September 2024

Quarterly Newsletter



Share Your Feedback on Fair Housing

The County of Alameda, as lead agency, and with multiple participating jurisdictions including the Housing Authority of the City of Alameda have formed a regional collaborative for the purpose of completing an Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing. The Regional AI is a five-year plan covering 2025 through 2029. Your feedback on potential actions to be taken under the plan to address fair housing concerns is requested!

Here's how you can help: 1) attend a community meeting and/or 2) complete an online survey by September 13, 2024. These meetings will be facilitated discussions around the draft report findings, proposed actions to address them, and other ways we can address fair housing concerns and opportunities. The meetings will be held September 10 through September 12. A complete schedule of meetings and a link to the survey will be posted on AHA's website at www.alamedahsg.org

Job Fair at South Shore Shopping Center

Please mark your calendars on Tuesday, September 24, the City of Alameda will be hosting its annual Autumn Job Fair at South Shore Shopping Center (across from Trabocco Restaurant) from 2pm to 4 pm. Tons of ready to hire employers will be present. Bring your resume. Consult with your LifeSteps staff member for interview and resume preparation.

Tablet Rental Program

Residents of Independence Plaza, Esperanza Apartments, Littlejohn Commons, Rosefield Village, and Anne B. Diament can borrow an Android tablet for two weeks at a time via the Tablet Rental Program. Please contact the Property Manager or LifeSteps staff at any of these communities to borrow a tablet. Only residents at these properties can borrow the tablet for personal use and/or to complete their AHA recertifications.

Free Membership at Alameda Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club of Alameda is more than just a place for recreation for kids ages 6 through 18. Young people can participate in activities and experiences that enrich their lives and they learn the skills needed to achieve academic and professional success. The best part is that membership to the Alameda Boys and Girls Club is FREE for all AHA households. To register your child (or children) for FREE at the Alameda Boys & Girls Club, please contact: Noelle Marchetti (510) 522-4900 x108 or nmarchetti@alamedabgc.org

Free Scholarships (financial assistance) for Youth Recreational Programs

The City of Alameda Recreation and Parks department (ARPD) offers financial assistance for youth programs offered by ARPD. The actual financial assistance awards will vary between 25% to 75% of program cost. If you want more info regarding the Financial Assistance Program, please contact Alameda Recreation and Park Department Staff at 510-747-7529 or send an email to: arpd@alamedaca.gov.



Property Manager Contact Information for AHA Residents

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Property	Property Manager	Email Address	Phone
Anne B. Diament	Nicole Bobbitt	Nicole.bobbitt@fpimgt.com	(510) 521-3117
China Clipper	Willie Daniels	Willie.daniels@fpimgt.com	(510) 995-8651
Eagle Village	Tanea Campbell-Allen	Tanea.campbell-allen@fpimgt.com	(510) 227-5704
Esperanza	Willie Daniels	Willie.daniels@fpimgt.com	(510) 995-8651
Everett Commons	Kimberly Watkins	everettcommons.cd@fpimgt.com	(510) 217-8683
Independence Plaza	Christina Soto	independenceplaza.cd@fpimgt.com	(510) 865-7288
Littlejohn Commons	Tanea Campbell-Allen	Tanea.campbell-allen@fpimgt.com	(510) 239-4030
Parrot Gardens	Tanea Campbell-Allen	Tanea.campbell-allen@fpimgt.com	(510) 995-8341
Parrot Village	Tanea Campbell-Allen	Tanea.campbell-allen@fpimgt.com	(510) 995-8341
Rosefield Village	Tanea Campbell-Allen	Tanea.campbell-allen@fpimgt.com	(510) 227-5704
AHA Scattered Sites	Kimberly Watkins	ahascatteredsites.info@fpimgt.com	(510) 217-8683
AAHC Scattered Sites	Kimberly Watkins	aahcscatteredsites.info@fpimgt.com	(510) 217-8683

AHA Housing Programs Staff Contact Information

Annual Recertifications & Interim Adjustments

Tenant last names starting A - HENN	Corliss Glanton	(510) 747-4309	cglanton@alamedahsg.org
Tenant last names starting HENO - OT	Jo Ann Harris	(510) 747-4329	jharris@alamedahsg.org
Tenant last names starting OU - Z	Minh Hoang Pham	(510) 747-4347	mpham@alamedahsg.org

Portability / Eligibility

Tenant last name starting A - M	Dee Dee Adeosun	(510) 747-4319	dadeosun@alamedahsg.org
Tenant last name starting N - Z	Simone Kittles	(510) 747-4301	skittles@alamedahsg.org

Housing Program Dept Supervisors

Housing Programs Supervisor	Komal Goundar	(510) 747- 4367	kgoundar@alamedahsg.org
Assistant Director of Housing Programs	Ronaldo Babiera	(510) 747- 4331	rbabiera@alamedahsg.org

AHA's Ombudsman Program

The Housing Authority of the City of Alameda Ombudsman is a solution-oriented community resource available to all AHA tenants, AHA program participants, AHA landlords, and other community organizations that represent AHA tenants or clients. AHA tenants, AHA program participants, and AHA landlords are encouraged to first call their designated AHA contact person before contacting the Ombudsman Program. Ombudsman Program contact info is (510) 747-4358 / ombudsman@alamedahsg.org.



Important Information for Housing Program Participants

Online Recertification: Rent Café enables AHA participants (or their family members) to complete annual recertifications online via cell phones, tablets, laptops, or desktop computers. Participants can upload proof of income, assets, or other recertification documents directly via Rent Café. AHA staff are currently offering participants in-person and online assistance with completing the recertification process. Assistance can also be provided over the phone and LifeSTEPS staff can also assist with recertifications. Note: Started on January 1, 2024, all adult household members must attend the re-exam meeting in person at our offices at 701 Atlantic Avenue. AHA participants will be sent notice of such a meeting in writing.

Rent Café Website Link: The Rent Café online system can be accessed via this link: https://recertification.alamedahsg.org/.

Rent increase/decrease (interims): Log in to Rent Café and click on "Report A Change" to complete a rental payment adjustment. Documents can be directly uploaded into Rent Café for efficient processing of your interim request.

Informal Hearings: To request an informal hearing, please call (510) 747-4322.

Termination: If you received a lease termination notice or have given your landlord notice, contact your Housing Specialist. If you have received a termination of assistance notice, please follow the directions in the notice.

HQS Inspections: Please note HQS inspections are actively occurring at all AHA properties. Participants in the assistance programs may have annual or triennial inspections, depending on the type of program assistance they receive.

Maintenance/Repairs: Consult your lease for contact info or contact your property manager. Translation: Translation is available for free in all languages. Call 510-747-4300 for assistance. Reasonable Accommodations for persons with disability: Send email to ra@alamedahsg.org or call (510) 747-4326.

Notice to Live in Aides: If you are an approved Live In Aide (LIA) in a Housing Choice Voucher household, this is a reminder that you can be removed at any time by the voucher holder and if that happens you must leave the property. If the disabled voucher holder you are assisting passes away, you must also leave the property. Please note you are not a tenant and have no continued right to reside in the property if the LIA relationship is ended by the voucher holder, or by the Housing Authority. The voucher holder is responsible for communicating changes regarding the LIA to the Housing Authority. However, if the voucher holder passes away or is absent from the unit for more than 30 days, the LIA must report this to AHA promptly.

Social Services are available: These social services are provided at no cost to voucher holders and AHA tenants plus family members living in their households. Contact the LifeSTEPS team at:

- -Angel Reyes (Family and Scattered Sites): (510) 410-0161 / areyes@lifestepsusa.org
- -Trevor Jackman (Rosefield Village): (510) 566-3706 / tjackman@lifestepsusa.org
- -Raquel Ellis (Seniors): (510) 306-8033 / rellis@lifestepsusa.org

Get Connected to AHA

AHA encourages all AHA housing program participants and tenants and to stay connected with AHA by either signing up for email newsletters at www.ahagroup.click or following AHA on social media (Facebook and LinkedIn).



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AHA Main Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am to 3pm

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Program

Become the next remarkable success story in the FSS Program by achieving long-term career goals and economic independence. The Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) program is for individuals that have a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) or Project-Based Voucher (PBV) with the Housing Authority of the City of Alameda. The FSS Program is designed to assist families and individuals in becoming financially stable by providing individualized case management services plus financial incentives. Participation in the FSS program is voluntary and requires a five-year personal commitment by participants. The FSS program emphasizes employment, career development, education, training, and credit readiness. For more info, call (510) 747-4331 or visit: https://www.alamedahsg.org/housing-programs/family-self-sufficiency-program/