



# MEADOW PARK APARTMENTS

## *September 2023 Newsletter*



The Big Rapids Housing Commission office will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023, in observance of Labor Day.

Have a wonderful holiday!

Rent is due on September 1, 2023. Late fees will be assessed at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, September 11, 2023.

### **Big Rapids Housing Commission Meeting**

The Big Rapids Housing Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room.

### **Electronic Rent Program**

Are you tired of writing a check every month? If so, electronic rent is available! Stop by the office to complete our Electronic Rent Enrollment form. You will need your bank routing number, account number, and account type. (Checking or savings)

### **NO Cash Reminder**

We do not accept cash in the office, and we are not able to make change either.

### **Student Eligibility Reminder**

According to the rules and regulations attached to your lease:

9. Resident acknowledges that the apartment premises are operating pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program. There are specific qualification restrictions with respect to occupancy of program units by full time students. Resident acknowledges that qualification to remain as a resident is at all times dependent upon the household meeting all student status requirements. Resident agrees to notify Landlord immediately of any change in student status by any member of the household.

### **Downtown Farmer's Market**

The Farmers' Market is located at 226 N. Michigan Ave. Hours are as follows: Tuesdays – May 24<sup>th</sup>- September 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. & Fridays - May 6<sup>th</sup> – October 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Project Fresh coupons are accepted here.

### **Big Rapids Community Library**

Big Rapids Community Library has a Homebound Delivery Program. If you are unable to travel and would like to sign up for the book delivery program, please call 231-796-5234. Deliveries are the first full week of the month on Thursday and Friday. They are also looking for volunteers to help deliver books.

### **Friendly Reminder**

Please remember to lock your apartments and vehicles.

### **Angels of Action-**

The Angels of Action Literary in Action tutoring center is available for reading and math help. It is open Monday through Thursday, by scheduled appointment. There is an application process, and it is open to Mecosta/Osceola County students between 1st grade- 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Angels of Action has a mobile food pantry scheduled for Saturday, September 23rd, at 10:00a.m./9:00am, at the Mecosta County Fairgrounds. Anyone is welcome to utilize this pantry. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. and it is first come, first serve (up to 150 families).

### **Local Resources**

Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency (231) 660-0271  
Community Mental Health (231) 796-5825  
Project Starburst (231) 796-5342  
Meals on Wheels (231) 972-2884  
Manna Pantry (231) 408-2940  
Michigan Works (231) 796-0049  
Legal Aid (888) 783-8190  
Angels of action (231) 629-8140  
Salvation Army (231)-796-5597



### **Band of Locals Labor Day Arts, Crafts, and Food Festival – Monday, September 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.**

The Band of Locals, a community and small business organization, is excited to announce the Band of Locals Arts, Crafts, Food Festival which will be held on Michigan Avenue, in Downtown Big Rapids, on Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

You'll find unique hand-crafted items, original artwork, amazing food from local restaurants and vendors, live music in Pocket Park, and so much more!

### **Big Rapids Department of Public Safety**

**Dog Walker Watch Training** is open to all Big Rapids residents as well as those who walk in/through Big Rapids. During training, we will show you what to look for and make sure you know who and how to call if you see something that police need to check on. We will also share some safety tips for you and for your pet. It is not required that you have a dog to participate in this training, and in fact, training is for humans only. Anyone who walks and is interested in learning more about what to do to improve personal safety and recognize crime risks in the community is welcome to attend!

If you are interested in attending the Dog Walker Watch training, please e-mail [wsell@bigrapidsdps.org](mailto:wsell@bigrapidsdps.org) with your name, address, telephone number, and email address, or call Officer William Sell at 231-527-0005.



### **Coffee With a Cop**

On Friday, October 6th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the Big Rapids Department of Public Safety will be hosting another Coffee with a Cop event at the farmers market in Big Rapids. The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve by removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood. Please join us out there for some good coffee and great conversations!!