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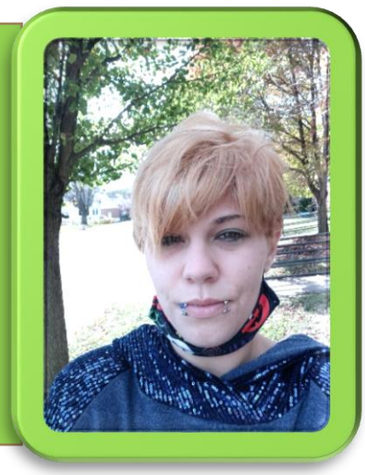
Resident Services

Community News

Resident Spotlight

This month we would like to acknowledge one of our Latonia Terrace residents, Kayla Reynolds. Ms. Reynolds is an active participate in many of our Resident Services programs and has made great strides in accomplishing her goals. She recently earned her Kentucky Essential Skills Certificate, started a new job, is enrolled to begin CET in December, and just joined our FSS program. We are always in awe of everything that Ms. Reynolds can achieve in such a short time and are proud to be able to accompany her on her journey.
Congratulations on all your achievements, Kayla! We know there are many more to come.



City Futures

Without a doubt, 2020 has been a year full of changes. These shifts have caused immense stress, pressure, and forced many to become creative in how they maintain a sense of normalcy in their day to day life. Many times when people are put in places of extreme pressure, an overwhelming sense of resilience develops and becomes part of their character. This same circumstance has been the reality for City heights residents. Forced to adapt to an ever-changing world, this year has felt anything but a walk in the park. Working alongside many City Heights residents, the team at City Futures recognizes the strength and tenacity of their customers. Whether this looked like achieving full-time employment or completing a training program, City Futures customers have not slowed in their eagerness to achieve their desires. The City Futures team acknowledges and honors the perseverance of their customers. They wish all the best to the residents of City heights during this Holiday Season and hope that each person can find rest and rejuvenation; even if it looks different this year.

STEINFORD TOY FOUNDATION

If you filled out the **Steinford Toy** application to receive gifts for your children, stay tuned for distribution details! If you have any questions please contact **Jon Adkins** at **859-655-7316**.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for 20 seconds or hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home if you are sick
- Practice social distancing (at least 6 feet)
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others
- Clean/disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces daily

COVID-19 Free Drive Thru Testing Site
St. Elizabeth Drive Thru – Atlantic Corporate Center
25 Atlantic Avenue
Erlanger, KY 41018 1-800-737-7900
Monday – Friday 8am – 2:30pm

City Heights Community Update

Please join us for our next round of resident meetings regarding the future of City Heights!

Meetings will be held **12/1/20 – 12/3/20**, with make-up meetings scheduled **12/4/20**. Meetings will be held **5:00-6:00pm and 6:30-7:30pm** all 4 days.

Due to the rise in COVID cases and the Governor's restrictions on large meetings, seating is limited to the first 20 attendees to allow for staff presenters. Each session will target households by name. For example, on 12/1/20, from 5:00-6:00pm, tenant invitations may target those with last names from A-D only.

Watch your mailbox in the coming days for more details!

ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE AT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COVINGTON, WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON AND A PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

5 TIPS FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR REFRIGERATOR

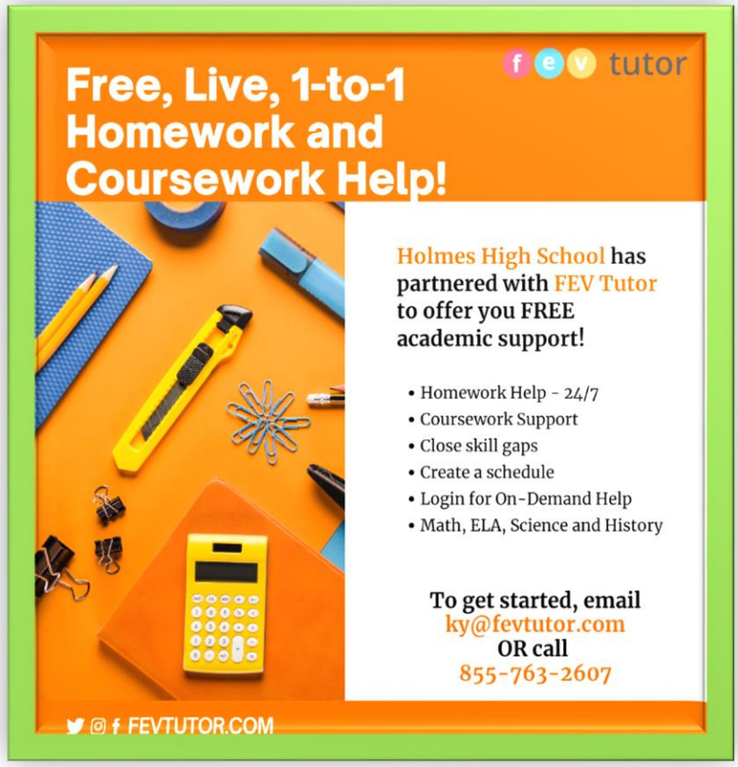
1. **Check the door seals.** A loose seal allows cool air to seep out, wasting energy and causing your fridge to work harder than needed. First make sure the seals are free of food residue. (Clean them about twice a year, using a toothbrush and a solution of baking soda and water).
2. **Keep the coils clean.** When the condenser coils are covered with the dust, the refrigerator can't run efficiently. Twice a year pull the fridge from the wall to reveal the coils in back (or snap off the grille, if the coils are on the bottom front), unplug the refrigerator, and vacuum with the brush attachment.
3. **Set the right temperature.** Keep the fridge between 37 and 40 degrees Fahrenheit and the freezer at 0 degrees.
4. **Fill it up.** Refrigerators need "thermal mass" (a.k.a lots of stuff) to maintain low temperatures. Cool foods and drinks help absorb warm air that streams in when you open the door. If you're fridge is too big or you don't have enough products in it, store a few jugs of water or empty bottles in there.
5. **Be prepared.** If the power goes out, keep the doors closed and use foods from the pantry. An unopened refrigerator will keep food safe for four hours; a freezer will maintain its temperature for 48 hours if full and 24 hours if half-full.

SCHOOL AND TECH SUPPORT

Homework and Tech Support will still continue in the **City Heights rec hall Tuesdays and Thursdays 1pm – 2:30pm**. This will continue while virtual learning is mandatory for all school aged children. Teachers within CIPS will be here to assist. Bring your tablets and/or packets and let us help!

Latonia Terrace residents please contact Trish Begnoche @ 859.655.7317 to set up an appointment.

Please note school support will not be available during Winter Break



Attention Golden Tower Congregate Meal Recipients

Congregate meals will be distributed on **Tuesday, December 22nd** from **11am – 2pm** for the week of Christmas and **Tuesday, December 29th** from **11am – 2pm** for the week of New Years.

Want to be more involved in your community?

Join us for the Resident Council meetings this month:
City Heights: **December 8th 6pm**
Latonia Terrace: **December 7th 6pm**
Golden Tower: **December 21st 5pm**

COVID-19

If you have been laid off from your job due to COVID-19, please contact the Re-Certification Specialist @ 859.491.5311.

Holiday Office Hours

Please be advised that **all** Housing Authority of Covington offices will be closed on the following days to celebrate Christmas:
Thursday December 24th
And
Friday, December 25th

WIFI USAGE

Free WiFi has been up and running since mid-September in the **City Heights** and **Latonia Terrace** communities. Please remember if you are having trouble connecting, please contact **Cincinnati Bell Tech Support @ 513.566.3804**

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