



July Resident Newsletter

June 28, 2019

The Big Rapids Housing Commission prohibits the use of all fireworks at all of their properties. Residents are encouraged to contact the office to report any violations during the day and to contact the police if it is after hours.

Independence Day – Office Closed

The Housing Commission Office will be closed **Thursday, July 4, 2019** in observance of Independence Day.

Upcoming Meetings

Cancelled for July
Tuesday, July 9, 2019, 3:30 p.m.
Cancelled for July

Big Rapids Housing Commission Meeting
Resident Council Meeting
Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Rent is due on July 1, 2019. Late fees will be assessed at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 8, 2019.

Signatures Needed

If your apartment # appears on this list please stop by the office to sign your completed rent review. 1B 1D 3D 4A 4B 5C 5D 7D 17A 104E 105B 110B 113F 119C 120C 121B 122E 123A 123E 124B 124C 125C 126C 126D 127A 131B 131E 131F 132A 132D 135D 135E

Speed Limit



The speed limit in the complex is 10 MPH and will be enforced in the best safety interest of the children and adults in the complex. We have had complaints that people are driving too fast through Evergreen.

Summer Reminders

Please move patio furniture, tables, toys, etc. when you see the mowers around the complex. Also, please remind your children not to leave food wrappers and debris on the lawn or hang on the clotheslines and to respect neighbors' personal property and belongings.

Water keys are available in the office for the outside faucets. The cost is \$4.00.

To avoid high water bills, we continue to limit water use.

1. Sprinklers (for children to play in) can be used for 1 hour every day.
2. Kiddy pools can be filled once every day. Pools are limited to 20 gallons.
3. Watering (plants, flowers, etc) is limited to 15 minutes.

Pools are to be emptied after use. Residents are prohibited from leaving pools up overnight due to safety issues. IN ADDITION, RUNNING TOILETS, DRIPPING SINKS, AND TUB FAUCETS NEED TO BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO THE OFFICE FOR REPAIR.

Bikes on Parkview Drive

Please be reminded not to ride bicycles on the sidewalk in the senior sections for safety reasons.

Security Cameras For your protection we have installed security cameras throughout the Big Rapids Housing Commission complexes.

Reporting Income Changes

Please be reminded that you must come into the office to report **ALL** income changes within 10 days for **ALL** adults in your household, 18-years old and older.

Resident Council Picnic – All Residents are welcome to attend!

On Saturday, August 10, 2019 the Resident Council will be hosting a Country Western themed picnic from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the South Parkview Village Senior Section near building 25. In case of

rain, the date will be postponed to Sunday, August 11, 2019. Refreshments and hot dogs will be served along with Country Western music. This is a great opportunity for residents to meet the Resident Council Officers. Feel free to bring a dish to pass, a lawn chair and please remember to put your name on dishes you bring. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**

Resident Council Yard Sale – Highrise Garage

The Resident Council will be having a yard sale on Thursday, July 11, 2019 and Friday, July 12, 2019. Please feel free to bring in donations to the Big Rapids Housing Office. They are accepting clean clothing and miscellaneous items.



Reminder – Flammable Liquids

Please remember that propane tanks, charcoal lighter fluid or any other flammable product must be stored in your shed.

Playground Policy

To avoid injuries on the playground children are required to follow the playground rules. Children below the age of thirteen (13) must be supervised at all times, including while they are on the playground. The playground areas are open for play during daylight hours. To avoid injuries these areas are prohibited at **9:00 p.m.** or dark, whichever comes first.

We have received several complaints that young children are playing outside unsupervised at both Evergreen Village and Parkview Village Family Sections.

Lawn Maintenance

Please assist the maintenance staff with maintaining the lawns and remind children not to leave wrappers and debris on the playground and surrounding area. It is your responsibility to remove bikes, children's toys, grills and other outside items from the lawn. Non-compliant residents will be tagged and the items will be removed at the resident's expense. Any flowerbeds that are not being properly maintained by the residents will be mowed down.

Pet Policy Reminders

Please be reminded that according to the Pet Policy all dogs and cats must be on a leash when not in owners' apartment. The leash must be no longer than 4 feet. Pets cannot be tied up or left unattended at anytime on Housing Commission property. Also, you must clean up after your pet immediately.

Electronic Rent Program

Let us show you how you can sign up for the Electronic Rent Program and save time and money.

Smoke Free/Flame Free/Burn Free

Please be reminded Effective August 1, 2018 the Big Rapids Housing Commission became a Smoke Free Property. **All residents, guests and employees are prohibited from smoking on Big Rapids Housing Commission property. The policy also bans candles, incense and e-cigarettes.**

National Night Out – Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 6 – 9 p.m.

The National Night Out Committee is looking for volunteers to run games at this year's event, which will be held at the Big Rapids Department of Public Safety on August 6, 2019. This is a great family event and also a great way to earn community service hours. Please contact the Housing Commission office if you are interested in volunteering.

Lost & Found

An I-pad was found at Evergreen on June 25, 2019 and is in our office. 2 sets of keys and an old blackberry phone have also turned into the office. Please contact the office for more information.

Attention Family Residents

Please prohibit your children from playing on and sitting on top of the picnic tables. There has been damage to the picnic tables from this issue.

Evergreen Renovations

RJ Lott Contracting will begin the renovations of buildings 126, 127, 128, 129, 131 and 132 this month. These residents will receive additional information once the work has been scheduled.

Job Opportunity

RJ Lott Contracting is looking for a laborer to assist with the renovations at Evergreen Village. The laborer will assist them with light demolition and cleanup while they are here. **You must be a resident to apply.** Applications are available at the Housing Commission Office.

Bed Bug Monitors

The monitors that are installed in your apartment must be kept in place at all times. You will be charged \$5.00 per monitor for any damaged or removed monitors.

Maintenance Treatment for Bed Bugs

The Housing Commission has contracted with Rose Pest Solutions to inspect all apartments for bed bugs, inspect and/or install monitors on all the accessible beds and couches, and spray the door jambs and doorways throughout the apartments. Residents will receive an additional notification. This is the tentative schedule for this month:

| Apt # | Date | Apt # | Date | Apt # | Date | Apt # | Date |
|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| 20C | 7/10/19 | 23B | 7/17/19 | 26A | 7/24/19 | 28C | 7/31/19 |
| 21A | 7/10/19 | 23C | 7/17/19 | 26B | 7/24/19 | 29A | 7/31/19 |
| 21B | 7/10/19 | 24A | 7/17/19 | 26C | 7/24/19 | 29B | 7/31/19 |
| 21C | 7/10/19 | 24B | 7/17/19 | 27A | 7/24/19 | 29C | 7/31/19 |
| 22A | 7/10/19 | 24C | 7/17/19 | 27B | 7/24/19 | 30A | 7/31/19 |
| 22B | 7/10/19 | 25A | 7/17/19 | 27C | 7/24/19 | 30B | 7/31/19 |
| 22C | 7/10/19 | 25B | 7/17/19 | 28A | 7/24/19 | 30C | 7/31/19 |
| 23A | 7/10/19 | 25C | 7/17/19 | 28B | 7/24/19 | 30D | 7/31/19 |

Residents with allergies will have an opportunity before the treatment date to notify the office if anyone residing in the apartment has asthma/respiratory ailments or sensitivity to petrochemicals. Do not call now.
You are required to contact the office immediately or within 24 hours if you suspect you see a bed bug or other vermin in your apartment.

**The Big Rapids Housing Commission
would like to wish you and your family a safe and happy 4th of July.**

