

PCHA APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER

SPRING IS HERE!!

MOWING SEASON WILL BEGIN SOON!!

**PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS ARE
PICKED UP IN THE YARDS.**

Including dog ties, toys and animal waste. Please make sure your yard is free of trash and yard waste.

This will make mowing much easier for the maintenance crew if they do not have to stop and pick up items in the yards.

Please do not stop our maintenance crew while they are mowing, weed eating or blowing grass. This is dangerous for the tenant and for our workers.

If you need a work order, call the office. If you are unable to reach someone, please leave a message.



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TRAILER SCHEDULE

BARRY

APRIL 2-15

NEW CANTON

APRIL 18-22

PLEASANT HILL

APRIL 25-29

PITTSFIELD

LANDESS

MAY 2-6

EAST ADAMS

MAY 9-13

GRIGGSVILLE

MAY 16-20

PERRY

MAY 23-27

BAYLIS

MAY 23-27



ONGOING ISSUES AT PCHA

SMOKING IN OR AROUND UNIT

This problem is discussed on a daily basis. It is in every issue of the newsletter, gone over at lease signings, the No Smoking lease addendum is signed by every member of the household over 18, yet this problem continues.

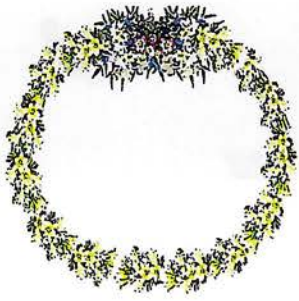
WE ARE SMOKE FREE

This means NO SMOKING in unit or within 25 feet of the PCHA buildings. It is very easy to tell if you are smoking in the unit. If we know you are smoking in the unit, we will issue a smoking infraction. If you get 3 smoking infractions, you will receive a termination for non-compliance.

PCHA is a FEDERAL property. Marijuana is a substance the State says is legal, it is not legal ON FEDERAL PROPERTY. No exceptions. If you have the substance in your vehicle on the property this is not allowed. If you are caught with marijuana on the PCHA property, it is a 3 day eviction. NO exceptions.



Cigarette butts are being thrown all over yards and parking lot.
Please dispose of properly.



ONGOING ISSUES AT PCHA

Tenants abandoning units...

There has been an up-rise in the number of tenants that are leaving units with no notification. These units are in horrible condition. Couches, beds, dressers, clothing, toys, food left in pantries and refrigerators, trash and garbage left on floors, waste and dirty diapers, animal waste, all of these items are left for our maintenance crew to pick up and dispose of.

When this happens, we are charging \$50.00 per haul off load. If your left behind items fill an entire dumpster, the dumpster charge will also be added to your account. Any and all damages from abandoned units, including damage from smoking inside the unit will be charged. We will pursue payment on the account. You will be liable for all court costs.

We do require a 30 day notice for move outs. If a 30 day notice is not given, the \$300.00 deposit is forfeited. If you are not in the unit for 1 year, the deposit is forfeited.

There is no reason for the units that are cleaned and repaired before you move in to be completely destroyed. Our lease clearly states that the units and yards need to be kept in an orderly state. Every adult (18 and over) has signed the lease.

In home inspections will be starting in May, if we see units in bad condition, we will be taking action. While PCHA does not expect the units to be spotless, it does expect them to be free of noxious odors, debris, garbage, clutters, mounds of dirty dishes, dirty stove, dirty refrigerators, etc. If you have pets, we do not expect to find urine and feces in the interior of the unit or significant damages caused by the animals. We also do not expect to find pet waste NOT being picked up in the yard.

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Make sure to always *sign your name on the check or money order on the front lower right hand side.*
You do not sign the back of the check or money order.
If we receive them unsigned or incorrectly fill out, we will return them to you by mail.



Don't
Forget!!

**Rent is due in the office on
or before the 25th of EACH MONTH.**

If the payment is not received by that date, a \$25.00 late fee will be added to your account.

Pay with check, money order, or debit/credit card (\$3.00 fee will apply).

WE DO NOT ACCEPT CASH!!

In home inspections

begin May 2022.



In order to get ready for in home inspections,
here are a few tips to help declutter your home.

The reason decluttering seems so hard is because we have to have the motivation and the right mindset. We tend to keep a lot of sentimental and "someday" items. The easiest way to declutter your home is to narrow down all the things to get rid of.

If something is broken or expired...GET RID OF IT.

ITEMS TO THROW AWAY

- *Samples of products
- *Old make-up
- *Old washcloths
- *Empty bottles
- *Old toothbrushes
- *Old sponges or loofahs
- *Old hair brushes
- *Old sheets
- *Stained pillowcases
- *Clothes that don't fit (donate)
- *Clothes that have stains
- *Old throw pillows
- *Broken hangers
- *Old magazines
- *Socks and gloves without mates
- *Chipped dishes
- *Old spices
- *Junk mail
- *Burnt baking pans
- *Old calendars
- *Plastic lids with no matching containers
- *Old travel mugs
- *Old pens
- *Take-out menus
- *Old throw blankets
- *Old shoes
- *Dead plants
- *Old stuffed animals
- *Old wrapping paper
- *Used up coloring books
- *Old video games
- *Old brooms
- *Storage totes full of junk
- *Used boxes



New Policies Acceptance Form

4/5/2022

This form is in regards to the policy revisions recently passed by the Pike County Housing Authority (PCHA). All of the policy revisions were done in order to be consistent with HUD updates and/or to improve the operations of PCHA.

The policy revisions were approved as drafts at PCHA's 12/21/2021 Board meeting. The policy revisions were then available for review by requesting copies, online at www.pikehousing.com, and at PCHA's Community Building located at 842 Mason Street, Barry, Illinois. After a 30+ day comment period, a public meeting was held on 2/11/2022 at the PCHA Community Building on the policy revisions. There was no attendance at the public meeting for the policy revisions and no comments were received prior to the public meeting. As a result, the policy revisions were ratified as final at PCHA's 2/23/2022 Board meeting.

The policy revisions went into effect immediately for each household after the final approval.

No tenant is grandfathered in to the old policies.

Policy Revisions affected were:

**Repayment Agreement Policy & Repayment Agreement
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Policy
Tenant Charge List
Admissions & Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP)
Dwelling Lease**

Per PCHA's policies, each tenant household must indicate acceptance of the policy revisions.

Each tenant household has 30 days to return this document accepting the above policy revisions and the incorporation of the policy revisions into each tenant household.

Failure to accept the policy revisions will leave the tenant household subject to termination for good cause in accordance with the policies in Chapter 13 of PCHA's ACOP.

In the space below, to indicate your acceptance of the policy revisions, please write the address of your apartment and all household members 18 and over must put their name, sign this document and date it.

Apartment address: _____

Name Signature Date

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PUZZLE : SHADES OF BLUE WHO KNEW??

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ADMIRAL

AZURE

CAROLINA

COBALT

DENIM

IRIS

MIDNIGHT

OXFORD

PRUSSIAN

SKY

STEEL

AIR FORCE

BABY

CELESTE

CORNFLOWER

EGYPTIAN

LAPIS

NAVY

PEACOCK

ROYAL

SLATE

STONE

ARCTIC

BERRY

CERULEAN

CYAN

INDIGO

MAYA

OCEAN

PERSIAN

SAPPHIRE

SPRUCE

TEAL