.

Any updates we receive will be posted on our website at www.MonroeHousing-NC.com.

FEBRUARY 2019



Dates to Remember

February 1st 5thRent Due
(No Partial Payments Accepted)

February 6th
Late Charges Applied

February 14th
Valentine's Day

February 19th
Last Day to Pay Rent

February 20th
Court Papers Filed

MHA Phone Directory

MHA Main Number 704-289-2514

Work Orders Ext. 21

Public Housing Ext. 31

HCV Program Ext. 30

Emergency Maintenance 704.989.5085



MHA Parking Enforcement

MHA enforces a strict parking policy. All residents with vehicles parked on MHA property must have a parking permit displayed at all times. All cars should pull into a parking space and all vehicles in violation of the Monroe Housing Authority parking policy are subject to being towed.





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Attention Residents!

Please stop pouring FOG down the drain. Pouring fat, oil, or grease (FOG) down the drain can lead to clogged pipes. Instead of pouring it in the sink, empty it into a can and let it cool. Then throw it away. Please be sure to dispose of your FOG properly.

Winter Weather Is Here!

1. Keep snug like a bug - but not

too snug. Winter wear should fit kids properly, but gear shouldn't be so tight that it restricts movement. When sizing shoes, allow



room for an extra pair of socks. When sending kids off to school or out to play, make sure they're dressed warmly in layers that are windproof. Help keep your little ones warm with hats, scarves, and gloves. You can save time while getting your family out the door by storing gloves and scarves inside hats.

- **2. Practice safety when playing winter sports.** Always supervise your child's winter activities. Sledding paths shouldn't be too crowded or too close to roadways. Kids should always wear helmets and gloves and be accompanied by an adult.
- **3. Make your home a safe haven.** Be prepared for unpredictable weather conditions by stocking up on essentials, such as extra batteries for flashlights, bottled water, first aid staples, and nonperishable food items.
- **4. Get your kids prepared.** Make sure your kids have tissue packs and hand sanitizer tucked into their book bags. These necessities come in handy and will help prevent the spread of germs.
- **5. Heat your home safely.** Before temperatures fall below freezing, make sure your home's heating equipment and your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors function properly. Keep space heaters away from small children. And don't forget to discuss fire safety with your family each winter; the likelihood of indoor fires increases during the colder months, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

Community Meetings

Grace Gardens Location: 750 Maurice St. Community Room Time: Thursday, February 14th, 2019 at 2:00pm

Willow Oaks Location: Willow Oaks Community Room
Time: Tuesday, February 5th, 2019 at 5:00pm | On site Office Hours: 1:00 4:00pm

West Ridge Location: 1201 A Boyte Street Community Room
Time: Thursday, February 21st, 2019 at 2:00pm | On site Office Hours: 1:00 4:00pm

Serenity Place Location: 624 N. Bragg Street Community Room Time: Monday, February 11th, 2019 at 2:00pm | On site Office Hours: 1:00 4:00pm