

# RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

Housing Authority of Murray

February 1, 2019



## Housekeeping Inspections

**February 26<sup>th</sup>**-Nash, 9<sup>th</sup>, Broad & Lafollette

**February 27<sup>th</sup>**- Ash, N. Cherry, Pine, Spruce, L.P. Miller, N. 1<sup>st</sup>, Chestnut and re-inspects

## Policy Reminders

**NO** rent amount will be given out over the phone. Come to the office if you need to get the amount or wait for your statement in the mail.

The Housing Authority of Murray is a **smoke free** facility. Smoking in your residence is a direct violation of your lease. Three (3) smoking violations will result in eviction.

**Community Service:** Be sure that the office has a copy of **each new SNAP benefit letter** to maintain your exemption status.

**Any** overnight guest who plans to visit for longer than 3 days is to have **written permission** from the office.

**DO NOT** feed stray animals.

If you suspect you have **bed bugs** you must notify the office **immediately**.

Allowing a **banned individual** to visit your residence is grounds for eviction.

## Pest Control

**February 6<sup>th</sup>:** Riley Court, Hurt Dr. and Fairlane Dr.

## Maintenance Notes

The holiday season is **over** please be **prompt in removing** the **seasonal decorations** from the windows and porches of your residence.

**Please keep** porches, yards and sidewalk areas in front of your residence **free of trash and clutter**, this **includes** cigarette butts. We take pride in keeping our areas looking nice. **Toys/bicycles** are to be stored in the **back** of the unit.

Due to colder temperatures **do not turn your heat off**, or set it below 60 degrees.

All your water hoses **must be unhooked** and your spigot turned completely off. If you fail to do this and the pipes burst you will be responsible for the damages.

Residents **are responsible** for clearing walkways, porches and steps of ice and snow.

If your trash can is full and the **lid is open** the garbage truck will not stop and pick it up.

If a call is made to the After Hours **EMERGENCY** number and it is not an emergency there will be a \$25 fee charged to your account. Call the office phone and leave a message. A work order will be placed the following business day.

## *IMPORTANT REMINDERS*

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- **Rent is due on the 1<sup>st</sup>. No rent is taken after 3:30 p.m.**
- **Late fees will be applied on Friday February 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.**
- **Late fees are: \$30 for rent and \$20 for cable.**
- **After hours drop off is available through the slot on the front door.**
- **The office will be closed February 18<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day.**
- **The office will be closing at 2 p.m. on February 20<sup>th</sup> for a monthly staff meeting.**
- **Work orders can be submitted on our website [www.phamurray.org](http://www.phamurray.org).**
- **If you suspect any criminal activity on HAM property contact the Murray Police Department at 270-753-1621.**

# Government Shutdown Ends

Jan 29, 2019

The historic government shutdown ended Friday night (Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>) after Congressional leaders and the White House came to a deal to pass a short-term spending bill that expires on Friday, February 15.

The measure provides backpay to federal workers, and should provide the Department of Housing and Urban Development funding for March and April even if the federal government shuts down again in three weeks.

Housing Authority Executive Directors sent more than 3,300 letters to Congress and the White House demanding an end to the shutdown and to restore funding to critical housing programs.

Many affected federal workers were featured in national and local news stories about the impact of the shutdown. If the government shuts down again, your concerns should be communicated to Congress. Contact information is available at our main office.

**Residents of the Housing Authority of Murray** should not fear losing their housing, and will see no change in services, or change in our hours of operation at this time. If a new spending bill is not approved and there is another shutdown, we will keep you posted by mail, and our Facebook page regarding any impact you may experience.

## Parking

- **Do not park** in front of **trash cans**. It blocks the trash can from the sanitation trucks.
- **Do not block** any **handicap** access from the street to sidewalk.
- **Do not park** on the **sidewalks**. This is a **city ordinance** and **you can be** fined as well as your vehicle towed at your expense.
- **Be courteous of your neighbors**. If you have guests over please have them park in a nearby parking area instead of the space in front of your neighbors unit.