



Meadow Park Apartments



February Resident Newsletter

Big Rapids Housing Commission Meeting

The Big Rapids Housing Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2021, at 9 a.m. with meeting details to be determined. Agendas will be posted at the main office, Housing Commission Facebook page, and laundry rooms when available.

Rent is due by Wednesday, February 10, 2020. Late fees will be assessed at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2020.

Income

"I agree I must immediately notify the Landlord or cooperative when there is a change in my gross income or adjustment to income of \$100 per month or when there is a change in the number of persons living in the household. I also understand that failure to report such changes may result in my losing benefits to which I may be entitled or may result in the Landlord/Cooperative or Agency taking corrective action if benefits were mistakenly received.

If your income changes more than \$100 per month you must contact the office as soon as possible.

Illegal Drug Use

Please be advised that Meadow Park Apartments prohibits the use of all illegal drugs including marijuana, regardless if you have a medical marijuana card. Marijuana is still against federal law and therefore not allowed in any of our apartment complexes because our funding and/or rules are federal. **If you believe illegal drug activity is occurring, please contact the office at (231) 796-8689.**

Free Tax Preparation - UPDATE

At this time it is unknown whether the AARP Foundation Volunteer Tax Program will be able to prepare taxes. If the program opens the information will be in the local newspaper and we will post it on our Facebook page. It will be mid to late February before any further information is known. You may contact RSVP at 231-796-4848 to be placed on a waiting list. Mid Michigan Community Action Agency is offering a tax preparation service via phone/mail/fax. Contact 231-660-0227 for more information.

COVID-19 Operations Update

Big Rapids Housing Commission continues to take extra precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Community rooms and the lobby will remain closed for the safety of all residents. Please make sure you continue to call in all repairs (work orders), however, work orders will be completed as necessary only. Before a maintenance person enters your apartment to complete a work order, we will ask if you or anyone in your household is sick. As a precaution we are asking residents to leave your apartment if possible or move to another room during the completion of the work order.

Rent is still due and payable by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021, however if you have a loss of income and cannot pay rent due to this crisis you must contact the office for additional instructions. If you are signed up for electronic rent the rent will transfer on February 5, 2021 as normal. Residents can put their rent and other items in the tenant drop box which will continue to be checked on a daily basis.

Snow Removal Reminders

Just a friendly reminder: A contractor will plow parking lots and sidewalks after the conclusion of each snow fall. It is necessary for you to move your vehicle out of the lot and park it on the street in order for the maintenance to properly plow your lot. We cannot guarantee a time when the contractor will be at your parking lot, however, the sooner everyone moves their vehicle out of the lot, the sooner your lot will be plowed. Feel free to call the office when the lot is empty.

Be prepared to move or have someone move your vehicle on snow days so all the parking areas may be plowed properly.

Keep all vehicles back as far as necessary to keep the front bumper from hanging over the sidewalk so as to avoid personal injury of the pedestrian traffic and assist the maintenance personnel in the snow removal from the sidewalks.

Any vehicle improperly parked, inoperable or unlicensed will be tagged and towed after 48 hours at the owner's expense. (Only 12 hours will be given for vehicles that do not move for snow removal).

Reminder!

Wipes are not flushable! Even if the package claims they are sewer safe and flushable, they **ARE NOT**, and this eventually leads to clogged sewer lines. A charge will apply if personal wipes are found to be the cause of your sewer back up.

