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# From the Senior Manager, Joan Campbell, CPM

Dear Residents,

We are in the dog days of summer. Please be cautious when outside during this very hot weather. Stay cool and stay safe

### FACE MASKS

Face masks are REQUIRED in all common areas. Governor Hogan announced effective Friday July 31, 2020 Face Masks were required in public spaces in all businesses. We have had this policy for several weeks. If you need an extra mask, they are still available in the Compliance Office.

### FRONT DESK AREA

Please remember that residents are not to congregate at the front desk. Especially during this pandemic, six feet social distancing is very important. Residents should stay behind the barrier and not lean on the desk.

### FRONT ENTRANCE GARDEN AREA

Due to the continued excessive heat, we will continue to lift the no drinking ban for the garden area. This will be for non-acholic beverages only.

### PACKAGE STICKERS

Please remember to remove your package sticker from your mailbox when you pick up any package from the front desk. It is causing a lot of confusion when you do not remove the sticky note.

### LAUNDRY CARTS

**E VIEW FROM** 

The laundry carts are for use in the laundry room only. The carts are not to be removed and taken to your apartment.

### TRASH CHUTE

As stated in the Rules and Regulations, trash is not to be put down the trash chute after 10pm daily. Please be considerate of your neighbors and wait until the next day to take your trash to the trash room. Please do not leave any trash on the floor in the trash room.

### NON-SMOKING POLICY

We have a nonsmoking policy at the Front Entrance; you can smoke on the Centre Street Side of the building. I appreciate how everyone has continued to follow our policy; it makes such a difference when walking in and out of the building. Thank you!

"August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time."

— Sylvia Plath, <u>The</u> <u>Unabridged Journals</u> <u>of Sylvia Plath</u>





# REMEMBRANCE

### Thought for the Week...

Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start...

~ Nido Qubein





Happiness comes when we stop complaining about the troubles we have and offer thanks for all the troubles we don't have.

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## **MARYLAND FOOD BANK**

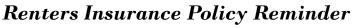
# **Reminder:**

The Maryland food bank requires all residents to present their Maryland State ID before any food is distributed.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT AT THE RESIDENT SERVICE COORDINATOR'S OFFICE IT IS MAN-DATORY!! SOCIAL

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THE CORONA VIRUS IS REAL AND WE STILL NEED TO PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING.

# **JENNIFER COCO, COMPLIANCE MANAGER UPDATE**





DISTANCING

## This policy can be found in your Building Rules and Regulations Addendum Item # 13

"Resident agrees that Landlord shall not be liable for theft, damages or destruction of personal property or any bodily injury or death to Resident or any person whomsoever, unless the same is caused by the negligence or other misconduct of the Management. (It will be the responsibility of the Resident to obtain renters insurance to protect their personal property.)"

Renters insurance is one of the most valuable and overlooked pieces of financial protection available to renters. Residents at Westminster House Apartments are strongly encouraged to maintain individual Renters Insurance. A comprehensive policy could cover costs to replace your personal belongings; Like your furniture, electronics, computer equipment, your clothes, jewelry and appliances. Basic renters insurance could reimburse you for the loss of property (up to your policy's coverage limit) if destroyed, damaged, lost or stolen in many

different events (\*\*Based on coverage of your specific policy). A few examples of Insurance Providers in our area are Allstate, Erie, Geico, Progressive and State Farm. Discounts are frequently offered if you already have an existing insurance policy with the carrier. Please see Olivia Iyalla if you need additional assistance with reviewing or purchasing Renters Insurance.

-Jennifer Coco-

## **Resident Services, Olivia I. Iyalla,**

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. Please remember to stay hydrated.



We are a family at Westminster House Apartments so be Kind and Love Thy Neighbor.



### FARMERS MARKET COUPONS



The Farmers Market Coupons are out and will be distributed in the month of August. Coupons are good

until November 2020.

### QUALIFICATION

Be age 60

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- Show proof of Age
- City Resident
- Meet the income guidelines of less than \$2,000 per month
- Proof of income



Balti-Market

Please keep in mind that all orders forms must be turned in by 4:00 pm on Tuesdays. Any orders turned in after the designated time will <u>not be</u> submitted. For individuals who places their own orders, remember it can only be placed on–line on Wednesdays.

### **Resident Services**

### FINAL CALL

### 2020 Renter's Tax Credit Refund

Please keep in mind that August is the last month to submit applications for Renter's Tax Credit Refund. If eligible, September 1, 2020 is the deadline to file. Eligible participants will need the following documents to file for a refund.

1. <u>2019</u> Award letter, 1099, W2, or Income Statement

2. 2019 Lease Agreement

- 3. Social Security Card
- 4. Picture ID

Individuals who need assistance with completing their applications can see me in my office.



-Olivia Iyalla-

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Please review your information for who you have listed as an Emergency Contact. It is imperative that you keep this information up to date. In the event something happens, we must know who to contact to advise them that you are having a crisis.



## **RSC UPCOMING**

 8/4
 Walmart Trip
 12:00 pm

 8/11
 Md. Food Bank
 2:00 pm

### AUGUST 2020 ISSUE



Westminster House Apartments 524 N. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201 (In Historic Mount Vernon)

Phone: 410-837-0180 Fax: 410-685-4991 Website: www.westminsterhouseapts.org

## **AUGUST'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

- Herbert Carrington James Wilson Jennifer Parker Diane Abdur-Rahman Bobby Hall Jackie Taylor Delliah Dickens Trenace Royster James Thomas Martin Ertz George Bailey Carl Pitkevits, III
- Diane Powell Donnetta LeGrande Katherine Greene Larry Leiby Frank Speller Blondell Belle Kathryn Fitzsimmons Leroy Prince Debra Miller Michael Caroll Sarah LeVine



If your name is not listed above, please forgive us as we try to update our listing....we sincerely wish you have a very Happy Birthday. Also!!!, please advise us if you do not want your name included in future newsletters.

SICK AND SHUT Ins Please make sure you appeal to these individuals. For we are all members of Westminster House and we are family.

Compassionate condolences are extended to all the family and friends of those we lost recently.

# **Maintenance** News

# **Bulk Trash Removal**

Maintenance will no longer remove bulk trash items from your apartment. If you have bulk items that you need removed; please contact a family member; or you can contact our bulk removal contractor directly. The Maintenance Department can give you the contact information. Please do not put bulk items in the trash rooms. We will review the cameras and you will be billed for any removal charges.

Boxes are not to be put into the trash chute. Please break them down and put them in the trash room. This is the ONLY trash that can be left on the floor. The trash chute is being jammed by boxes that get caught on the way to the compactor.

Maintenance will no longer be giving supplies or lending tools to residents. Supplies include trash bags, paper towels or trash bags. Please make other arrangements for these items.

Any concerns, please speak with Jeffrey Knox, the Maintenance Supervisor.

-Jeffrey Knox-