



## Fitzgerald Housing Authority Monthly Newsletter

*October 2024 Edition*

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### **Message from the Director**

Dear Residents,

As we embrace the change of seasons, I want to take a moment to reflect on our achievements and the path ahead. This past month has been filled with incredible initiatives that demonstrate our commitment to our mission and the community we serve.

I'm continually inspired by your dedication and innovation. Whether through collaborative projects, volunteer efforts, or simply supporting one another, your hard work does not go unnoticed. Let's keep this momentum going as we move into the next phase of our plans.

Looking forward to it, we have exciting opportunities on the horizon. Your input and engagement will be crucial as we embark on these projects together.

Thank you for your unwavering passion and commitment. Let's continue to make a difference!

Sincerely,

Dr. Lemond Hall

Executive Director, Fitzgerald Housing Authority

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## Upcoming Events

### Resident's Appreciation Day

Date: October 19, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: All Units

Resident Appreciation Day is a meaningful way to create a positive environment and enhance the sense of community among residents.

### Resident Advisory Board Meeting

Date: October 30, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Location: Community Center

This month's meeting will continue to engage residents in discussions about their community, housing policies, and overall quality of life. Your attendance is highly encouraged as we will also discuss important updates regarding community policies.

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## Announcements

### Policy Reminder: Lease Compliance

We remind all residents to adhere to the terms of your lease agreements. This includes restrictions on smoking in units, unauthorized occupants, and maintaining unit cleanliness. If you have any questions regarding your lease, please contact the office.

### Resident Portal Forthcoming!

We are pleased to announce that we will launch our new Resident Portal soon. You will be able to pay rent online, submit maintenance requests, and access important documents. We will notify all residents when it is up and running. Your patience is greatly appreciated as we continue the process.

### After School Program

We are proud to offer an After School Program at the R.E. Barfield Learning Center from 4:00PM - 6:00 PM, located at 123 South Marion Avenue, Fitzgerald, GA 31750. This program is available every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to support our residents by providing tutoring in reading and math. Our dedicated tutors work closely with students to enhance their academic skills, making a positive impact within our housing community.



### **Resident Spotlight**

This month, we shine a spotlight on all the residents, whose contributions and spirit truly enrich our community.

As we reflect on our journey together, we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for each of you. Your presence and participation create the vibrant community we all cherish.

Thank you for your resilience, your engagement in community activities, and the kindness you extend to one another. Your contributions—big and small—make a significant impact, fostering a welcoming and supportive environment.

We appreciate your feedback, enthusiasm, and the spirit of togetherness you bring to our housing community. It's your unique stories and experiences that enrich our lives and help us grow.

Thank you for being an essential part of our community!

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### **Breast Cancer Awareness**



Breast cancer awareness is crucial for early detection, effective treatment, and support for those affected. By promoting education about risk factors, screening options, and healthy lifestyle choices, we empower individuals to take charge of their health. Together, we can break the stigma, share stories of resilience, and foster a community of support that makes a difference in the fight against breast cancer. Let's stand together to spread awareness, honor survivors, and remember those we've lost.

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### **Safety Corner**

#### **Fire Safety Tips**

- Check your smoke detectors regularly and replace batteries as needed.
  - Avoid using space heaters or overloaded extension cords.
  - Keep exits clear of clutter to ensure a safe and easy escape in case of an emergency.
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## **Maintenance Updates**

### **Pest Control Services**

Pest control will be on-site every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Please ensure your units are ready by clearing under sinks and storing food properly. Contact the office if you have any specific concerns.

### **Landscaping Schedule**

Our landscaping team will be working on the grounds monthly or biweekly as needed. Please ensure your front and back porch areas are free of items to allow for proper maintenance.

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## **Resident Resources**

Need assistance? We're here to help.

- **Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday 7:45 AM - 5:30 PM & Friday 7:45 AM – 12:45 PM
  - **Contact Us:** (229) 423-3755
  - **Emergency Maintenance:** Call (229) 457-5045 after hours for urgent issues.
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## **Website**

[housingauthorityfitz.com](http://housingauthorityfitz.com)

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Thank you for being a valued part of the Fitzgerald Housing Authority community!

**NOTE: Rent is due on the 1st and late after the 5th for Public Housing.**

Youth Giveaway – September 30, 2024 (Pictures)

