

Abilene Housing Authority

Special points of interest:

- ◆ Manager's Corner
- ◆ Renter's Insurance
- ◆ February Children's Dental Month
- ◆ Income Tax Time!!

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Housing Happenings

Well it's here again; Income Tax Season Time! There are various tax preparation sites in Abilene that prepare your income tax preparation and filing free.

Abilene Public Library Downtown , 202 Cedar
No appointment needed
Friday & Saturday
10:00—3:00 pm.

Abilene North Library 1214 N. Mockingbird
No appointments needed
Friday & Saturday
10-3 pm



ABILENE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Taxpayers, Please Bring With You:

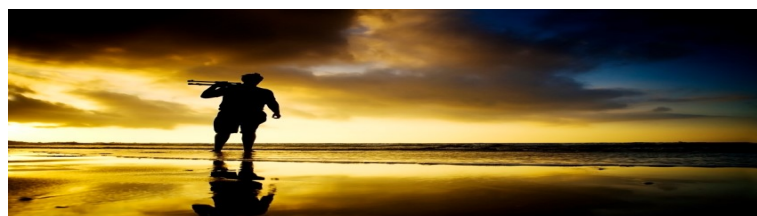
- ◆ Social security cards for each person named on return, including children
- ◆ Drivers License/ID
- ◆ 2014 Tax Documents including all W-2 forms
- ◆ All 1098 & 1099 forms

- ◆ Receipts for charitable gifts, medical expenses (including medical insurance), college expenses and child care expenses
- ◆ Blank check with routing number and account for direct deposit



Our Mission Statement:

The Housing Authority's mission is to service the housing needs of low-income families in the Authority's jurisdiction in order to enhance self-sufficiency and promote community quality of life and economic viability.





Exterminations:

24—Deegan/Riviera

27—E.W. Williams/Office

28—Vogel

Current RAB Members:

Kathleen Ritz

Bernita Wright

Mary Garcia



February Events



- ◆ 1—Rent Due! the NCCIL, 102 Cedar St. Create a work of art for FREE. 1pm-4pm
- ◆ 5—Last day to pay rent without the \$15 late charge (if the 5th is on a weekend, rent is due before 8:00am on Monday)
- ◆ 14 Valentines Day
- ◆ 18 Presidents Day
- ◆ Every Thursday-Free Admission at the Grace Museum 5-8pm.
- ◆ Every Tuesday-Jazz Night at Monk's Coffee Shop, 233 Cypress, 8:30pm-10pm. Free
- ◆ Family Fun Saturdays at

What is RAB?

RAB stands for Resident Advisory Board. The Resident Advisory Board is made up of residents from Public Housing and residents from Section 8. These residents reflect and represent the residents assisted by the Abilene Housing Authority. The role of this board is to assist and make recommendations regarding the development of the PHA plan and any significant amendment or modifications to the PHA Plan. We

want YOUR Input!

Interested?

Call Tanya —676-6032



Resident Council

This is a council consisting of only residents from public housing. Unlike RAB, Resident Council is a tenant association geared towards the revitalization of public housing. The Resident Council exists to make public housing better. With a Resident Council, people can come together and get things done, get things changed!

Now, we all know that there are some things that cannot be changed. However, we are dedicated to making changes that will bring improvement.

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Participation in RAB and/or Resident Council

counts toward Community Service Hours





Family Self-Sufficiency Program

Family Self Sufficiency Program... An opportunity to become self sufficient by increasing earned income

The FSS Program helps family's currently under the HCV or Public Housing program take the steps to find and maintain stable employment and establish savings account that will lead to self sufficiency. Participation is voluntary. If you choose to partici-

pate, you will sign a 5 year contract and develop a plan. After you sign the plan, it is up to you to work toward you goals. AHA establishes an interest bearing escrow (savings) account. As you work towards your goals, and your earned income increases, AHA makes contributions to this account .

If you complete your FSS goals and contract, you receive a check equal to

the amount in the FSS escrow account. Participants use their savings for buying cars, paying for school tuition, down payment for a home and credit repair. For More Information contact Lacey Lacaze at 676-6385.



In order to change we must be sick and tired of being sick and tired.
Author Unknown

Renter's Insurance

As a resident of Public Housing, you may want to consider purchasing renter's insurance.

- ◆ Renter's insurance is a form of insurance that covers a policyholder's belongings against perils such as fire, theft, wind-storm, hail, explosion, vandalism, riots, and oth-

ers. It also provides personal liability coverage for damage the policyholder or dependents cause to third parties. It also provides additional living expenses, known as loss-of-use coverage, if a policy holder must

move while his or her dwelling is repaired. It also can include coverage for property improvements. Possessions can be covered for their replacement cost or the actual cash value that includes depreciation. (Insurance Information Institute)

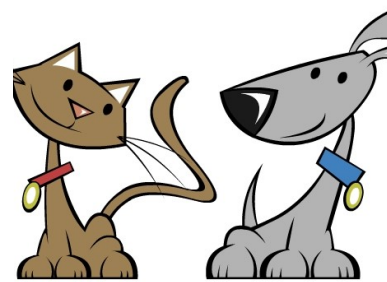
Additional information is available in the PH Office Lobby!

Manager's Corner

The lease states that tenants will not keep pets such as dogs, cats or other animals anywhere in the complex unless the pet has been registered with and approved by the PHA and the family has executed a formal pet ownership agreement.

If management determines that a tenant has a pet that has not been approved, the tenant will receive a notice and/or a lease violation advising them of steps

required in order to be in compliance with the lease.



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Happy Birthday



CLAYTON, JAY'VON
CLOVIS, NIYERA
ESTELA, HATANGIMANA
GALLEGOS, ROSEANGEL
JANE, HAKIYIMANA
JONES, RAYMOND
JONES, PRINCESS
JOSEPH, NIKIZA
KANEZA, JOLIE
KARNLEY, ZOE
KLEINER, TYLER
KWIZERA, MAURICE

LAWRENCE, CALEB
NDELA, PRINCESS
RODRIGUEZ, JEANETTE





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**Relay Services
711 or 1-800-
RelayTX**



Office Hours:

**Monday-Friday,
8:00am-5:00pm**

**Closed from
12:00pm-1:00pm
for lunch**

Abilene Housing Authority Office Personnel

Executive Director—Gene Reed

Housing Manager—Amy Pugh

Assistant Housing Manager—Jason Moore

Resident Services Coordinator—Tanya Johnson

Housing Counselor I—Veronica Berube

Crew Chief—Mario Najera

Maintenance—Onecimo (Mo), Chris, and Earl

Equal Opportunity Employer/Equal Housing Opportunities

