

# NHA Today

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2025

**COME JOIN US!** On the second Monday of every month the Newport Housing Authority Resident Advisory Council meets. Our next meeting will be at the Rhea Mims Hotel **Monday, March 10, 2025**, at 4pm. Remember, the council represents you the tenant. So this is your time to voice concerns, share ideas or just meet new friends. Pot Luck will now be prior to the Resident Council Meeting. Call Tenant Services at (423) 532-8001 for more information. So, everyone come and bring a dish. We look forward to seeing everyone there!



## Wise Words from Walter From the desk of Walter Cole, Executive Director

We will be mowing soon. So, let's make sure that we get our yards cleaned up. **Store your items in your storage building not behind your unit.** Only outdoor items can be stored outside and they must be on your porch, not in the yard. This will be enforced. If we have to move or pick-up items in your yard to mow, such as trash, dog chains, kids' toys, or anything else whether or not it's yours, you will be charged for this as well as any damage it may cause to the mowers. This also includes animal/dog waste. Being a responsible pet owner, you must pick up your dog poop and no dumping of cat litter on the property. Trash in parking spaces and cigarette butts in front of your house is considered trash too. I will be going around with maintenance personally and if we have to pick up trash out of your yard, you will be charged. Let's take some pride and make our community look good.

Sincerely,

*Walter L. Cole*

Executive Director



## **RENT PAYMENT THINGS TO REMEMBER**

Please make sure to put your rent payments in the drop box the **entire** month. No payments will be processed at the front window. We have tried to clearly mark where payments go. But as always if you have questions please don't hesitate to call us at (423) 623-1575.

- **Do not leave blank checks, money orders or cash in the payment drop box.**
- When paying your rent, your filled out money order or check must be placed in the payment drop box. A receipt will be mailed back to you.
- If someone is paying rent for you, then they will need to make sure your name and/or address is listed on the check or money order. Or, place the payment in a sealed envelope with your name and address on the outside.
- **PRINT CLEARLY** on the check or money order.
- If you think you may be late with your rent payment for whatever reason please call Cindy at ext. 4 to make arrangements.
- The easiest way to remember how to fill your money order out no matter where you purchase it at is:
  - \*Pay to the order of will be: **NHA**
  - \*In the "for" section: **Print your address**
  - \*Make sure to **sign** the money order as purchaser. **Do not sign them on the back.**



*The greatness of a community is most accurately  
measure by the compassionate actions of it's members*  
**Coretta Scott King**

*Tenant Services is still here for you. If you need information on support groups, food distribution services, or help offered in our community please don't hesitate to call us at (423) 532-8001 on Mondays 9am-12pm and we will be more than happy to assist you.*



**FROM THE DESK OF ANDREA TAYLOR, HOUSING MANAGER**

A few reminders.....

- Now that spring is getting closer and closer, I'm sure that everyone will want to be outside more. Please keep the following things in mind to make your community beautiful.
- Chairs and other furniture on your porch must be intended for outdoor use. No indoor furniture will be allowed. Swings and chairs must be on the concrete and cannot block your walkway.
- Toys and bicycles must be put away when not in use. You can store them on your porch so long as it doesn't become cluttered. Or you can store them in your storage building. Do not put them up against the side of your unit.
- Basketball goals are not allowed. Please visit the park or playground nearest you and remember to clean up your trash when you visit any NHA playground.
- Do not throw out food of any kind. This includes leaving food out for animals, pets or birds.
- Grills must be placed on your porch or in your storage building when not in use. Make sure that when you grill you grill out in the yard and once the grill has cooled down you put it away.
- Sidewalk chalk cannot be on the structure and this does include your porch. If your child plays with sidewalk chalk you are responsible for cleaning it up.
- Flowers are to be kept in pots and the pots must be kept on your porch. Flower beds must be approved by the NHA and will need to meet certain conditions such as it must have a clearly defined border that is not wood. If you have a flower bed that is not approved or it does not meet certain conditions it will be removed at your expense.
- Solar lights are allowed only in flower pots not lining your sidewalk.

If you have any additional questions, feel free to contact me at (423) 623-1575 ext. 3.

Sincerely,

*Andrea E Taylor, PHM*

Housing Manager



## FROM THE DESK OF MELISSA VENERABLE, OCCUPANCY COORDINATOR

- **Annual recertifications are conducted IN OFFICE. Your appointment time along with a check list of items you need to provide will be sent to you. If you need to re-schedule for good reason then please contact me PRIOR to your appointment. And don't forget to bring all your documents with you to your appointment.**
- If you have a checking or savings account please provide a COMPLETE bank statement and not an account history. They are not the same things.
- Remember that you must report your income and family composition changes within **14 calendar days**. You can do this by calling the office at (423) 623-1575 ext. 2 and explaining to me what happened. If you are emailing documents make sure to explain whether you have rent increase or decrease.
- If you fail to report an increase of wages within the 14 calendar day period, a retroactive rent charge will be charged to your account. This is the difference in the amount of rent that you were charged as opposed to the amount of rent that you should have been charged. If your retroactive rent exceeds \$2400.00 you will be required to find housing elsewhere.
- If you have not reported any decrease in wages you will not be given any credit for the months that your rent should have been reduced.
- If you have questions, you can call me at extension 2 or you can reach me by email at [mvenerable@nhatoday.com](mailto:mvenerable@nhatoday.com). I look forward to meeting everyone!

Melissa Venerable,  
Occupancy Coordinator

### A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING FOR EVERYONE!



Don't forget that our Bryant Town Boutique is open on Wednesdays 10am to 4pm. We also have a boutique located at 375 Alex Street that is open on Mondays 9am to 12pm. There's lots of good stuff at both locations and it's FREE! Be sure to stop by and see us. We look forward to seeing you!

OUR NEXT **BIG EVENT** AT THE  
**ALEX STREET BOUTIQUE**

WILL BE:

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**  
**FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.**

WE WILL BE FEATURING ALL THINGS  
**“CHILDREN”**

**TOYS, CLOTHING, BOOKS AND MORE**

WE ALSO HAVE A LOT OF NEW AND  
**GENTLY USED MEN'S CLOTHES**

**EVERYTHING IS:**

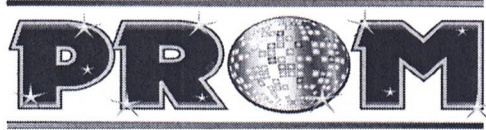
**FREE FREE FREE**

**(TO ALL NHA TENANTS)**



# NHA's "Great PROMise" 2025

Let the NHA Assist or Help You For



## Ladies

- Find that Perfect Dress
- Makeup Application
- Fix Your Hair
- Accessories
- Pictures



## Gentlemen

- Low Cost Tuxedo Rentals
- Suit Jacket Assistance
- Dress Shoes
- Corsages
- Pictures

For all Juniors and Seniors that live in the Newport Housing Authority. We understand that the PROM can be very expensive and stressful. The NHA wants to help make sure that your PROM is special. The NHA can't guarantee that everything will be free, but we will do everything that we can to try to help make it a night to remember.

More Information on how we might be able to help their PROM be special, call 423-532-8001

Cocke County's Prom

May 3, 2025

Cocke County High School

**-High School-**

**-Date-**

**-Location-**

Cosby's Prom

April 12, 2025

The Ridge in Sevierville



# March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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## Trash Pick Up

### Days:

**Monday:** Larmie, Musterfield, Gregg Lane, Lamons Graham, Nutmeg, Alex, Cooper, Lamaster, Driskill, Whitson, Harper, Briggs, Swagerty and Lennon.

### Ban List Additions

\*A copy of the full list is located at our website [nhatoday.com](http://nhatoday.com) as well as our Main Office.



Scan for complete Newsletter

2	3-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 9am-12pm	4	5-Bryant Town Boutique Open 10am-4pm	6	7-Rhea Mims 12pm Bingo	8-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 10am-4pm
9	10-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 9am-12pm Rhea Mims Hotel Resident Council Pot Luck & Bingo	11	12-Bryant Town Boutique Open 10am-4pm	13	14	15
16	17-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 9am-12pm	18	19-Bryant Town Boutique Open 10am-4pm	20-Swannsylvania	21-Rhea Mims 12pm Bingo	22
23	24-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 9am-12pm	25	26-Bryant Town Boutique Closed	27	28	29
30	31-Tenant Services Mini Boutique Open 9am-12pm					