



CUMBERLAND HOUSING

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Monthly Newsletter for May 2018

RAD Update

The Cumberland Housing Group has received news that the funding of the RAD program for the improvements at John F. Kennedy Homes does not look favorable as it has been compiled. Therefore we will need to work on some alternative methods of financing and ways to decrease our cost of renovation. Due to the delays that will occur with this, we will begin to fill the vacancies at this site immediately with the elderly having priority.

Fort Cumberland Homes is still being evaluated with the current cost of improvements right at the limits for making the financing deal work. We are continuing to work on this RAD conversion and improvement plan.

Exterminator Schedule

May 3rd	Queen City Towers – Morning John F. Kennedy – Afternoon
May 10 th	Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 7 – 17
May 11 th	Jane Frazier Village, Buildings 1 – 6 & Banneker Gardens
May 17 th	Fort Cumberland Homes

Jane Frazier Community Center

During the month of April, the Center got a facelift. The walls were painted, tables scrubbed, new chairs were purchased, new windows were installed and the doors were painted.

We ask that anyone that uses the Center, to please clean up when done and put your trash in the dumpster.

No Smoking Policy

If you have not signed the No Smoking Lease Addendum, you need to do so by May 15, 2018. Failure to sign the addendum, your lease will not be renewed.

Getting Ahead Program

Congratulations to Jaime Thomas for being chosen as a facilitator for the Getting Ahead Program thru the Bridges to Opportunities program. Ms. Thomas will be the co-facilitator for the Getting Ahead Program that will be held at Jane Frazier Community Center this summer.

Looking for an opportunity to Get Ahead?

Join a small group of people once a week for 20 weeks (or twice a week for 10 weeks). Transportation and child care are available if needed.

This class will help you build resources and the skills to get out of poverty. Your experience in this class will help you address challenging situations such as employment, transportation and childcare. Share your experiences. Build your resources. Create a new future.

If this sounds like something you are interested in or want more information, please contact Jaime, call 240-964-8422 or go to www.bridges2opportunity.com. Class dates, times and locations vary. Class dates for Jane Frazier are June 19th to August 23rd. Classes are every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:15 AM to 11:45 PM.

Banneker Garden Residents

The tentative schedule for sealing and striping the parking lot is May 10th and 11th, weather permitting. This would mean that all vehicles will need to be off the lot by 6:00 a.m. on May 10th and cannot return to the lot until after May 12th. This also includes the alley behind the dumpsters. Any vehicle in the parking lot while it is being repaired will be towed at the owner's expense. Areas will be roped off to prohibit access. Do not remove the barriers. If the weather changes these dates, you will be notified.

Vehicle Registration

Reminder - All residents are to register their vehicle with the Housing Authority Office. You will need to submit proof of registration of the vehicle and a description of the vehicle. Any vehicle that is not registered will be towed at owner's expense! Furthermore, each time you get another vehicle, you have five (5) days to register the vehicle.



Spring Improvements

Now that we have moved into better weather, the Cumberland Housing Group has begun several improvement projects which we would like to share with you.

Jane Frazier Village:

1. The playground located by the community room will have the mulch removed and a new permanent surface material installed
2. The community room has been repainted, new windows installed, new adult chairs and children's furniture have been purchased and several other improvements have been completed
3. The replacement of walks will be continuing on First Street in front of Buildings 10 and 17, including the steps to the units as well as possibly Building 1.
4. The dumpster pad at Building 17 will see a complete renovation and the one at Building 10 will receive some minor improvements
5. A transit bus shelter will be installed at the corner of Memorial and Second Street next to Building 13. A development sign will also be installed

Fort Cumberland Homes:

1. Work has or will begin soon to excavate the area behind Buildings 1, 2, 7 and 12 for the creation of two separate playground areas. One area will be for toddlers and the other for elementary age children. New playground equipment has been purchased and a permanent cushioned surface will be installed.

Queen City Tower:

1. Several improvements have been made to the exterior landscaping
2. A paver patio has been installed near the covered pavilion
3. A new project sign will be installed on the Green Street side
4. A transit bus shelter was installed at the corner of the property on Lee Street next to Sheetz
5. New benches will be installed under the covered pavilion
6. New light poles will be (or have been?) installed in the area of the front of the building

Banneker Gardens:

1. A new walk will be constructed from the area of 312 to 322 where the current path is
2. New grass or established sod will be placed in areas where no grass exists, especially in the area of the playground
3. Two new benches will be installed at the playground
4. The parking lot will have some areas repaired and then will have a seal coat applied
5. A project sign and some decorative fencing will be installed between 302 and the community room next to Frederick Street

The Cumberland Housing Group will continue our efforts to remove all yard fencing, clotheslines and storage sheds at both Jane Frazier Village and Fort Cumberland Homes, as we have been doing over the past few years. The Cumberland Housing Group will be responsible for mowing and weed eating all areas which are not fenced in. As the fences are-removed, these areas will become common areas.



All Housing Authority Offices
Will be Closed
May 28th In observance of
Memorial Day



**Queen City Tower and John F. Kennedy –
Guest Speaker for May 2018**

**Queen City Tower – Thursday, May 10, 2 p.m.
John F. Kennedy – Wednesday, May 16, 2 p.m.**

Our presenter will be Pastor David Ziler, Executive Director of the Union Rescue Mission of Western Maryland. He will educate the residents about the primary services provided at the Union Rescue Mission: three meals a day to the hurting in Cumberland, emergency shelter to the homeless population, and food and clothing to the needy as well. He will also speak to the residents about how donations can make a huge impact in helping the needy in our community.

Bible Study

John F. Kennedy

May 11, and May 25 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Queen City Tower

May 12, and May 26 – 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Blood Pressure Check

John F. Kennedy

May 2, and May 16 – 2:30 p.m.

Queen City Tower

May 10, and May 24 – 2:30 p.m.

**Queen City Tower Prayer Group
Every Tuesday, at 2:00 P.M.**

The Resident Council voted to have a Prayer Group at Queen City Tower as a means of bringing our community together in a positive way. The group, which is open to all residents, is an opportunity for people to share concerns, encourage each other, and to lift our needs to a higher power. We invite all residents to attend this group every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. for fellowship and light refreshments. Jennifer Lewis will facilitate the group. We hope to see you there.

**Game Night at Queen City Tower and
John F. Kennedy
Every Tuesday at 6 p.m.**

All residents are welcome to participate in game night that will be held every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the community room. We look forward to an evening of fun, so please join us!

John F. Kennedy – Rhonda Roy - Game Leader
Queen City Tower - Patricia Bane – Game Leader

**Queen City Tower - Crochet Group
Fridays at 3 pm
All Welcome!**

Resident Council Meetings

Queen City Tower – Thursday, May 10 at 3 p.m.
John F. Kennedy – Wednesday, May 16 at 3 p.m.

Resident Councils serve as the voice of the residents at each public housing development. As a resident, you are automatically a member of your Resident Council. Your Resident Council needs your participation. The most important person in the Resident Council is you!

Partnership For Affordable Foods (PAF)

(A lot of food for a small price!)

John F. Kennedy will be collecting for the PAF program on **Friday, May 4, 2018, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Monday, May 7, 2018, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** in the community room. There is a \$7 donation in order to receive the food and it must be paid on the dates above. Distribution will be on Thursday, **May 10, 2018**, at approximately 11:15 a.m. Residents who donate the \$7 must be in the community room by **11:45 A.M. on Thursday, May 10, 2018**, to pick up the PAF order or the items will be forfeited.

TEFAP – Free Government Foods

The food will arrive on Tuesday, May 1, 2018. It will be best to try to pick it up on May 2, 2018. The sooner you pick the food up after the 2nd, the better chances you have of being able to get the food. You can pick up the TEFAP at the sites listed below. Call first before going to make sure they still have food available

Dan Snyder, Hope Station, 632 N. Centre Street ... 240-362-7168 ... Monday through Friday, noon - 4 pm

You need to take your photo identification card or driver's license with you and your Food Stamp Card.

Interfaith Food Pantry (HRDC Head Start Building), 301 Cumberland Street ... 301-707-4445 ... Monday through Friday, 10 am to 3 pm

Karen Wells, Salvation Army, 701 East First Street...

301-777-7600 ... Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 12 noon and 1pm to 3:30 pm



Rabies Vaccination Clinic

Allegany County Health Department
Sunday, May 20, 2018
1 pm - 3 pm
\$5.00 per animal

According to Maryland law, all dogs and cats 4 months old or older must have valid rabies vaccinations. Please ensure all animals are contained within a carrier or on a leash. For further information about the clinics, call the Environmental Health Division at 301-759-5038 or 301-759-5040.

Installing Air Conditioners at Jane Frazier Village & Fort Cumberland Homes

As a reminder, when you install your air conditioner this summer it must be properly installed, secured and proper side panels used. Pillows, blankets, bags, cardboard, etc. is not permitted. Also, per the lease, "bedrooms with only one window at these developments cannot have a window air conditioner at any time due to the fire marshal requirements of that window being used for an emergency exit". If you have any questions, please contact the Maintenance Department at 301-724-2055.

Hope Against Heroin Kids Group

*Mothers Day Get Together
Wednesday, May 9th ...6 PM - 8PM*

*Jane Frazier Village
Community Room
Arts, Crafts, Snacks and a
Surprise for Mom. All are welcome.*

Need Help to Quit Smoking?

Are you or someone you know trying to quit smoking? Did you know there are 2 FREE ways to quit? Just call the Allegany County Health Department at 301-759-5050 or Maryland's Quit line at 1-800-784-8669.

HOPE Station Offers Second Food Program "Pantry on the Go"

This program is once a month and is open to any Allegany County resident that is in need of food.

Upcoming dates:
May 19th and June 16th
Starts at 12:00 Noon

For more information, contact HOPE Station at 632 N. Centre Street, Cumberland or call 240-362-7168.

Are You a Victim of Domestic Violence?

If you or someone you know is in a Domestic Violence situation and needs help, please call the Family Crisis Resource Center Hotline 301-759-9244 for assistance.



**Banneker Gardens
Resident Council Election**

***We need your vote ***

Votes are due for Banneker Garden Resident Council by May 3 @ 1:30. Tallying of votes and meeting will follow.

Congratulations


Class of
2018

Y Kids Project - 5PM - 6PM
Jane Frazier Village May 7, 14, & 21st
Banneker Gardens May 9, 16 & 23rd

Family Literacy Night

Everyone is Welcome for dinner, craft and a free book! 6PM - 7PM

Jane Frazier Village May 10th
Banneker Gardens May 17th

**CENA Meeting
(Cumberland Eastside Neighborhood Association)**
Banneker Gardens Community Room
May 21st 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Luau Kids Night May 1, 2018 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM Chick-fil-A, Country Club Mall

Aloha kids, put on your grass skirt, Hawaiian shirt and flip-flops and catch a wave to Chick-fil-A in the Country Club Mall for Luau Kids Night on Tuesday, May 1st, 5 - 7 pm! Be crafty making a tropical sun catcher! The first (200) kids will receive a floral lei and a beachy tattoo! Bring your camera to capture a surfs up photo with the famous Chick-fil-A Cow! Plan to attend and experience the tropics with our Chick-fil-A in the Country Club Mall team!

Look at Me...Hula Hooping! May 4, and 11th 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Flow with certified HoopLove coach Des Bullard as she introduces hoop play and collaborative hoop art! Allegany Arts Council **Members \$5/ Non Members \$10**

Mother Son Date Knight May 10th 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM Chick-fil-A, Country Club Mall

Mothers, you and your sons are cordially invited to a special evening at Chick-fil-A in the Country Club Mall, Mother Son Date Knight. A medieval night of honor, chivalry, delicious food and fun...together! Bring your camera to capture a memorable photo. Enjoy VIP seating and table side service. Share together a fun table activity and each guest will take home a dinner favor. Don't miss this memorable night for moms and sons.

Make your reservation today! RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY at: chickfila.ccm.events@gmail.com (Deadline to reserve is, May 5th. Please leave your Name & a call back Number as well as your preferred Seating Time. Your reservation isn't confirmed until you receive a confirmation email from the event coordinator.) VIP Seating times are: 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 and 7:00 PM. (Seating times are on a first come basis per email and seating is limited.) Guests are responsible for meal purchases and coupons are not valid at this event.

Family Fun Night May 11, 2018 - 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

The Arts Council encourages families to enjoy opportunities to play and create together. Family Fun Nights take place monthly. Family membership holders receive FREE admission. Admission for nonmembers is \$10 per family. The themes of these fun night range from Art to Science and from Dance to Poetry. Come play with us!

Family Paint Party May 12, 2018 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Looking for something to do with the kids? Check out our family Friendly Paint Party at Mountain Shine Creative. These events are geared towards the children and include a 8x10 inch canvas. They may choose to follow one of our children's designs or free paint. The best thing about these events are we clean up the mess and provide all the supplies. Adults are welcome to purchase a seat to paint also. They can paint a children's or adult theme of choice. If an adult would like to upgrade to our 11x14 canvas rather than the 8x10 it is \$30 instead of \$15. Bring a friend, or the whole family. Makes for a great memory you get to keep forever.



Cumberland Housing Event and Activity Schedule

May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 TEFAP Free Govt. Food Arrives at Sites Prayer Group @ QCT 2 pm Game Night @ JFK & QCT 6 pm	2 Blood Pressure @ JFK 2:30 pm	3 Exterminator QCT (AM) - JFK (PM) <i>Inspect JFK 3rd Floor</i> <i>Inspect QCT 2nd Floor</i>	4 JFK PAF Collection 3 pm Crochet Group @ QCT 3 pm	5
6	7 JFK PAF Collection 3pm Y Kids @ JFV 5	8 Prayer Group @ QCT 2 pm Game Night @ JFK & QCT 6 pm <i>Inspect FCH Bldg 6</i>	9 Y Kids @ BG 5 Hope Against Heroin Mothers Day JFV @ 6	10 PAF @ JFK 11:15 am Exterminator JFV - Bldgs 7-17 Guest Speaker @ QCT 2 pm Blood Pressure @ QCT 2:30pm Resident Mtg @ QCT 3 pm	11 Exterminator JFV 1-6 & BG Crochet Group @ QCT 3 pm Bible Study @ JFK 6:30 pm	12 Bible Study @ QCT 6:00 pm
13	14 Y Kids @ JFV 5	15 Prayer Group @ QCT 2 pm Game Night @ JFK & QCT 6 pm <i>Inspect JFV Bldg 10</i> <i>Inspect BG 101, 102,103</i>	16 Guest Speaker @ JFK 2 pm Blood Pressure @ JFK 2:30 pm Resident Mtg @ JFK 3 p.m. Y Kids @ BG 5	17 Exterminator - FCH BG Literacy Night @ 6	18 Crochet Group @ QCT 3 pm	19 Spa Day @ QCT for Women 1pm
20	21 Y Kids @ JFV 5 CEINA @ BG 7	22 Prayer Group @ QCT 2 pm Game Night @ JFK & QCT 6 pm	23 Y Kids @ BG 5	24 Blood Pressure @ QCT 2:30 pm	25 Crochet Group @ QCT 3 pm Bible Study @ JFK 6:30 pm	26 Bible Study @ QCT 6:00 pm
27	28 Memorial Day	29 Prayer Group @ QCT 2 pm Game Night @ JFK & QCT 6 pm	30	31		
		Notes JFV Literacy Night 5/10 @ 6 T Shirt Design Contest JFV 5/7 @ 3:30 BG 5/9 @ 3:30 FCH 5/10 in 9A @ 3:30				

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As a reminder, a copy of the Inspection will be left in your unit for your information. If any repairs need to be done, maintenance will be returning within 20 days to complete the repairs.

JFV - Jane Frazier Village FCH - Fort Cumberland Homes JFK - John F. Kennedy QCT - Queen City Towers Insp - Preventive Maintenance Insp

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